

He sendeth His word

and healeth them.

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PATIENCE

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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CALLED, CHOSEN, FAITHFUL

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"They that are with Him are Called, and Chosen, and Faithful."—Revelation 17:14. ✓ 38
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THREE simple words which every one can understand are here given as the pre-requisites of followers of the King of kings and Lord of lords. The King of kings and Lord of lords, Who, when the storm of human fury and rage has finally dashed itself out upon the rocks of God's eternal purposes, will at last reign upon the earth and bring about that benign and happy condition for which humanity has been longing and sighing ever since Adam and Eve were driven out of the Garden of Eden because of sin.

This King of kings and Lord of lords is the same one Who has loved us and washed us from our sins in His Own blood and has called us to be a Kingdom of Priests unto our God and Father.

The same One Who has prevailed over all the taunts of demons and men, crushing humiliation, and fearful suffering, the cross, the grave, and all the powers of hell, to open the book and loose the seven seals thereof.

Behold, He cometh with clouds and every eye shall see Him and all the people who are upon the earth shall wail because they have not obeyed Him.

What, then, will it mean for us to be partakers in the RAPTURE? To be caught up to meet the Lord in the air; then return with The Christ to earth, escaping the tribulation, and to stand with Him on Mt. ZION, after which to rule and reign with Him for a thousand years.

May God sweep back the clouds of sin or unbelief which obscure our spiritual sight, and give us a clear vision of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, a glimpse of that most wonderful and glorious sight which words are inadequate to express or thoughts to conceive; that our hearts may be stimulated to high aspirations and noble ideals, that we may endure as seeing Him Who is invisible.

"WHERE THERE IS NO VISION, THE PEOPLE PERISH."

Enoch saw something of this, as did Abraham, Job, Elisha at Dothan, Isaiah, Daniel, and also Peter and John on the Mount of Transfiguration, Stephen, the martyr; and, again, John on the Isle of Patmos. In fact, all of God's true saints have seen this vision of the coming KINGDOM OF GOD, and have been strengthened by it to go through trials and persecutions, and suffer martyrdom and death for its realization.

"Every man that hath this hope in Him purifieth himself even as He is pure."—1 John 3:3.

It is this expectant hope, this wonderful vision of ZION's coming King that God is calling men and women to perceive to-day.

ZION believes in the Divine call of God.

ZION believes that every one who receives the call of God knows it, being led by the Holy Spirit.

That is the call which brought men and women from the shores of distant climes: from Europe, Asia, Africa, Australasia, and all parts of the United States and Canada. From the Store, the Blacksmith Shop, the Farm, the Counting House, the Printing House, they have been called to use their time, talents and money to build up ZION.

This call has converted saloon-keepers into faithful officers in ZION and consecrated followers of the Lord Jesus the Christ.

It has transformed the outcasts and habitues of saloons and pool-rooms into respected citizens and valuable business men. It has transformed thieves into honest workers.

THE CALL OF GOD HAS GONE FORTH FROM ZION

Many who have suffered many things of many physicians and were nothing better, but rather grew worse, have arisen from their beds at this call of God and have become strong in the Lord and the power of His might, and are now working joyfully for Him.

It is the same call that Peter and Andrew received on the beautiful shores of the Sea of Galilee, which caused them to forsake their boats and fishing nets; the same call which caused Matthew to leave the Receipt of Custom to follow Him.

There are many other calls, and men will go through hardship and endure all kind of suffering and privation to follow these calls.

Men will endure the intense cold and storms of the Alaskan interior, live on frozen food, and many times sacrifice their lives at the call of God; but no King of kings and Lord of lords awaits them.

Men will bid their loved ones good-bye, leave their homes and friends, shoulder their rifles, live in the trenches in mud up to their knees, amid a rain of shot and shell and a cloud of deadly gases, and at last be blown into fragments, at the call of Country; but no King of kings and Lord of lords is behind this call for He said, "He that taketh the sword shall perish with the sword."

There is the call of Fame.

There is the call of the Land.

There is the call of the Sea.

In short, there is the call of the world, the flesh, and the devil.

But none of these can compare to the call of God. God's call is to the cross here, but to the crown hereafter.

God is still calling for all Christians to come out of the apostate churches, where Christianity is made a mockery, and the true and tried Children of God are driven to the wall. He is calling them to come into ZION.

None other than Christians, or those who desire to become Christians, need apply; for it takes men and women of Christian character, who have the grace to repent, and confess their sins, and live the consecrated Christian life, to be among those who shall stand with the Lamb on Mount ZION, when the nations and kingdoms of earth go down in a clash of arms — garments rolled in blood — and the most horrible confusion this world has ever seen, or ever will see again.

God is calling men and women everywhere, to come to ZION, and to be partakers of the first resurrection, over which the second death hath no power.

THOSE REFUSING THE DIVINE CALL WILL SUFFER

How long this call will continue to be given, is hard to say, but there will come a time soon — perhaps sooner than we anticipate — when God the Almighty will say, "There shall be time no longer." Then the many foolish ones, as they see the great tribulation upon the earth, will beat their breasts and gnash their teeth, and say, "Lord! Lord! open to us." But it will be too late!

God is calling you, my brother, my sister, to shoulder your cross and come into ZION, with all your talents, to be used for the extension of His KINGDOM. You cannot afford to neglect this call, for the day is far spent, the night is at hand — the night shadows having already begun to fall. And it will be the darkest night this world has ever yet experienced!

Even now the advance guards of God's judgments have struck the earth, and men and women are being made to fear and tremble. The Great Day of God Almighty's wrath, for the sins of earth, is near.

MANY REGRET REFUSING THE CALL OF GOD FROM ZION

The day will come when you will say, "Would to God we had sold our property, and gone to ZION; for now the destruction has come, and we are without, and cannot get to ZION." Many today are saying it — many whose property has been destroyed by war, and who are suffering from all its horrible consequences.

They are crying, "Oh that we had heeded the call when the voice of God's servant, John Alexander Dowie, Elijah the Restorer, commanded us to come out of the world into ZION! but now, it's too late, we're compelled to remain outside."

Conditions are not going to improve, but will get worse and worse, until ZION's King shall come, Whose right it is to rule this world. The preachers and lecturers who have been crying, "Peace, peace", "The world is growing better", are fools, according to God's Word.

ZION has been established by God, as a place of refuge for the afflicted of His people. And — let us make no mistake — when ZION is built up, Jesus the Christ, King of kings, and Lord of lords, will appear in His glory.

Many have heard God's call to come to ZION, and have brought all their talents and have laid them upon the altar for God; and great things have been accomplished by God's chosen leader, through God's blessing. The present unfolds new glories day by day, and the future is pregnant with blessing, and bright with hope and prosperity.

He who has heard the call to come to ZION, and who desires to obey God, will not lightly esteem it, but will come, burning all bridges behind him. There will be no strings holding him back to the old homestead — they will all be severed, and all talents will be brought into ZION, and used to aid in the preparation for her King.

He who has heard this call will withdraw his money from worldly institutions, and invest it in ZION's institutions, where it will be used in manufacturing things of which God approves, where God fearing men and women are employed, and where God is worshipped, His praises sung, and His protection and guidance asked for before each day's work.

God knows all about that property of yours, which is being rented to a man who is raising hogs upon it — the filthy hog,

which God has condemned, and which causes cancer, scrofula and other terrible diseases. He knows all about that bank account of yours, which is being loaned to saloon keepers, brewers, and hog raisers. Do not think you are guiltless. "Be sure your sin will find you out."

My brother or sister, you cannot run away from God's call if you have ZION in your heart. Like Jonah you may try, and you may flee to Canada, England, Australia, or some other part of the world, but God will bring you back from thence, even if He has to charter a whale and give you a steerage passage in the whale's belly, and land you with a vomit. But it is much more comfortable to ride in a Pullman sleeper, or a first class cabin — at least, Jonah seemed to think so.

You may think you are hidden safely in some remote part of the earth, but this earth is God's garden, and, although you may hide behind some apostate church tree, or a Masonic lodge tree, you will hear God's voice calling, "Adam! where art thou?"

The call to ZION is the last call, and when God shall cease to call, the door will be shut; and then the night will settle down.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE CHOSEN

"They that are with Him are Called, Chosen."

"Many are called, but few are chosen."—Matthew 22:14.

Many were called in the days of Noah. He preached for one hundred and twenty years, but only eight were chosen to escape the deluge.

Many were called in the days of Jesus, but few were chosen to escape the fire and sword of the Romans, who laid desolate the land of Judah, and destroyed Jerusalem.

God, through ZION, has been sounding the call for many years, and it has reached all parts of the earth. Millions and millions have heard the call, but few have been chosen to come to ZION. Many who came, like Peter, returned, saying, "I go a fishing," and others have said, "We go also."

These, when the final count is made up, will be obliged to say, "We have toiled all night, and have taken nothing." How can they be chosen unless they, like Peter, repent, and God renews their vision of ZION, and they again take up their cross and follow Him.

The blind man, whom Jesus had sent to the Pool of Siloam and healed, when the scribes and Pharisees tried their utmost, under the inspiration of the Devil, to shake his faith, drew his conclusions from one fact which he learned, and of which he was sure, and was determined not to lose. He said to them, "One thing I know, whereas I was blind, now I see."—John 9:25.

So if we in ZION *know* that God called us into ZION, and gave us our sight, so that we now see THE KINGDOM OF GOD, by building upon this truth, we can make our calling and election sure; but if the devil, through the modern scribes and Pharisees, can undermine this truth, then we are at sea without a rudder.

Peter tells us that we are a royal priesthood, a chosen generation.

In order to be among those chosen ones, who are with Him, it is not necessary to be rich or have great learning; for it is written that God hath chosen the poor of this world, who are rich in faith, to be heirs of THE KINGDOM, and the foolish things to confound the wise.

Jesus said, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you," and, again, "I have chosen you out of the world." They who are chosen, are not tangled up in the things of the world; and ZION is to be a separate people, a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE FAITHFUL

"They that are with Him are Called, Chosen, Faithful."

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life," said He Who shall stand on Mount ZION, with the Called and Chosen. "He that endureth unto the end, the same shall be saved."—Matthew 24:13.

To a very large extent our faithfulness will depend upon our call into ZION. If we believe that this was truly a call of God, we will not let anything turn us aside, but will ever keep this fact steadily before us.

Realizing this call was of God, the significance of it will continue to grow as time goes on, and it will stimulate our hearts to continue zealous and faithful, in the daily studying of God's Word, private prayer, in family worship, and in paying our debts to God and man. Our debts to God, of praise and adoration and

worship, of tithes and offerings; and to man, of loving kindness and tender mercies.

Faithfulness will extend to the attending of worship in God's house, and being there on time, and to many other things, which will be learned as a result of doing the aforementioned. Not because we are coerced, but because we want to do and be what is right, and not grieve the Holy Spirit of God. The man or woman who does not do these things, cannot be called faithful.

Faithfulness means full of faith, and faith without works is dead; therefore, they who follow Him are a people who work at following Jesus the Christ.

"Make your calling and election sure," which means faithfulness to the end.

As we must be faithful in handling pennies, before we can be trusted to handle dollars, so we must be faithful in the small things of God, or He will never trust us with the great things of His KINGDOM.

He that is faithful in that which is least will be faithful also in much, and vice versa.

To those who have been faithful, when they shall stand at the last — when the last roll call is taken — shall be said these words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."—Matthew 25:21.

And they shall stand as those who follow Him, being Called, Chosen, Faithful.

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Gottes Weg der Heilung.

Rev. John Alex. Dowie.

Gottes Weg der Heilung ist eine Person und nicht eine Sache.

Jesus sagte: „Ich bin der Weg, die Wahrheit und das Leben,“ und durch alle Jahrhunderte hindurch hat Er sich stets durch den Bundes-Namen geoffenbart, Jehovah-Kophi oder „Ich bin der Herr, der dich heilt.“ (Joh. 14, 6. 2. Mos. 15. 26.)

Der Herr Jesus Christus ist noch heute unser Arzt.

Er kann sich nicht verändern, denn „Er ist derselbe, gestern, heute und in Ewigkeit.“ Er ist noch bei uns, denn Er sagt „Siehe, Ich bin bei euch alle Tage bis an der Welt Ende“ (Hebr. 13, 8. Matth. 28, 20.) Weil Er unveränderlich ist, und weil Er anwesend ist im Geiste, gerade wie damals im Fleische, deshalb ist Er der Arzt Seines Volkes.

Göttliche Heilung beruht auf Christi Veröhnung.

Es war von Ihm profetisiert worden: „Fürwahr, Er trug unsere Krankheit und lud auf sich unsere Schmerzen,—und durch Seine Wunden sind wir geheilt.“ Es heißt ausdrücklich, daß die Profetisierung in Seinem Heilungswirken in Erfüllung ging, und immerwährend fortbesteht. (Jesaja 53, 4, 5. Matth. 8, 17.)

Krankheit kann niemals Gottes Wille sein.

Sie ist des Satans Werk, die Folge der Sünde und es ist nicht möglich, daß ein Werk Satans je Gottes Wille ist. Christus kam „die Werke des Teufels zu zerstören“ und, als Er hier auf Erden war, „heilte Er allerlei Seuche und Krankheit“ und es heißt ausdrücklich, daß alle diese Krankheiten „Ueberwältigungen des Teufels“ waren. (1 Joh. 3, 8. Matth. 4, 23. Apost. 10, 38.)

Die Gaben der Heilung sind fortdauernd.

Es heißt ausdrücklich „Gottes Gaben und Berufung mögen Ihn nicht gereuen,“ und die Gaben der Heilung sind unter den neun Gaben des Geistes für die Kirche. (Röm. 11, 29. 1 Cor. 12, 8—11.)

Es giebt vier Arten der göttlichen Heilung.

Die erste Art ist das direkte Gebet des Glaubens, die zweite ist das vermittelnde Gebet von zwei oder mehr Personen, die dritte ist die Salbung durch die Ältesten, vereint mit Glaubensgebet. Die vierte Art ist die Handauflegung Derjenigen, welche glauben und die Gott zu diesem Amte vorbereitet und berufen hat. (Matth. 8, 5—13. 18. 19. Jac. 5, 14. 15. Marc. 16, 18.)

Göttliche Heilung wird von teuflischen Verfälschern bestritten.

Unter diesen befinden sich die fälschlich sogenannte Christliche Wissenschaft (Christian Science), Geist-Heilung (Mental Science), Spiritismus, Entzündungs-Evangelismus, u. s. w. (1 Tim. 6, 20. 21, 4, 1. 2. Jhes. 51, 22. 23.)

Tausende sind durch den Glauben an Jesus geheilt worden.

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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus Name

EDITORIAL NOTES

By Apostle Francis M. Royall

"YE HAVE COME to mount ZION, and to the City of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem,—to the general assembly and Church of the first-born, who are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect; and to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant."—Hebrews 12:22-24.

THE ORGANIZATION of the Old Testament Priesthood, instituted by God Himself, had to be destroyed; it had to be swept away, for it had gone to the devil. The priests had become shrewd politicians and their hearts were defiled and they had defiled the Holy Temple of God.

IT ALL HAD TO BE swept away to make room for the Church which the Son of God Himself had established upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone. It was a very bold act when He, Who had grown up among other children, came to the place when the declaration must be made, and declared Himself to be the Son of God, the long looked for and promised Messiah.

THE WORLD had been without a prophet for centuries, the strong powerful teaching commanding Repentance had almost ceased from the earth. "YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN,"—REGENERATION, was forgotten except in isolated cases.

VERY UNEXPECTEDLY one day a man stood up and declared that God had called him to be the Messenger of His Covenant.—A new spirit, a new life, and a new strength had come into this special Messenger and this Messenger of the Covenant was also Elijah the Restorer.

THE WHOLE WORLD laughed and scoffed. The next day they took down their Bibles and found out that it was true that before the Lord could come that Elijah indeed must come and begin the Restoration. Then they asked, what is he to do? They found out upon investigation, that he was to be "a swift witness against the sorcerers (makers and venders of deadly drugs) and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those who oppress the

hireling in his wages, the widow and the fatherless."—Malachi 3:5.

He said "I take my commission from no church." Elijah had no church to give him his commission. The church had gone to the devil. The priests of God were offering sacrifices in the groves and were priests of Baal.

JOHN THE BAPTIST received his commission from no church. Leaders of Judaism were a seething mass of hypocrisy. And they proved that the devil was in control when they procured the murder of the Son of God. Elijah said:—"I take my commission from God." It made people angry. They were seething mad.

THE CHRISTIAN Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION proclaims that the Eternal God the Father, sent His Son, dwelt in His Son by the Spirit, clothed Him with power which made Him to triumph over Satan and sin and disease and death and hell. It proclaims that Jesus only is "the Way, the Truth and the Life." No man cometh unto the Father but by the Son of God, and unless you see Him as the Son of God you are yet in your sins, and will die in them and will go to hell in them.

I HEARD a congressman say quite recently, "I am first, last and always an American." I say that I am first, last and always a citizen of THE KINGDOM OF GOD. I acknowledge Jesus First, Last and Always as Savior, Healer, Cleanser, Keeper, Guide, and Ruler—King with absolute authority. We recognize Him as supreme authority. It must be all the time. We must recognize Him every day in the week, and twenty four hours in the day. God has laid in ZION Christ as the foundation Stone. There is none other.

I CAN SEE the tense features of the face of John Alexander Dowie—Elijah the Restorer—when he said, "I have no sympathy with the polygamy of heathenism, or the polygamy of Mohammedanism or the polygamy of Mormonism. Polygamy is a most shameful infamy. Polygamy lowers the character of man. When a man becomes a husband to more than one woman he becomes a coward and a brute." And he continued, "If polygamy is bad, what about this promiscuous harlotry and fornication that we have. Bad as is polygamy, the Mohammedans, the Mormons and even the Heathen demand that a man shall take care of his offspring."

HE CRIED OUT, "Help me O God to tear from the faces of these Hypocritical wretches the mask which hides them and to show them in their true nakedness. The adulterers,

the wretches, steeped in vice wallow like swine in the very depths of immorality. To the shame of men there are thousands upon thousands of immoral women. If we are to have the Restoration of All things we must go back to the monogamic marriage. The man or woman who lives in harlotry must be punished!

HE SAID, "Animals will take care of their offspring; but those who hunt for flesh, destroying and deceiving women care nothing for their bastard offspring who become a curse and a menace to society and to the church and THE KINGDOM OF GOD. If I should find the fathers of many poor waifs, I doubtless would find them in high social and even ecclesiastical positions. What a shame for you to bring into the world a being who is left to Chance, to Charity, and to Crime, no father, perhaps, no mother, owning him."

EVERY ONE of his words had a lance, had a sharp sword in it, every word was filled with holy dynamic power. ZION was brought into existence by God through His servant and prophet Elijah the Restorer. ZION'S Banner has been unfurled and today she proclaims the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD and commands all people everywhere to Repent and to get right with God and man. The world is filled with religions of one kind and another.

IT IS A VERY sad fact that the greater part of the population of the world is made up of Heathen, Mohammedans, Idolaters or Rejecters of the Christ in one form or another, whether it is Brahmanism, or Confucianism, or the little petty, miserable antichristian systems of Theosophy and that antichristian Imposture falsely called Christian Science. All of these are forms of Philosophy that are attractive to the ear and desolating to the heart and will land their believers in Hell.

The times of the Nations are fulfilled They have all utterly failed in their forms of government. Romanism has failed, it has debauched the people of every land. It is sending people to hell every day. The Greek church is apostate to the core. The priests are dissolute and lustful. Protestantism has failed for the most part. The churches are filled with unconverted, pleasure loving, theatre going, card playing, hell bound people.

ONE OF THE MOST wonderful facts in modern times is that thousands of people from various walks in life were called to come and build ZION CITY, a City for God. A City of Righteousness where God should be praised and worshipped and where honest business should be carried on and where God should be Supreme. Thanks be to God, ZION CITY is a reality, and is being redeemed for the Glory of God.

THE QUESTION is often asked; How shall I live so as to make the most of my life and put it to the best use? Life is opportunity. Do you live in some great city, with its life of noise and haste and do you desire to know the thoughts of God, of purity, and have you high resolves, and do you wish to do something for God and you do not know just how to begin? Are you tired and weary of the world and its ways and do you desire to know the secrets of life and the mysteries of God?

HAVE YOU REALIZED that higher things must be done than you have as yet done and are you still unsettled as to how you shall invest your time, your brains and your earnings, your money so as to accomplish the most good for God and for humanity? Have you sought to be a hero or heroine, your aim and purpose being to glorify God? Let me say:—Now is the day of Salvation and the Day of Doom for Selfishness. In the Name of the Most High God, do something for God and for the Human family. Communicate at once with ZION at Headquarters in ZION CITY, Illinois, and make known your desires. God is leading you and blessings will follow.

HAS LIFE BEEN a great mystery to you? And are you still wondering what it is all about? Why this mad rush after gold? Only yesterday a man said to me I have been away from my family for years trying to sell my land, so I can go home and settle down and live a quiet life. At that time he was over seventy years of age and, some one said, had "pots" of money. Today his land lies there to be used by others and he only has six feet of earth in the cemetery.

LIFE IS FULL of beauty and full of that which is hideous. And you can choose what is good or what is evil. And if you prefer darkness to light, lies instead of truth, hatred instead of love, war instead of peace, worldly pleasure instead of real joy, you do not lack occasions. But if you are filled with God you will hate sin and love the sinner. You will hate disease and love the sufferer. You will hate evil and love the evildoer. You will hate idleness and love work.

GREED HAS LED to this world-wide struggle, so cruel that it is impossible to describe it. Greed makes criminals and fills the jails and work houses and takes away the liberties of humanity. Greed causes nations to spend millions in armies to protect themselves from one another. Greed causes helpless millions to suffer and to be massacred. Greed has caused the nations to go mad with lust for conquest and lust for gold and lust for power. Greed causes civilized

man to act worse than savages in the lands of cannibals or tyrants.

ZION AND ZION CITY is but a name for Opportunity for you today. Have you come to see that the worst misfortune is not to have Faith in God and man, and to have no self-respect nor desire for what is great and good and wise and noble? Do you realize that you partake in a certain measure of the nature of God, the Eternal Being and that Faith in Him means all that there is to Life? Have you thus far thrown away your life and committed a great crime thereby? Are you weary of everything? Are you weary of labor and of rest, of pleasure and of success, do you weary of the company of friends and of your own company too?

HAVE THE SENSUAL thoughts and desires which you have entertained come to be a great burden and a blight to you and do you long for real rest? God is the Giver of Life. If you will turn wholly to Him, then you need not be filled with apprehension.

THE PURPOSE of ZION is to unfold God's Love and to call people to Repentance and to show to the world the erroneous teaching and hypocrisy in the world. God has always called and prepared His Messengers to proclaim at the proper time the message given by Himself. And ZION says today that the churches are apostate and filled with the world, that they have failed to carry out the commission of the Lord Jesus the Christ. While there are multitudes of people in these churches who have not bowed the knee to Baal, they are oppressed and deceived by their leaders.

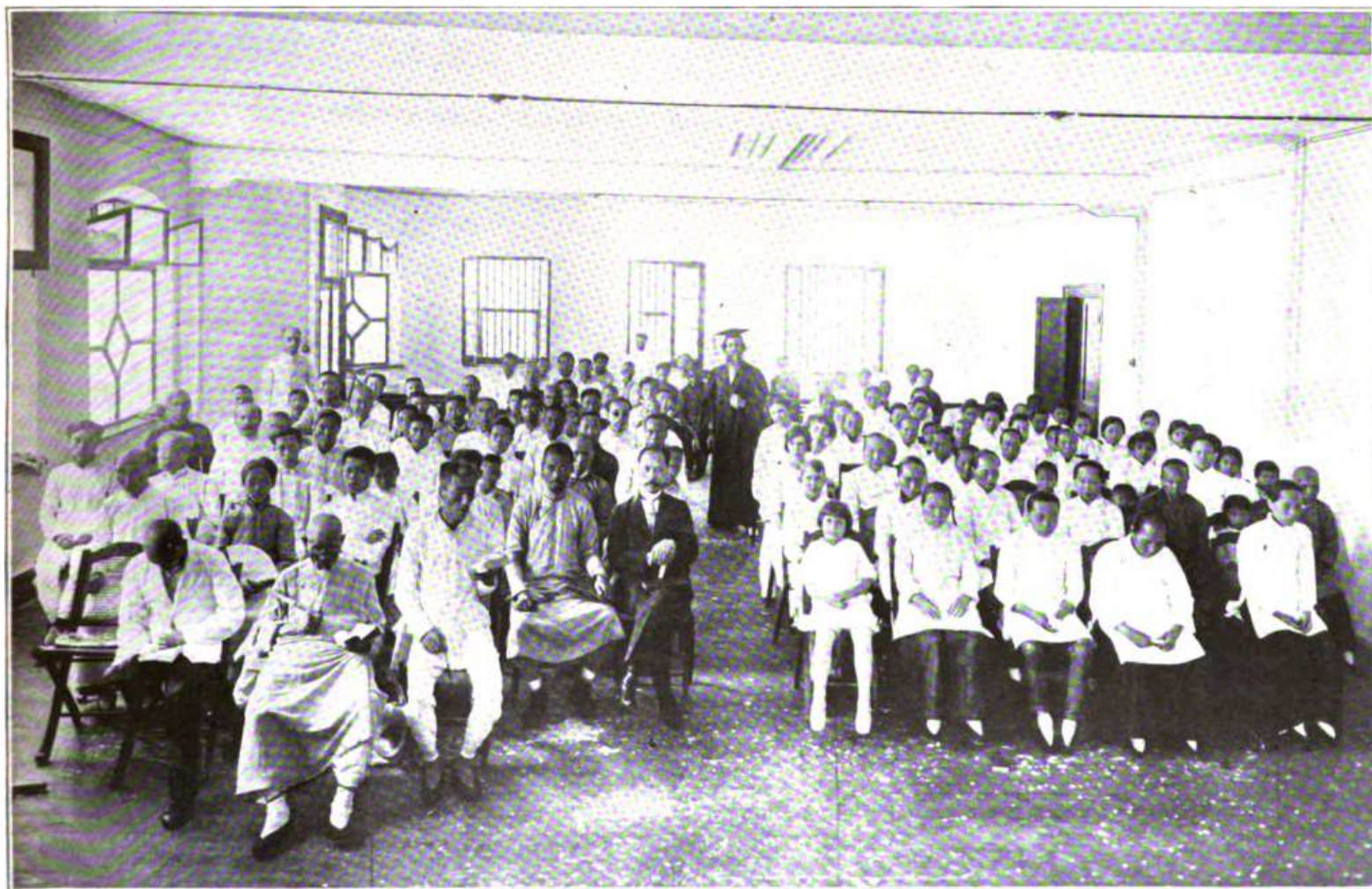
TO BEGGARS, to Fisherman and Shepherds the Great Master spoke the words which still resound throughout the ages and still awaken hearts that were dead, with echoes from another world. He says throw yourself resolutely with perseverance into His Way and you will find Rest for your weary, sin-sick and disease-smitten self. Do you feel the pulsings of the world that is weary with its own ways and knows nothing of sympathy? Have Faith in God. Have Divine Love. Have Pity for All. Have Hope in God.

OUR GOD is a Consuming Fire. Oh God, let all Evil be destroyed and let THY KINGDOM be established, which means that God must rule. The Christ must "reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet."—I Corinthians 15:25.

Faith, Love, Hope, and Charity grow in hearts given wholly to God.



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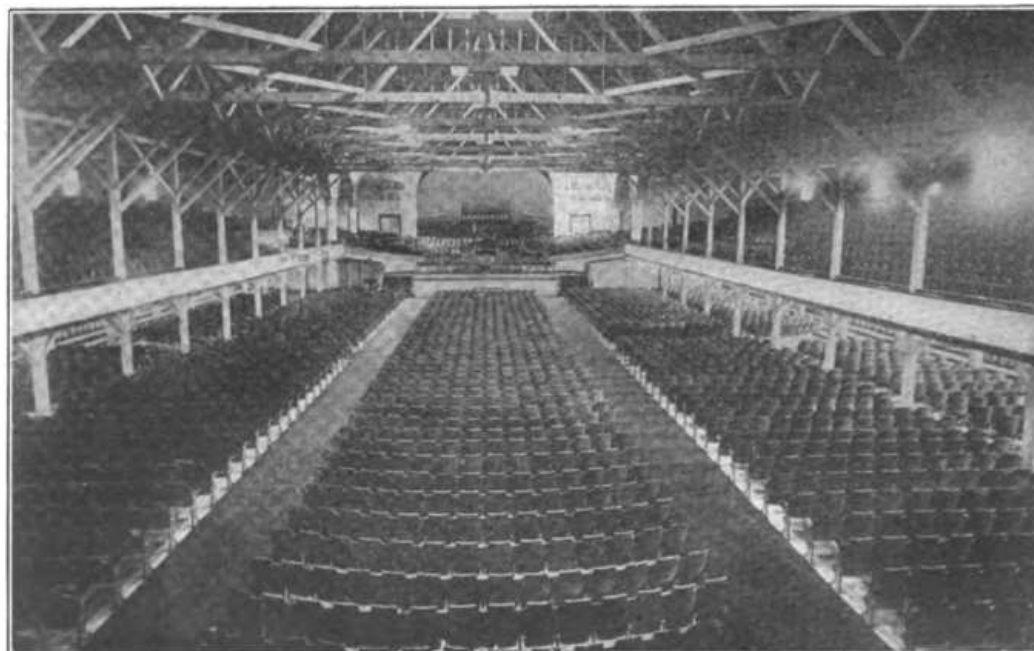
A SCHOOL IN SHANGHAI, CHINA UNDER ZION SUPERVISION.
DEACON GONSI S. HONG, Principal.

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in
SHILOH TABERNACLE, ZION CITY,
ILLINOIS

BY
Wilbur Glenn Voliva
General Overseer of the Christian Catholic
Apostolic Church in Zion

ASSISTED BY
Apostle Eustace L. Carey, Apostle Anton Darms
and Apostle Wm. S. Peckham



From the Evening of Wednesday, July 5th, to the Evening of Lord's Day, July 16th, 1916

Important Items

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

The Sixteenth Anniversary of the Consecration of the Site of Zion Temple.
Public Holiday in Zion City.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

The City Festal Day.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH

2:30 p. m.

Full Processional and Recessional.
Address by the General Overseer.
Sacrificial Offering.
Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.
The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper.
Closing Address of the Feast.

Prophetic Utterances, From the Word of God, Concerning The Time of the End

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

"Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

"Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth."—I Timothy 4:1-3.

"I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

"And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables."—II Timothy 4:1-4.

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

"And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

"And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

"For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

"And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

"And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

"And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:

"(For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds:)

"The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptation and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

"But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

"Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.

"But these, as natural brute beasts made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

"And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;

"Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: a heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:

"Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

"But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbade the madness of the prophet.

"These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

"For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error.

"While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the

servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

"For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

"For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

"But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire."—II Peter 2nd Chapter.

"This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

"That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

"Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

"And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

"For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

"Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

"But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

"But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

"Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

"Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

"Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

"Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

"And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation: even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

"As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

"Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."—II Peter 3rd Chapter.

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The Christian Running the Heavenly Race

Report of the Lord's Day Afternoon Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., December 5, 1915, Address by Apostle Wm. S. Peckham.

Reported by E. I. Carey

PROCESSIONAL by the Zion White-robed Choir: "GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN."

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He Whose word cannot be broken,
Form'd thee for His Own abode;
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters
Springing from eternal love
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, while such a river
Ever flows their thirst t'assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the Giver,
Never falls from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring,
Showing that the Lord is near;
Thus deriving from their banner,
Light by night, and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna
Which He gives them when they pray.

Blest inhabitants of Zion,
Wash'd in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, Whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis His love His people raises
Over self to reign as kings:
And as priests, His solemn praises
Each for a thankoffering brings.

The congregation then remained standing while the Senior Choir sang the DOXOLOGY:

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

INVOCATION by APOSTLE PECKHAM.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause Thy face to shine upon us, that Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy Saving Health among the nations; for the Sake of Jesus. Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let us praise God in the use of Hymn No. 730 — "O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING."

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My Great Redeemer's praise;
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.

My Gracious Master, and my God,
Assist me to proclaim, —
To spread, thro' all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy Name.

Jesus! — the Name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinners' ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of cancell'd sin,
He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood avail'd for me.

ANTHEM by the Senior Choir, entitled, "SING ALOUD UNTO GOD."

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Elder Tindall will offer the General Supplication, and I will follow with prayer for the sick. Let us pray.

GENERAL SUPPLICATION

ELDER TINDALL: O God, our Heavenly Father, we come into Thy Presence in the Name of Jesus the Christ. We thank Thee, O Lord, that through Him we have access to the Throne of Grace, where we may find mercy and grace to help us in our time of need.

We come unto Thee, O God, with gratitude in our hearts and thanksgiving upon our lips for all Thy goodness and mercy, and for Thy benefits unto us. They are more than we can enumerate. We can never repay Thee for all Thy mercies and for Thy goodness and loving kindness! Nothing in our hands we bring; simply to Thy cross we cling!

As suppliants, O God, we come unto Thee, realizing our need of Thee, and our dependence upon Thee. Without Thee we could do nothing; we would be as the branch severed from the vine, and we would perish without hope.

We thank Thee, O God, that when there was no eye to pity and no arm to save, Thou didst send One Who was mighty to save and strong to deliver.

We thank Thee for Jesus, Thine Only Begotten Son, Who gave Himself freely for us and made Himself of no reputation — humbling Himself and becoming as a servant. We thank Thee, O God, for His great condescension, and that He was willing to come and suffer for us and die for us, that we should not perish, but have everlasting life.

We thank Thee for the life that comes through Jesus, Who came to give us life, and to give it to us abundantly.

We thank Thee, O God, for the Gift of Thy love!

We thank Thee for the Gift of Thy Holy Spirit, the Comforter, Whom Thou didst send that He might help us in our infirmities and show us the way to the Father, and convict the world of sin and of righteousness and of a judgment to come.

We thank Thee, O God, for Thy Blessed Word, which comes to us to give us life and understanding.

We pray, O God, that Thou wilt lead us to repentance from our sins, and that Thou wilt pardon our transgressions — whatever we have done amiss.

We ask Thy blessing, O God, to rest upon us as a people. Be Thou with us, O God, as Thou hast promised!

We thank Thee, O Lord, for the communion of saints, and for the fellowship that we have with the Father and with the Son and with the Holy Ghost, and with Thy people.

We pray Thy blessing to be with us, O Lord, and bless us, as we are here in Thy house.

We pray that Thou wilt bless the message that shall be given us! Bless Thy servant who shall speak to us. Help him by Thy Spirit, and send the message; and may we have food for our spirits, that we may be built up and strengthened for the duties of life, and that we may be workmen who need not be ashamed.

Fit us, O God, for Thy service, that we may go forth into Thy vineyard and work while it is called today, for the night will soon come when we shall not be able to work.

We pray Thy blessing, O God, to be with our General Overseer as he ministers to the people in the city of Chicago. We pray that Thou wilt send a message to Thy people. Send the people to hear Thy Word, and bless it to their good!

May Thy Kingdom come speedily, O Lord; may Thy will be done by each one of us here on earth, as it is done in Heaven.

Bless Zion, O God, in all her work. Be with those who are scattered abroad. Bless them this day! May this be a good day in Zion everywhere — a day of victory and triumph!

O Lord, bless all the means that are used for the spreading of Thy truth and the upbuilding of Thy Kingdom. Bless the means that are used here. Bless all our institutions! Bless us financially, and bless us spiritually and socially; and build us up in the most holy faith. Make us a people in whom Thou dost delight, and then we know we shall succeed and go forward and do our work; and we will have Thy blessing.

Remember all who are sick, and bless all for whom we should pray!

Guide us in the ways of truth and righteousness, and when Thou art done serving Thyself with us here on the earth, receive us into the upper and better Kingdom, for Christ's sake. Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Hear and answer, our Heavenly Father, our prayer.

Hear us as we come to Thee in behalf of the sick, and for further blessing.

We thank Thee and praise Thee for Jesus the Christ, through Whom we have life and health and peace!

We thank Thee for Him Who came from Heaven's glory to suf-

fer earth's shame and to pay, upon the cruel cross, the price necessary to be paid for our full redemption from sin and all its effects.

We thank Thee that we were able to trust Him for salvation, and that later, when we heard the precious truth, we were able to trust Him for healing.

Now, O God, we have gathered here today from over the face of the earth, to sit down in the Kingdom of God, and to have sweet fellowship in Christ Jesus.

We thank Thee for the healing streams for spirit, for soul, and for body. We thank Thee that they flow in the Christ, and that in Zion that stream is flowing as it is nowhere else.

We pray, this afternoon, that Thou wilt hear our cry for these sick ones, whose requests we hold in our hands. We thank Thee that so few are sick! We thank Thee for the health of our city!

We thank Thee, O God, that Thou hast so wonderfully preserved life!

Thou art the Healer of Thy people — hear our prayer for these sick ones! Stretch forth Thy hand to heal them, and may they meet the conditions; may they put away hindering causes!

We pray that Thou wilt give them Thy Holy Spirit, that they may indeed have the power to do right in all things, and that they may realize that the power for healing is in the Holy Spirit, through faith in Jesus.

Our Father, bless this congregation! Oh, speak Thou to them through Thy Word, by Thy Spirit!

Grant, O God, today, that all may be blessed. May the stranger within our gates realize, if he is in Christ Jesus, that he is in his Father's house and among his brethren in Christ Jesus; and may he feel at home.

We pray that Thou wilt suit a blessing to every one here today, and may Thy Spirit be with us in mighty power as Thy Word is read and proclaimed and the songs and anthems are sung.

May we realize, this afternoon, that we sit together in heavenly places!

May Thy Spirit, O God, strive with the sinful and lead them to see what God has done — what Jesus the Christ has done, and how much they owe to God, their Father, and to Jesus Christ, their Savior.

O our Father, be present today to draw the sinful to Thyself with the cords of tenderest love; and if there is anything in any heart this afternoon that hinders sweet communion with Thee, and fellowship with one another, grant that it may be put aside, that Thy Spirit may do a more perfect and sanctified work in our hearts.

O God, baptize us from on high! Let coals from Thine altar be put upon our lips, and grant that this people may hear the voice of God through all that is said and everything that is done in this meeting.

Oh, that we may get the vision of the Christ in the suffering and anguish and awful agony that He passed through, when He paid the debt upon the cross; when He passed through the ordeals that were His in His earthly life and ministry in perfecting the work of faith, in fulfilling throughout all the ages that which was foreshadowed in the past, when Abel made his sacrifice and was accepted in God's sight, because he made it looking to the atoning blood of Jesus.

Guide us, O God, in this hour! Make us to know Thyself! Manifest Thyself to us in a way that Thou dost not do to the world!

Grant, this afternoon, that as we look into Thy face, as we realize Thy grace, and as we enter, in a small measure, into Thy love, we may have born within us a deeper love for Thee, a deeper love for each other, and a deeper love for humanity.

May Zion go forward, calling the people back to the standard, bringing them back to the Eternal Word of God, and to faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

May Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven; and may the Christ, Who is soon to be crowned King of kings and Lord of lords, be enthroned in every heart!

Hear us in His Name and for His sake, Who, in the days of His flesh, taught us to pray; and, when we pray, to say: (The Lord's Prayer was then reverently chanted.)

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let us praise God further in the use of Hymn No. 733 — "THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD."

There is a Fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That Fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

Dear Dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be, till I die.

Then in a noble, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy power to save,
When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave.

After the General Announcements for the Week by Apostle Carey, Dr. H. Em. Wilson rendered an Offertory on the Pipe Organ, during which the Tithes and Free-will Offerings were taken up. The Senior Choir then sang the ANTHEM — "I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE."

SCRIPTURE READING

APOSTLE PECKHAM: I will read in the Inspired Word of God, first in the fifty-third chapter of the book of the Prophet Isaiah, where he looks down through the ages to the Coming of the Christ:

"Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?"

"For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

"He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

"Surely He hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

"But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

"He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth.

"He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare His generation? for He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of My people was He stricken.

"And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death; because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

"Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He hath put Him to grief: when thou shalt make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

"He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My Righteous Servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities.

"Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."

Again, in Matthew the eight chapter, the sixteenth and seventeenth verses, — referring to the prophecy which I have just read:

"When the even was come, they brought unto Him many who were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all who were sick:

"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses."

May God bless the reading of His Word!

The hymn — "VICTORY THROUGH GRACE" — was then sung.

INVOCATION:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, profitable unto this people, and accompanied by the power of the Holy Spirit, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

APOSTLE PECKHAM: I will call your attention to the following verses of Scripture:

Hebrews the twelfth chapter, the first and second verses: "Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.

"Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith;

Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

The Christian Life Compared to a Race

The Apostle Paul here, in picturing the Christian life, uses the figure of the race. No doubt, as he had traveled through the land of Greece, he had knowledge of what was familiar to every one in that land — the Olympic games and races. It was a part of their national life to engage in them and to witness them; and those who won prizes in these games were crowned as victors and counted among the honored of the nation.

The Apostle Paul, in speaking of these races, compares the great and mighty heroes of faith to those who looked on at these races in the amphitheater, both foot-races and chariot-races, but particularly the foot-races; and he says that on account of the great cloud of witnesses, we should take courage and press forward in the heavenly race.

The preceding chapter — the eleventh chapter of Hebrews — sets forth the mighty heroes of faith. These are given as an inspiration to us — and they *are* an inspiration to us. They are also to be examples to us, for what they passed through, beginning with Abel down to the last one mentioned, set forth experiences that come into the lives of all Christians, of all runners in the race of life.

Some of the Encompassing Witnesses

If we look at Abel, we may gain inspiration.

Abel notwithstanding the opposition, and even the hatred, of his brother concerning his manner of worship, had faith in God, offered a more excellent sacrifice by blood, and stood faithful in his generation.

How many of us have been willing to put aside duty and to shirk in affairs concerning THE KINGDOM OF GOD and Jesus the Christ, because of opposition among our relatives and friends! Opposed by some near and dear to us, we have let down the standard; we have failed to hold it up, and to press on in the way of faith.

As we pass on, we come to Noah, that man who, in the midst of his generation, stood faithful to God and kept His commandments, notwithstanding the scoffs and jeers of those about him. He endured for one hundred and twenty years, and by faith, in the midst of sunshine, prepared for the coming storm and flood.

To each one of us who has named the Name of Christ, who has started in the Christian life, who is going forward serving God, the temptation comes to let down the standard, or to cease our aggressiveness, because of the fact that others sneer, others scoff, others are ready to put us down as fools.

This man, by his mighty faith, endured, and went forward — setting to us an example of what it means to have faith in God and to obey under all circumstances, no matter what the pressure may be.

We may learn a lesson of obedience — of forsaking land and home and country and going forth in faith — from Abraham, who, inspired by the spirit of obedience to God's commandments, went forth — he knew not where — and with no future revealed to him, no place pointed out to him, nothing that he could see. All had to be faith as he took his first step out from his land and country.

How few are able to forsake their native land!

How few are able to forsake the old home!

How few are able to forsake the dear ones and follow Jesus the Christ!

How few, in obedience to faith, are willing to step out upon God's promises and go boldly forth, not knowing the way, not knowing what the future holds!

How wonderful are these examples of faith in a True and Living God!

Moses, a Notable Example of "Looking unto Jesus."

Then we come down to Moses, who was hidden by his mother in the bulrushes and protected by the power of God. Finally, he reached the place where he might have been ruler in Egypt, but he chose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to dwell in palaces and to have the great and good things of this earth.

He had faith in God, — faith that God would deliver His people; faith that God, in some way, would deliver His people from Egyptian bondage, and bring them into their own land.

We must learn the lesson from Moses to let no worldly ambition keep us back from joining ourselves with the people of God and going forward, realizing that that which we possess in THE KINGDOM OF GOD is greater than any earthly possession; and we must go forward held by the mighty power and grip of faith in God, faith in Jesus Christ, and obedience to His Word.

"For he endured, as seeing Him Who is invisible." — Hebrews 11:27.

How wonderful are these examples!

There are many others — "so great a cloud of witnesses" — mighty heroes of faith.

We might go on from one to another, but let these suffice.

The great host of witnesses and the figure, as given by the Apostle Paul, would seem to mean that they were looking down upon us; that from the battlements of Heaven they were cognizant of what was being enacted here; that they were witnesses of all that transpired among the inhabitants of earth.

The Word of God gives us very little about the interest which those above are permitted to take in the affairs of this world. However we do know that the ministering angels are sent forth to minister to those who are heirs of salvation.

Whether or not the spirits that have passed on are witnessing us today in the battle, in the race, in the fight of faith, we are not able to say; but it may be so. At least, they are mighty witnesses to what God can do for those who have faith in Him and in His Word, and who walk in accordance with His commandments. They should inspire us in the race.

Jesus Christ Our Great Exemplar

The Apostle Paul does not point us to them as the greatest and highest type of faith, but turns from them and says that we should look to the Lord Jesus Christ, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, Who alone is to be our Example.

He is the Author of our faith in the sense that He is the Leader, the Captain, the Mighty One over and above all others, and that in Him is found a perfect expression of FAITH. He alone can perfect our faith and bring us to the Father.

We must look to Christ's life, to His acts, to all that He said and did, for our Example of a true Christian life — a life of faith; for an Example of one Who was the Perfect Expression of faith. He should be our Example in all the coming years. In Him shall our faith be perfected.

The Apostle Paul speaks of the Christian life as a race. What a beautiful illustration, or figure, it is! As we contemplate it this afternoon, there may be practical lessons for us, even though it is, in itself, a heathen or a Greek figure.

The Apostle no doubt knew many great men of his time, but he speaks not of them, but of the heroes of faith among God's people.

He draws his figure, however, from the heathen practice — the Olympic races; and he says: "Lay aside every weight," as the runner in those days laid aside every weight, everything that would impede his progress or hinder him in reaching the goal. — the prize, at the end of the race.

He laid everything aside — every weight; and, of course, very little clothing was worn.

Garments an Important Factor in The Race

I tell you, in this race of faith and the Christian life, I think that some things which have not been duly considered have to be done by the Christian, in the laying aside of garments.

We see in this land today many things that cause us shame!

We see many things done by the people that bring disgrace and discredit upon them as men and women.

Surely, if we were running an earthly race, the garments which some wear would not be fit, and would hinder them in the race!

Think of those wearing "hobble" skirts and tightly laced with corsets, having on all the foolish things that fashion has decreed. — putting on the things of this world — running even an earthly race! It could not be done with any degree of success!

Think of those who have entered the heavenly race — whose adornment should be a meek and quiet spirit, and not the "outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold" and

who have not fittingly arrayed themselves for the heavenly race, that they might be unhindered in their progress.

The Christian Must Prepare Himself for The Race

As the runner makes preparation for the Olympic races, so must the Christian make preparation for his race; and as the runner puts aside pleasures and refuses to eat the things which ordinary people eat, and puts himself upon a plain diet and brings himself down, through training, until he is in what he considers a perfect condition, so that he can stand the strain and go swiftly to the goal, so must the Christian put away everything that would enter in, in the way of gluttony, in the way of satisfying the appetites, and put himself upon a plane of living that will make him strong in body, brilliant in mind, and ready to cope with all that has to be met in this wonderful race, at the end of which lies the crown of eternal life, and not the victor's wreath of earthly renown.

May God show to you all today that to run in this race means PREPARATION; that you cannot simply enter the race without any thought of preparation, and come out at last crowned by Jesus the Christ!

Set aside the things that hinder!

Lay aside the sin "which doth so easily beset us;" for there is some particular sin — THE sin — my brother and my sister, that more easily besets you than any other!

It may be that there are sins that you could never be tempted to commit. There may be sins that would be no temptation whatever to you; but there is some one sin that easily besets you — in other words, that you think very little about, but which is constantly seeking to trip you and overthrow you. Besetting sins are *upsetting* sins, as some one has said.

These are the things that throw us down, that defeat us in the race; for a little thing in the pathway may trip the runner.

The Great Besetting Sin

How often "the easily besetting sin" is that of impatience!

"Let us run with patience the race that is set before us." — Hebrews 12:1.

"Ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise." — Hebrews 10:36.

"God will render to every man according to his deeds:

"To them who by *patient* continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, and eternal life:

"But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and *wrath*,

"Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also to the Gentile:

"For there is no respect of persons with God." — Romans 2:6-11.

"But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing." — James 1:4.

It is not the great obstacle, but the *LITTLE THING!*

A pebble may cause the foot to turn, and the runner to fall, and the race will be lost!

A little thing — a little transgression — may cause you to fall prostrate, and the monster sin, as it is said in God's Word, crouches at the door of your heart like a ravenous tiger, ready to spring upon you and to overcome you, and to attack you in the hour when you are unaware of the danger!

Ah, watch — watch the entrance of the little sins!

They will cause you to fall in the race!

What your besetting sin is, I do not know! God knows, and, doubtless, you know. It may be your tongue; it may be your temper; it may be the sin of jealousy, the sin of envy, the sin of hatred, the sin of murmuring, the sin of criticising; it may be pride; it may be self righteousness; it may be love of ease and pleasure.

Whatever it is, LAY IT ASIDE!

".....Lay aside every weight, and *the* sin which doth so easily beset us....."

You know what it is that upsets you in the beginning of the day, and makes the day anything but a day of blessing!

You know what it is that causes you to crawl along in the race, instead of running with a bright and happy face!

Oh, this afternoon, brothers and sisters, whatever the sin is, lay it aside! Ah, you cannot win in the race unless you lay it aside!

Joy Sustains in The Race

Look unto Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, of Whom it is written in this Text which I have chosen:

".....Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross....."

O what heavenly joy upholds the Christian in the race!

He is our Example!

He joyfully endured the cross!

Are you enduring the cross? Are you bearing it with joy?

Are you joyfully going forward every day enduring for Christ's sake — bearing the cross? or does the very thought of enduring anything depress your spirit?

The Apostle Paul says, in First Corinthians, Chapter Thirteen, that love *endureth all things*; and, as true runners in the race, there must be the spirit of enduring, and the cross must be borne for Christ's sake.

Ah, my brothers and my sisters, we are too quick to fly up and to get angry; too quick to cast aside the cross and say, "I will not bear it."

Rather endure the cross, for in no other way shall you win in the race.

"For consider Him who endured such contradiction of sinners against Himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds." — Hebrews 12:3

He who endureth will be a successful runner in the race!

"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 shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also who love His appearing." — II. Timothy 4:7, 8.

The Race Cannot be Run Without Persecution

He who suffers persecution, as did the Christ, will be crowned at last; for the Master said that the servant is not above his lord. If they have persecuted Him, they will persecute you.

"If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him." — II Timothy 2:12

The sign of a true Christian life, of a true and faithful runner in the race, is that he is persecuted!

Wherever you find persecution, you find Christianity, and wherever you find Christianity, you find persecution!

Why were these heroes of faith persecuted?

Why were they dealt with by the world as they were?

Because they kept the faith!

They were true to God, notwithstanding the fact that they were horribly treated in every way. Some of them were sawn asunder; others were cast into dungeons, and everything done to them that mortal mind, possessed of the devil, could conceive.

Why is it that there is nothing of the kind today?

If we had the same kind of faith, we would have, perhaps, the very same bitter persecution. At any rate, we would have *persecution*, and plenty of it! Today we know that the so-called Church of the Living God is not where it ought to be, because there is no persecution!

Whenever, in times of apostasy, in times of falling away in the church, there arises a mighty man like Charles Wesley, John Wesley, Martin Luther — like any of these great and mighty men — you will find all the devils of hell arrayed against him, and the powers of darkness seeking to overthrow him; and you will find persecution. You will find it in any age, and you will find it today.

We need no further proof of the apostasy and decadence of the church today, than that she is not persecuted.

The only church today that is persecuted is the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION — the only one. Therefore, she must be the one that the Lord has chosen; she must be THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD.

Zion Persecuted for Righteousness' Sake

When that mighty man of God, John Alexander Dowie, came to this land and began to preach the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and began to attack the slumbering churches and to call them to repentance, in preparation for the Coming of the King, and struck with tremendous blows the false shepherds and the hirelings, bringing upon himself and upon ZION the hatred of all the unfaithful shepherds in the churches, and the hatred of all the powers of the devil, then ZION became the favored of God; then

she became the chosen of God; and ever since, to the degree that she has held to these mighty truths, she has been persecuted.

Wherever ZION men go, there is trouble!

Why?

Because they are in conflict with evil — with sin in high and in low places; because they stand, in this day, for the old-time religion — for the faith of Abel, the faith of Noah, the faith of Abraham, the faith of Moses, the faith of Daniel, the faith of the Hebrew children, the faith that was in the heart of every martyr down through the ages.

That is the reason ZION is persecuted!

That is the reason Wilbur Glenn Voliva and his people are persecuted!

We know that we must endure persecution!

Jesus our Lord and Master was persecuted.

"Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his Lord. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; — John 15:20.

We must be true to our God, it does not matter what the world says, what the church says, what the papers say, what the doctors say, what any of these great (?) organizations say!

ZION must be true to her God, true to her principles, true to God's Word, true to Jesus the Christ — for faith today is almost an unknown quantity! Faith does not exist today on the earth, in any impressive degree, outside of ZION!

Oh, how little faith there is in the world today!

Thank God for a people who stand for the entire Word of God!

Thank God for a leader who stands for genuine repentance and demands the bringing forth of the fruits thereof in confession of sin, restitution and the making of all wrongs right!

Thank God for a people who stand for the Divinity of Jesus the Christ!

Thank God for a people who stand for the inspiration of God's Word!

Thank God there has arisen a church, a movement, in these last days that believes once more in the Mighty, Wonder-working God Who lived in Moses' day, and Who is

JUST THE SAME TODAY

John Alexander Dowie, who went forth with the message to this earth to bring the people back to God, back to His Word, and back to the life of the Christ, has gone to his reward, but his message still remains. His words still burn with mighty fire in our hearts, and we remember that God's servant has spoken, and that he has told us to prepare for the Coming of the King, and that the King will soon be here.

Today we gather together once more to observe the Lord's Supper; and as we gather around this sacred board and commune together and with our Lord, may His wonderful example of enduring the cross and despising the shame come to us as an inspiration, for we may look forward with the same joy with which He looked forward, to the "Crowning day that's coming," because He said that if we suffer with Him, we shall also REIGN with Him.

Remember the Suffering Savior

Oh, brothers and sisters, have you suffered? Are you suffering today?

You have never endured, you have never suffered as the Christ has suffered!

Think what He endured by the persecution of the scribes and Pharisees!

Think what He endured in His sufferings in Gethsemane and upon Calvary's brow!

Think, my brother and my sister, of what Christ suffered for you!

And so we should count these petty trials, these little persecutions that come to us through the days and weeks and years, as nothing when compared with the sufferings of our Savior!

Shall we not rather forget them and let them be swallowed up in the thought, "We have never suffered as He suffered; we have never endured as He endured"? — for Jesus, when He suffered in Gethsemane, sweat great drops of blood. When upon the cross He cried, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me."

Oh, what an awful thought — that the face of His God should be hidden from Him for a little time, and that He should feel the awful darkness of separation from God that we might be

saved, that we might be healed, that we might be blessed, and have a crown in Heaven!

Oh, keep your eyes upon Jesus!

Let them not dwell upon these great heroes of faith, only to learn how they endured; only to gain a little inspiration, and to know that they have endured and suffered more than we.

Let us Keep our Eyes upon Jesus!

Keep them upon the joy that is set before us — pursue a straight, steadfast, onward course — for there lies at the end the crown of eternal life.

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life." — Revelation 2:10.

Choose, this day, to suffer with Christ, and then you shall reign with Him — for choose you must!

No one can leave this building tonight without having made his choice!

You may have already made it, if not then make it as we hold up before you the Blessed Christ, Who suffered and died for you, and say: Receive Him now! Come to Jesus now!

Give your hearts to Him!

Make your choice — make it Now!

We are called upon to choose every day! We must choose between good and evil! Some one has said that when we choose between two evils, we should choose the lesser; but we can never choose that way. Between evils, there is no choice. The choice is between GOOD AND EVIL; between the world and the Christ!

The question to be decided today is: Will you be a Christian, or will you be an infidel?

Will you be a follower of the Christ, or will you refuse to follow Him?

Take your choice!

My brothers and sisters, if you have not yet entered the race, enter it today, and stand up in all the strength of your manhood, in all the strength which your Savior gives you, and determine, by His grace, that you will put away every weight, every sin, and will press on in the race with the prize in view, and continue faithful unto the end.

He will run beside you in the way!

The song that we sang tells us that we shall conquer through the Christ —

"Not to the strong is the battle,

Not to the swift is the race,

Yet to the true and the faithful

Vict'ry is promised through grace."

He is the Author and Perfecter of our faith!

Many a one starts in the race who falls out for some reason or another. The weights have not been put away! The sins have not been laid aside, and they hinder, until the runner can no longer press on, but must fall exhausted by the wayside! Others come along and press on and take the crown for which he should have striven, and which he could have had if he had only been faithful and persevering, and had trusted in Him Who is the Captain of our salvation — the Highest and Noblest of them all — the One Who is perfect in His faith, and Who can perfect our faith and give us grace and strength to win in this race.

Not All who Enter shall Win in the Race!

There will be wise virgins and foolish virgins!

There will be those who will rap at the door and say, "Lord! Lord!" but the Lord will have to say, "Depart from me; I never knew you!" "Too late! Ye cannot enter now!"

Runners in the race!

Have you put away the sin that easily besets you?

Are you free to run the race untrammelled, bound not by friend or foe: bound not by property, by lands, or by anything that this world offers?

Are you FREE to run the race?

Have you cut loose from the world, with all its attractions?

Do you care anything for worldly things?

Are you entangled with the things of this world?

O young people, you are entering the race — will you win?

If you are faithful — yes; but if you listen to the siren voice, if you hold on to your sins, if, in any way, you have weights that are dragging you down, you may not win the race: but in Christ Jesus, YOU SHALL WIN!

There is no defeat to those who are in Christ Jesus!
With the Apostle Paul we can say: "I can do ALL THINGS through Christ, Who strengtheneth me."

O Wonderful Christ — Thou Who upon Calvary finished the race; Thou Who art the Perfect Example; Thou Who art the Perfecter of our faith — perfect us; take us as we are this hour, and make us what we ought to be, in spirit, in soul, and in body!

May God grant that, as we gather around the Lord's Table, we may remember the cross upon which Christ hung, and that we may remember Him as the One Who sits at the right hand of God, soon to come to reward His servants, and to give to every successful runner in the race the crown of eternal life.

Oh, how He suffered for us!

A Wrong Conception of the Cross

The ignominy of the cross cannot be understood by any today. Around it the church has cast a halo; in poetry and song its glory has been heralded; it has been used to ornament buildings; it has been made of gold and worn upon the breasts of millions.

The dishonor, disgrace and shame of the cross has been lost sight of down through the intervening centuries.

Is your cross heavy?

Think, my brothers and sisters, of the shame of the crucifixion, and how Jesus Christ refused to escape from it, but took it willingly upon Himself — that awful death upon the cross, the hideous cross!

It meant shame and disgrace to all who hung upon it; but for our sins the Christ hung there; for our sins He "endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

He who bears the cross shall wear the crown; and if we bear the cross we will, like unto our Blessed Lord, enter into the everlasting joy and receive the crown of eternal life which He has offered to all who are faithful unto death.

All who faithfully bear the cross shall share in Christ's glory, enter into His joy, and receive the victor's crown.

May God bless you all and draw you into the holy and inner circle, into the secret place, into His hallowed presence, where you see Him as your Perfect Example; where you see Him as your Perfect Savior; where you see Him as the Perfect One — the Son of God.

"BELOVED, NOW ARE WE THE SONS OF GOD, AND IT DOTHT NOT YET APPEAR WHAT WE SHALL BE: BUT WE KNOW THAT, WHEN HE SHALL APPEAR, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM." — I. John 3:2.

RUN WITH PATIENCE—LOOKING UNTO JESUS!

PRAYER

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Father in Heaven, bless, we pray Thee, this congregation. Prepare us all by Thy Spirit and by Thy Word for the Sacred Ordinance which we are about to observe.

Grant, Lord, that we may see Jesus; that He may become real to us; that the great price that was paid for our redemption may come upon us like a mighty flood, and that we may more fully realize what Jesus suffered for us — that He trod the wine-press alone, forsaken of all; and that He is our Example.

So may we be steadfast in this world of sin and sorrow, temptation and trial, persecution and injustice; and may we realize that we are but followers of Jesus, and that we must run the race with patience, so that we may sit down at the right hand of God the Father and dwell with Him.

Forgive, O God, our besetting sins! Help us to put them away! Take from us everything that hinders! Cleanse us!

Grant, Lord, that this people may reconsecrate themselves today, and take up the great work that Thou hast put upon them; and may they show to this world that they are a consecrated people — a Christlike people, a people of faith, a people who are not like the world, but who are earnestly and faithfully pursuing the course laid down in God's Word, and that they give every promise of winning in the race and obtaining the crown of eternal life.

Hear our prayer! Meet with us in this sacred Communion hour and help us to discern the Body. Speak to each one of us loving words of tenderness and forgiveness, and draw us into a closer fellowship with Thee. Help us, Lord, that we may be more like Thee! Accept our evening praise and prayer, in Jesus' Name and for His Sake. Amen.

Apostle Peckham then proceeded with the observance of the Lord's Supper, after which the Choir sang in RECESSIONAL—"THE SHADOWS OF THE EVENING HOURS."

The shadows of the evening hours
Fall from the dark'ning sky;
Upon the fragrance of the flow'rs
The dews of evening lie.
Before Thy throne, O Lord of heav'n,
We kneel at close of day;
Look on Thy children from on high,
And hear us while we pray.

The sorrows of Thy servants, Lord,
Oh, do not Thou despise,
But let the incense of our pray'rs
Before Thy mercy rise.
The brightness of the coming night
Upon the darkness rolls;
With hopes of future glory chase
The shadows from our souls.

Slowly the rays of daylight fade:
So fade within our heart
The hopes in earthly love and joy,
That one by one depart.
Slowly the bright stars, one by one,
Within the heavens shine:
Give us, O Lord, fresh hopes in heav'n
And trust in things divine.

Let peace, O Lord, Thy peace, O God,
Upon our souls descend;
From midnight fears and perils, Thou
Our trembling hearts defend.
Give us a respite from our toil;
Calm and subdue our woes;
Thro' the long day we labor, Lord;
Oh, give us now repose.

BENEDICTION by APOSTLE PECKHAM

May the love of God the Father, the peace of Jesus the Christ the Son, and the fellowship and communion of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, be with you now, and abide with you for ever. Amen.

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," in Central ZION Tabernacle, Chicago, by Evangelist Guy K. Neal, February 27th, 1916:

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By Elder C. F. Viking

IF MY LIFE shall be a success I must serve. I must serve God and man. I must serve God for His Own sake, and I must serve man for God's sake. I can be of service to my fellow men if God lives in me and works through me. If I am not consecrated to God's service and not working in harmony with God, then my work for mankind is more or less a selfish work: it may be a work to be seen of men, a work stimulated by the praise of men, a work of competing with others in trying to obtain the first prize in the shambles of the popular prize courts; it may be absolutely philanthropy. It may be a service not of love but a seeking to obtain merit for self.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

"And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not love, I am nothing.

"And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not love, it profiteth me nothing." —1 Corinthians 13:1-3.

This one thing which counts is translated in the different versions of the Bible as Charity, Love, Friendship.

I stand amazed before the life of Christ, poured out in service for fallen man, a labor of such unselfish and wonderful love, that it melts the heart of stone, and crushes to atoms the most terrible enmity, the fiercest opposition, the most sinful desire.

"And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

"And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do." —Acts 9:5,6.

"But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.

"Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas,

"And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

"And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

"And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

"And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway." —Acts 16:28-33.

"And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst,

"They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery in the very act.

"Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?

"This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground, as though he heard them not.

"So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.

"And again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.

"And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.

"When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?

"She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more." —John 8:3-11.

The teachings of Jesus on service:

"He that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

"And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." —Matthew 23:11,12.

"And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

"Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." —Matthew 20:27,28.

"And he sat down and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." —Mark 9:35.

The Apostles followed Jesus closely in this teaching:

"Let this mind be in you, which also was in Christ Jesus:

"Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

"But made himself of no reputation, and took upon himself the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men.

"And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." —Philippians 2:5-8.

"For brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another." —Galatians 5:13.

"For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more." —1 Corinthians 9:19.

"For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." —2 Corinthians 4:5.

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." —Romans 12:1.

We also read words like these:

"Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ to all the saints, etc." —Philippians 1:1.

"James, a servant of God and our Lord Jesus Christ to the twelve tribes, etc." —James 1:1.

"Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ to them, etc." —2 Peter 1:1.

"Jude, the servant of Jesus the Christ to them, etc." —Jude 1.

Jesus taught these men to serve when He Himself stooped down and washed their feet.

"Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

"And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him:

"Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

"He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

"After that he poureth water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

"Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?

"Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

"Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

"Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

"Jesus saith unto him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.

"For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

"So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

"Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

"If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

"For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

"If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." — John 13:1-17.

In giving them the Great Commission He sent them forth as Witnesses to Wonderful Facts, Preachers of Glad Tidings, Teachers of the Way of Life, Heralds of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, Lights in the dark world, Examples of right living, men filled with the Holy Spirit, going forth not counting their lives dear unto themselves, not seeking fame and standing, praise and possessions, but willing to suffer persecutions, and to count it a joy to serve all.

The ministerial training schools and seminaries of today are graduating lecturers and story-tellers and ear-tickers, not servants of the Living God.

The ministry in ZION is of God. It is the great service of

love which shuns no cost. It was my privilege for some time to be near John Alex. Dowie when he was at his best in Chicago. He was a big man, but he had passed through years of service in helping many to repentance, to faith, to love, to God. He toiled among the sick and suffering, and his big heart was yearning almost to bursting point to reach the great human family with the Message of Love from his King and Lord.

He organized the ZION ministry, but above everything else he placed purity and humility. He had no use for any other kind.

Is it not so in ZION today that the ministers lead not drive, that they live what they preach, and teach in a practical demonstration of life God's Wonderful Love?

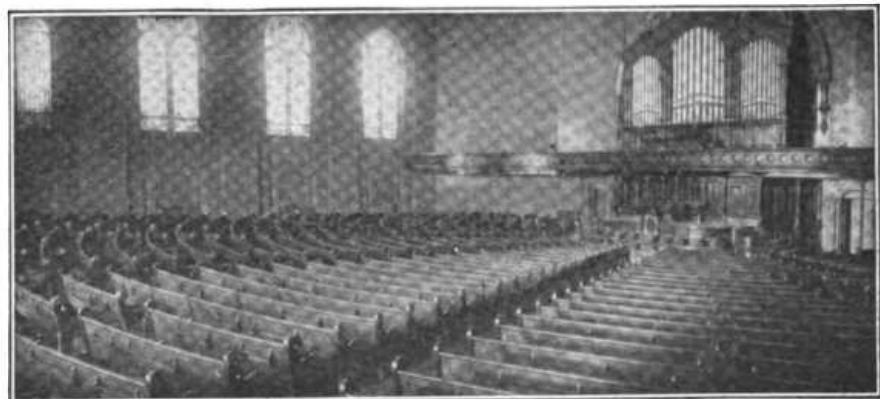
The ZION platform is not a platform for oratory but a platform for service. It is teaching, preaching, pleading, laboring, fighting, destroying, tearing to pieces men's structures and building up those of God. Like Elijah did on Mount Carmel, building up the altar of God and destroying ministerial shams.

This is the ZION of God. It is the ZION of prophecy. The ministry in the church in ZION is ZION. That ought to be something worth knowing as to ZION. *The ministry proves that Zion is Zion.* The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION should be every member ZION, all the work through and through ZION, every service ZION, every sermon ZION, every family ZION, ZION CITY ZION. The ministerial service to each other, to the sick and sorrowing, and to the sin-cursed and unlovely in the world is of the Holy Spirit and not of men. Charged with divine love each member in ZION has a wonderful work to perform in the Wonderful Service of the Lord.



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Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.
MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267.)

FIRST—That we recognize the infallible inspiration and sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.

SECOND—That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD—That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH—That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

Address.....

Date.....

Please be Sure to fill in

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion,
Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

I hereby make application to be received as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and declare my agreement with the Basis of Fellowship agreed upon at a Conference held February 5th, 1896, as set forth in Circular Letter of February 7, 1896.

What is your full name?.....

Where is your residence?.....

Please give full postoffice address

What is your age last birthday?.....Date and year of birth.....

Are you married, unmarried, widowed, or divorced?.....How many children have you living?.....

What is your father's full Christian name?.....

What is your mother's full Christian name?.....

What is the full name of husband or wife?.....

What is your occupation, profession, or trade?.....

What nationality are you?.....Where were you born?.....

What language or languages do you speak?.....

How long have you lived in America (or the country where you are now living?).....

When and where were you converted to God?.....

Are you conscious that you are saved through faith in Jesus?.....

When and where were you baptized by TRIUNE Immersion?.....

By whom were you baptized?.....

With what religious organization were you formerly connected?.....

Recommended by

Signature of Applicant.....

Write very plainly

REMARKS

Extra Copies of this Form will be sent to intending members on application to the General Recorder of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Zion City, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

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Zion City,
Illinois

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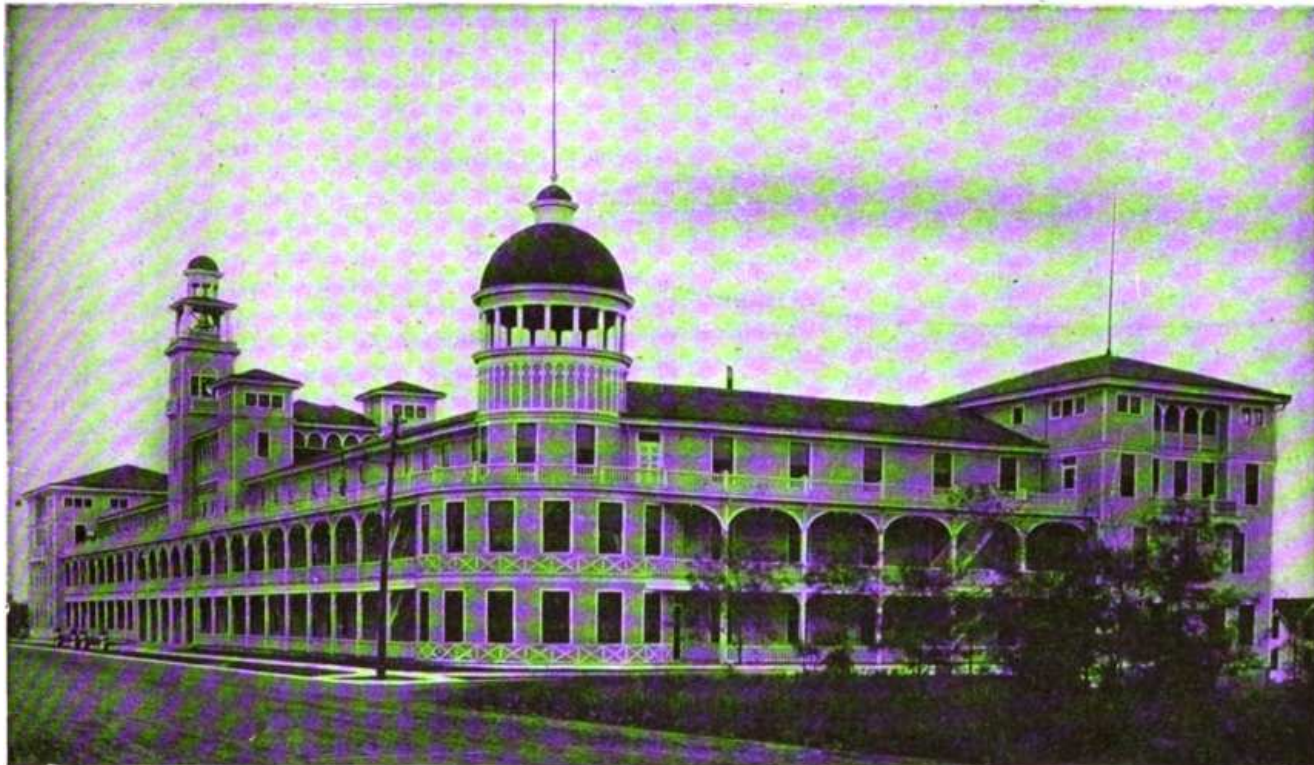
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ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

TO ALL PERSONS BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF ZION CITY

WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BUILDING UP ZION CITY

WE want every person who has property outside of Zion City for sale, who desires to invest the proceeds in Zion City real estate or in Zion Institutions and Industries, to list same with us. We are in a position to be of help to you in disposing of it.

¶ We trust that you have carefully examined the map sent out with the "Leaves of Healing" Vol. 37, No. 21. This is the most complete map that has ever been issued of Zion City site and Zion Estate, and clearly indicates the amount of farm land that has been disposed of, and the small proportion of the entire Estate which remains to be sold.

¶ If you feel any responsibility whatever in the establishment of Zion City at this time, why should you delay in making whatever moves are necessary to assist in this work?

¶ We also want to call your attention to the ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES which pay six per cent on all investments. We have just closed a six months inventory period, which has been very satisfactory. Don't you want your investments where they will be used for the extension of the Kingdom of God and building up Institutions, the purpose of which is to give employment to Zion people? Zion City cannot be built and maintained without industries. Have you any part in them? Do you want any part in them? Time is passing rapidly. Why delay?

¶ We will gladly answer any communication in regard to either of the above propositions.

Yours respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN,

General Manager.

An Opportunity for Every One

To have a part in the Establishment of Zion Institutions & Industries

Below you will find facsimile of our investment cards. Cut out the coupon, fill it in and return it to Zion Bank, and become a regular investor in Zion Institutions and Industries.

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It helps increase the usefulness of the Institutions and Industries.

It will help build up Zion City and it will help extend the Kingdom of God.

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INVESTMENT CARD

INVESTOR'S Card No.	FOR ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF ZION AND ANY WHO ARE INTER- ESTED IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND THE ES- TABLISHMENT OF ZION CITY.	\$
	DATE	Cts. per month for twelve consecutive months

Name

Address

Above person has agreed to pay the above amount monthly for twelve consecutive months and to abide by the rules and regulations printed on the inside of this cover.

MAKE ALL PAYMENTS AT ZION BANK

Payments will Positively Not be received without this Card.

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- Interest at 3% per annum will be allowed on monthly payments, provided the full yearly amount is paid. If three consecutive payments are delinquent interest will be forfeited on all amounts paid. If not more than two monthly payments are omitted and are made up before the close of the year interest will be allowed in full.
- No deposit will be received without this card, which will be punched in depositor's presence, jointly with the office card bearing his signature and number.
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W. HURD CLENDINEN,
General Manager

Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

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THE PRINCIPAL SERVICE is held every Lord's Day beginning with the Processional by the Zion White-Robed Choirs, promptly at 2:30 p. m.

All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

For complete information, from week to week, concerning the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING.

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Praise and Testimony Meeting - - - at 7:45 P. M.

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Praise Prayer and Testimony Meeting

Every Wednesday - - - - - at 8:00 P. M.

Deacon William M. Wigham

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Colfax 5819

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General Manager

Administration Building

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Eat Ye That Which Is Good

Is your stomach converted?

There are many Christians who through ignorance, carelessness, or down-right obstinacy are breaking God's laws every day to their own hurt.

In the last issue of this paper we called attention to some of the horrible diseases that naturally follow eating swine's flesh.

Just because an article can be prepared in a tasty way for the table, does not make it a legitimate article of diet. When God set certain things aside, mentioning them by name, and said "Of these ye shall not eat"—Lev. 11—there was a good reason: it was a Divine pure food law for the benefit of our health. This law has neither been changed or recalled. An animal or fish that was injurious to health then is so now.

The oyster is the river or sea scavenger and lives on the filth that collects from drainage systems, etc., as the pig does on land, it is a great relish to some people, as they swallow the whole thing, even the last meal of dead body that the oyster was fortunate to find just before being taken from its resort; but how frequently deaths have followed from poisoning after having a good meal of these dirty shell fish.

God's rules are plainly given. Keep them or suffer the consequences: but don't blame God for making you sick.

Zion Stores does not handle or sell any item that is contrary to God's Pure Food Laws. It became necessary to produce better substitutes.

Pure Shortening—a vegetable oil and beef product of highest merit—once used always used.

Beef Bacon—a delicious breakfast meat, made from prime selected cuts, pickled and cured in our own plant.

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LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

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Price Five Cents

Work Out Your Own Salvation

BY APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM

CRASS ignorance exists, throughout all Christendom, concerning the great and important subject of Salvation. The generally accepted position seems to be, that salvation is an instantaneous and perfect work.

Nothing could be more foreign to the Word of God!

Salvation, as far as God is concerned, is a completed act. For Jesus "paid it all," and said upon the cross, "It is finished." But as far as man is concerned it is a process, a growth, something to be developed and brought to perfection.

Men speak of salvation as though it were regeneration; and of regeneration as though it were salvation. Regeneration is a definite and completed act of creation, whereby we are "born again" by the Spirit of God. Whereas salvation is not an instantaneous and completed act, but a continuous operation which must be carried to a final conclusion, by the aid of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.

Salvation is a continuous work from the time of regeneration to the time of glorification.

By regeneration we become children of God: by salvation we grow up into the MAN—Christ Jesus.

THE SPIRITUAL BIRTH COMPARED TO THE NATURAL BIRTH

Because one has been "born again" it does not follow that he shall come "unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

No, not any more than that a child shall grow up to manhood. Many things enter in which determine the final outcome.

A baby cannot become a man in a day.

No more can a spiritual babe become a man in Christ Jesus in a day.

"But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren, beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to Salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit, and belief of the truth:

"Whereunto He called you by our Gospel, to the obtaining of the Glory of our Lord Jesus Christ."

II Thessalonians 2:13, 14.

The laws of the spiritual realm operate the same as do the laws of the natural world.

We cannot sow the seed and reap the harvest in a day.

"First the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear."—Mark 4:28.

SALVATION REQUIRES THE WORK OF BOTH GOD AND MAN

Having been "born again"—become a new creature in Christ Jesus—the union with Christ must be maintained, in order for life to continue and fruit to be borne.

Severed from Christ, the True Vine, we can do nothing.

Our works are vain unless God works in us.

"Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

"For it is God that worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure."—Philippians 2:12, 13.

It has been said, that, "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

It is equally true that eternal diligence is the price of salvation.

Because we have been "born again" and see THE KINGDOM is no sign that we shall enter THE KINGDOM or that we shall sit down in THE KINGDOM with Jesus Christ, and Abraham and Isaac and Jacob.

There is no greater fallacy than, "Once a child of God, always a child of God."

"But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."—Matthew 24:13.

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."—Revelation 2:10.

"Behold, I come quickly: hold fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."—Revelation 3:11.

"For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the

will of God, ye might *receive* the promise."—Hebrews 10:36.

"He that *overcometh* shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."—Revelation 21:7.

SALVATION IS NOT ONLY THE BEGINNING BUT ALSO THE END OF FAITH

"Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls."—I Peter 1:9.

Salvation is future as well as present and is yet to be manifested in its fulness.

As one writer has said,

"Salvation is in three tenses:

"The believer *has been* saved from the guilt and penalty of sin.

"The believer *is being* saved from the habit and dominion of sin.

"The believer *is to be* saved in the sense of entire conformity to Christ."

"For now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."—Romans 13:11.

"Being confident of this one thing,—that He Who hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."—Philippians 1:3.

"And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be (were being) saved."—Acts 2:47.

"For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us who are (being) saved it is the power of God."—I Corinthians 1:18.

"By which also ye are (being) saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have *believed* in vain."—I Corinthians 15:2.

"For we are unto God a sweet savor of Christ in them that are (being) saved, and in them (being lost) that perish."—II Corinthians 2:15.

It is easily understood, from the foregoing passages of Scripture, that a complete salvation is not an instantaneous matter.

THERE IS NO SALVATION WITHOUT WORKS

Our salvation is not gained by works of righteousness upon our part, but neither can it be accomplished without works.

"Even so faith if it hath not works is dead, being alone.

"Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: Show me thy faith without works, and I will show thee my faith by my works.

"Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils *also* believe and tremble.

"But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead.

"Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar.

"Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and

BY WORKS WAS FAITH MADE PERFECT?"

—James 2:17-22.

In other words, faith will ever express itself in works. Where there are no works there is no faith—saving faith.

However works of righteousness can never displace faith in Christ!

A perfect salvation is the final outcome of faith and works.

Salvation is not a *reformation*; but a *transformation*.

This is indeed a great mystery!

"But we all, with open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are *changed* into the *same* image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."—II Corinthians 3:18.

O, wondrous truth! The glory of Christ communicated to us! We obtain it through transformation—through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Ghost—changed from glory to glory.

"Man is the image and glory of God."—I Corinthians 11:7.

DEFINITE ACTS AND CONTINUOUS PROCESSES

Regeneration and conversion are definite acts, and they take place in an instant of time. Regeneration is the work of God upon man's spirit and conversion is the turning of man to God. These two operations come together and form parts of a whole and completed work.

Regeneration and conversion are component parts of salvation, but do not in themselves constitute complete salvation.

Love, faith, holiness, sanctification, and perfection are not definite acts, but they are matters of growth and progress, capable of increase and development.

"*Increase* and abound in love."—I Thessalonians 3:12.

"Your faith *groweth* exceedingly."—II Thessalonians 1:3.

"*Perfecting* holiness in the fear of God."—II Corinthians 7:1.

"*Sanctify* them through Thy truth, Thy Word is truth."—John 17:17.

"But let patience have her perfect *work*, that ye *may be perfect*, and entire wanting nothing."—James 1:4.

So that no one can say, at such a date I was made holy, was fully sanctified, or became perfect, in a moment of time.

The completeness of salvation is yet to come.

We are cleansed, and sanctified, and perfected by the Word and the Holy Spirit operating upon our spirits throughout the years of our earthly life.

Repentance, faith, baptism etc. are but foundation principles upon which to build salvation's walls.

Foundations must be built upon or there will be no superstructure.

How unsightly is a foundation upon which nothing has been reared!

How sad to contemplate a Christian's life that has gone no further than the foundation principles and failed to press on toward perfection!

"Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on to perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

"Of the doctrine of baptisms."—Hebrews 6:1, 2.

Christ was made perfect through suffering and there is not another way for His followers to be made perfect.

Christ pressed on to the cross where alone He could say, "It is finished."

"For it became Him, for Whom are all things, and by Whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings."—Hebrews 2:10.

THE SAINTS ARE BEING PERFECTED

The saints are not yet perfect and need the work of the ministry to that end.

"And He gave some apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers;

"For the *perfecting* of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the *edifying* of the body of Christ:

"Till we are all *come* in the *unity* of the *faith*, and of the *knowledge* of the Son of God, unto a *perfect man*, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

"That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

"But speaking the truth in love, *may grow up* into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ."—Ephesians 4:11-15.

THE APOSTLE PAUL WAS CONSCIOUS OF HIS IMPERFECTION

The great Apostle Paul, while a prisoner at Rome, and at the close of his wonderful life, realizing his own imperfection, wrote these words:

"Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."—Philippians 3:12-14.

The above scripture, and many others clearly set forth that salvation is not to be had without persistent effort upon the part of Christians. Yea, and all the figures used in the Word of God are those which demand intense activity.

STRENUOUS ENDEAVOR DEMANDED OF CHRISTIANS BY THE WORD OF GOD

"*Strive* to enter in at the strait gate."—Luke 13:24.

"*Work* out your own salvation."—Philippians 2:12.

"*Press* toward the mark."—Philippians 3:14.

"Fight the good fight of faith,
 "Lay hold on eternal life."—I Timothy 6:12.
 "I have fought a good fight,
 "I have finished my course,
 "I have kept the faith."—II Timothy 4:7.
 "Earnestly contend for the faith."—Jude 3.
 "Let us go on to perfection."—Hebrews 6:1.

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

"For we *wrestle* not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

"Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

"Stand therefore having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

"And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

"Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to *quench* all the fiery darts of the wicked.

"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God:

"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;—"*Ephesians 6:11-18.*

LIFE AND SALVATION THE REWARD OF THE OVERCOMER

"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that *overcometh* will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that *overcometh* shall not be hurt of the second death."—*Revelation 2:7, 11.*

"He that *overcometh*, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

"Him that *overcometh* will I make a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from My God: and I will write upon him My new name.

"To him that *overcometh* will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne."—*Revelation 3:5, 12, 21.*

"He that *overcometh* shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son."—*Revelation 21:7.*

CEASELESS DOING THE PRICE OF LIFE AND SALVATION

There is no easy road to Heaven!
 The sluggard wins no race—no crown!
 Standing water becomes stagnant and breeds miasma and death.

A standing christian mortifies and dies upon his feet, and infects the entire Body.

In motion there is life!

In inactivity there is only death!

Life consists in doing!

"This *do* and thou shalt live."—*Luke 10:28.*

"I can *do* all things through Christ Who strengtheneth me."—*Philippians 4:13.*

"This life is in His Son."—*I John 5:11.*

Let us learn the law of life in Christ Jesus:

"He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it."—*Matthew 10:39.*

"And he said unto them, take heed and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."—*Luke 12:15.*

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

"To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you.

"Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."—*I Peter 1:3-5.*

CHRISTIANS SHALL BE HEIRS OF SALVATION

"But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?

"Are they not all ministering angels, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation."—*Hebrews 1:13, 14.*

Neglect imperils salvation!

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"—*Hebrews 2:3.*

"Tho' clouds of conflict hide my view,
 And foes are fierce and strong,
 In Jesus' Name I'll struggle through,
 And enter Heaven with song."

WORK OUT YOUR OWN SALVATION!

Right-Hand of Fellowship

The following named persons were extended the Right-Hand of Fellowship and received into Fellowship by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION at Central ZION Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois. Lord's Day afternoon, April 2, 1916.

Anderson, David Kirk.....	Illinois
Bullard, Mrs. Annie Jane.....	Illinois
Bartimus, Laura B.	Illinois
Crane, Cecil W.	Illinois
Crane, Mrs. Christina Louise.....	Illinois
Dutnall, Mrs. Blanche.....	Illinois
Fulmas, Mr. Samuel.....	Illinois
Johnson, Mrs. E. M.	Illinois
Koster, Gertrude	Illinois
Koster, Martha	Illinois
Leipziger, Mrs. Minnie.....	Illinois
Lucas, Mrs. Carrie V.	Illinois
Lund, Alma Kadensia.....	Illinois
Mallory, Mrs. Margaret.....	Illinois
Mallory, Miss Susie E.	Illinois
McCroskey, Mrs. Elizabeth R.	Minnesota
Nelson, N. A.	Illinois
Peck, Mrs. Anna	Illinois
Riley, Mrs. E.	Illinois
Sanders, Elizabeth	Illinois
Ward, Mrs. M. W.	Illinois
Ward, Nora	Illinois

Prophetic Utterances from the Word of God

"Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you.

"Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten.

"Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.

"Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth.

"Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.

"Ye have condemned and killed the just; and he doth not resist you.

"Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

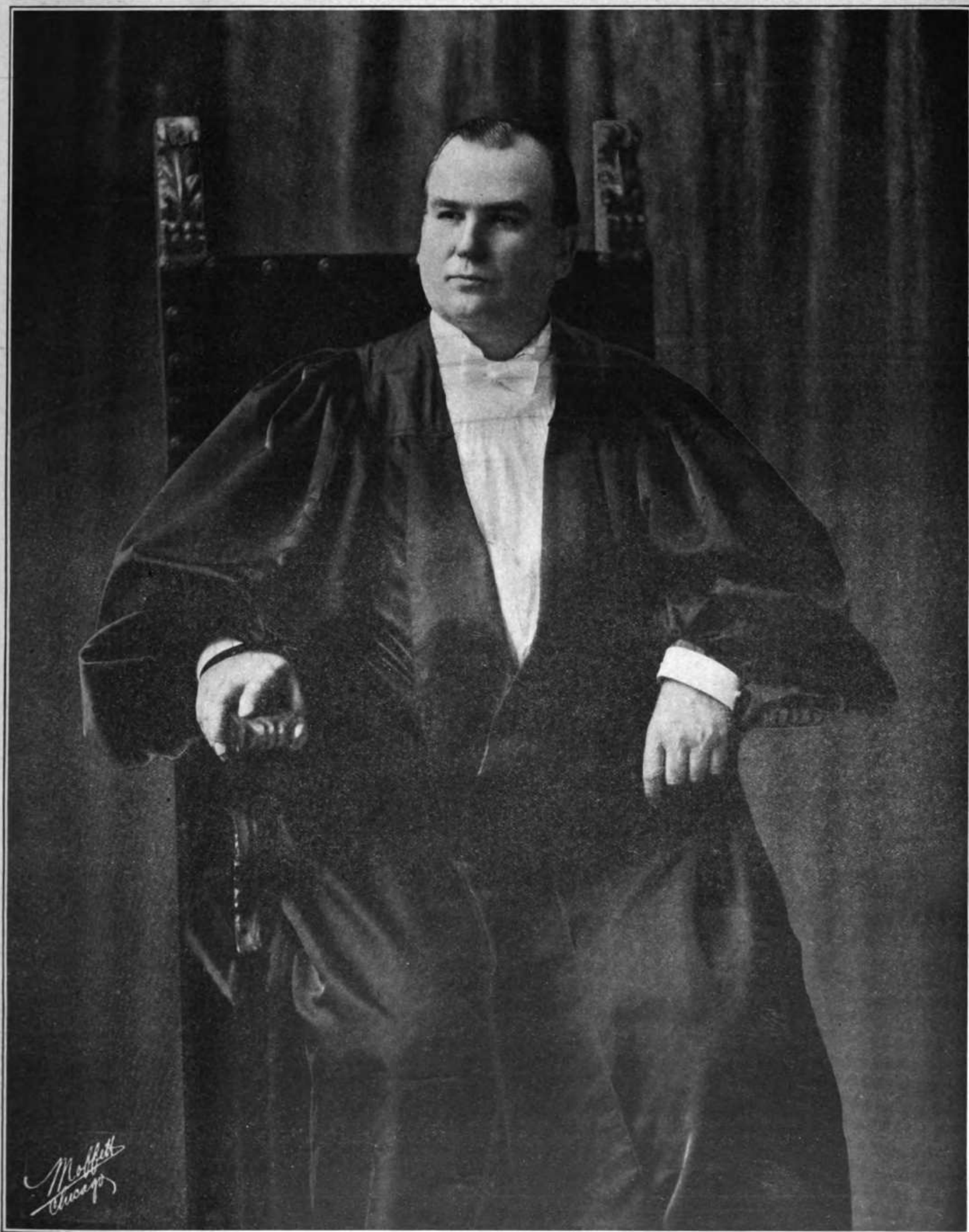
"Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."—*James 5:1-8.*

Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois,
Lord's Day, April 2, 1916.

I am instructed by the General Overseer to announce to the Officers, Members, and Friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, his Engagement to Miss Ida R. Emanuelson—the wedding, which will be private, will take place the latter part of May.

Eustace L. Carey

Apostle and General Ecclesiastical
Secretary—Christian Catholic Apostolic
Church in Zion.



THE GENERAL OVERSEER



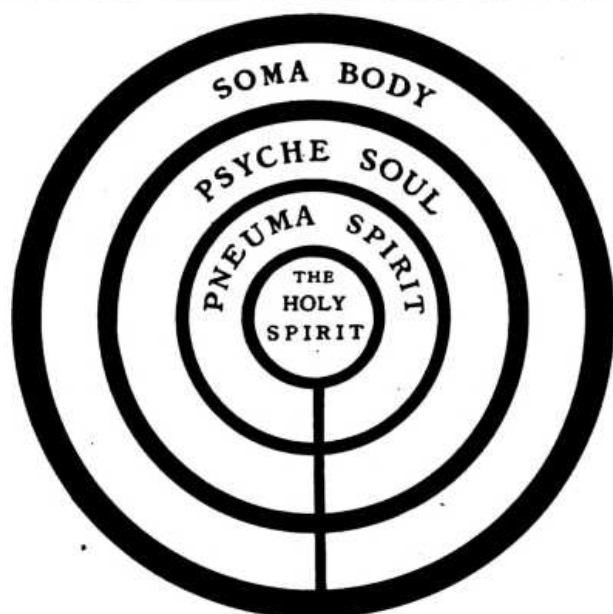
MISS RUTH VOLIVA
(16 years old)
THE DAUGHTER OF THE GENERAL OVERSEER



MISS IDA R. EMANUELSON

Sanctification of Spirit, Soul and Body

By The Rev. John Alexander Dowie



*The central circle of the diagram is of GOLD color (the Holy Spirit), the next is WHITE (man's spirit), the next BLOOD RED (the soul), and the outer circle CARNATION (the body). The line running from the central circle to the outer circle is of GOLD, and is used to illustrate the FLOWING of the Holy Spirit through the entire three-fold nature of man, thus sanctifying him wholly, and preserving him entire and without blame.

TEXT

Abstain from every form of evil.

And the very God of Peace sanctify you wholly; and may your Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it.

An Exhortation, a Petition, and a Promise

There are three things in these three verses. First, the Exhortation: "Abstain from every form of evil." Second, the Petition: "And the God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly, and may your Spirit (*Pneuma*) and Soul (*Psyche*) and Body (*Soma*) be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Third, the Promise: "Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it."

Obey the Exhortation

Now in order to understand the Petition or Prayer for Entire Sanctification, the first thing is to know that we can make no advance toward the point of getting an answer until we have obeyed the Exhortation. The command of God is absolute. Abstain! To abstain is to be separate, by a determination of the heart and will of the most irrevocable nature, from all appearance, or, as in another reading, *every form* of evil.

Some declare that to be an impossibility, and say it is beyond the power of the Christian to be absolutely separate from evil in every form.

Let me say to such an one, you will make no progress whatever in the Divine Life so long as you hold such a conviction. It is possible, more, it is certain, that *if we will*, we can be absolute abstainers from every form of evil. God never commanded us to do anything which He did not give us the power to perform.

God Gives Needed Power

God never laid upon us any responsibility without endowing us with adequate strength. That command is not given to

us with any thought in God's mind that it is impossible for us to obey it. It would be cruel, it would be wicked, if such a thing were possible, for God to command us to do something that we have no power to do.

I grant you that of your own power you never could do this. I grant you that without Divine Power you can do nothing in Divine Life; but He who gives us the Divine Command endows us with Divine Power and has said, "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you."

I grant you that without the Power of the Holy Spirit, obedience is impossible. It is a command which is addressed to the Christian, to those, therefore, who have a right to call upon God for the needful power to obey His own commands.

The President of the United States has a right, as the executive head of this government, to call upon every officer of the government, and to call upon every citizen of the United States, to spend their last dollar and their last drop of blood in the maintenance of this nation's life. And why? Because the President of the United States is charged with the maintenance of the national existence, and if God lays upon us any executive responsibility, He gives us also the power to call upon all the resources of heaven.

If it took the last angel in the whole of the heavens. God is absolutely bound, if He has laid upon us any responsibility, and told us to do anything, to find for us the Power to do it, if He has to search the universe to get the Power. It is absurd to talk for a moment of God having given a command and not giving us the power to obey it.

I grant you we are in a world of sin, full of subtle forms of sin, for the wile of the serpent and the guile of the serpent is everywhere; and the poison of the serpent is throbbing, by nature, in every vein, in disease, and in the subtle forms of evil. Yet, notwithstanding these facts, I say to you today that He who said, "Abstain from every form of evil," will give you the needed Power, if you will faithfully call upon Him to supply it.

I Know What Heredity Is

We all know, in a measure. Many people are born into this world cursed by hereditary transmissions of moral obliquity and diabolical passions and of physical infirmities which are the direct inheritance of their parents' transgressions. The fathers eat the sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge. The sins of the fathers are visited upon the generations following.

No man can smoke tobacco and defile his body with nicotine poison; no man can drink alcohol and injure his brain and liver, and pollute his body, with that dreadful poison; no man can break the law of moral purity and mingle with the harlot, and not receive the wages of transgression.

No man can lie or steal, no man or woman can live a lustful life, and not transmit something of their diabolical passion to the generation following; and we who are the inheritors of the virtues and of the vices of our forefathers have an inheritance very largely made up of the vices. It is only fair to say it.

Whence Do We Spring?

It is not so long ago that our forefathers were painted savages living in the very depths of degradation, for when the first missionaries came to British soil, they found them not far removed from the savage. They had sunk into a barbarism that was extreme. They had an idolatry that was dreadful. The priests were teaching the people that they must sacrifice the fruit of their body for the sin of their soul, and human sacrifice, that lowest and deepest degradation of heathenism, was rife among our fathers.

This is the hole from which God has digged us. He dug our race out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay.

Do not let us forget that we are the inheritors of these passions in a measure, and that these evils have been aggravated in these later ages by new vices, especially since Satan has polluted

the earth with rum and whiskey, and beer and gin, brandy and tobacco, and foul living and vile passions, and crime and iniquity of every kind.

We have had terrible additions to our inheritance.

But I say that, notwithstanding this fact, and multiplicity of our miseries and duplicity of sin and Satan, it is possible, and it is certain, that if we obey God, we can live a life apart from sin in every form. I will not believe for a moment that God's command cannot be obeyed. It can and it shall. We must triumph over every sin by His grace.

Sins of Thought First of All

It is in the secret places of the heart that sin is formed.

A murderer is a murderer long before the murderer draws his knife and plunges it in his brother's heart. "Whosoever that hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him."

Adultery has been committed long before the adulterer wrought the act. You can be an adulterer by simply reading one of Quida's novels and thinking her dirty thoughts. "Every one that looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."

Do not forget that "the thought of iniquity is sin."

And so it is with idolatry. Idolatry does not mean that you shall bow your knee to a god of wood or stone; some heathen image of heathen superstition.

God's Word has said that "Covetousness is idolatry." When you covet, you worship the thing you covet. You worship it, and you bow down to it; you serve it, and you live for it; you lie for it, and you die for it. Coveting anything is idolatry.

God's Word goes deep, and strikes first at the thought of the heart, and bids us to know as Christians that which David said, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear." The thought of iniquity is sin, and therefore we should ask God to separate us from evil thought.

How Can a Man be Separated From Evil Thought?

I can be separated, if the thought and mind of God possesses my thought, and mind, and heart. I can only be separated from evil by being controlled and possessed by God. There is no other way of separation. As a Christian (and I am speaking to Christians) I can only be separated from evil by the power of the Holy Spirit separating me, by the power of the Holy Spirit possessing me, and making me to hate evil with an intensity that is divine. "Ye that love the Lord hate evil."

A False Theology

There is a false theology abroad today which in many subtle forms is cursing humanity, teaching humanity that evil is good, teaching humanity that evil is only perverted good, teaching humanity that that which men call evil is not evil in reality, and today they want to present us with evil as good.

Beloved friends, it is written in God's Word, and it shall stand forever, "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" We must never forget that evil has its roots in hell, not in heaven, and that it is a deadly sin to declare good and evil to have a common source in God.

May God separate you, by His own Divine operation, from sin in all its forms. He can do it, and He will, if you will let Him.

An Illustration

The other day a man came to my house and said, "Doctor, I have come to ask you to cure me of the tobacco habit. I have long been a slave to it, and I hate my bondage."

I said, "How do you come to ask me to do any such thing?"

"Because I have heard you have cured many people."

I said, "I have never cured any one." He said, "You have healed people."

I said, "I have never healed any one." "Oh, well," he said, "I know what you mean now. You do it through God."

I said, "I do not." "Well," he said, "how is it, then?"

I said, "God does it through me." He said, "It is all the same."

I said, "It is not. There is a mighty big difference. I did

not do it through God, but God did it through me." "Well," he said, "that is all right; will you cure me?"

I said, "You are going right back as if I had not said anything. I never cured any one." "Well, I want you to cure me through God."

"You are going right back," I said. "Well, may God cure me through you?"

I said, "Yes, that will do. Go to the meeting about to begin in the Tabernacle. I will pound into you about your sins for an hour or so, and then you will find that your sin lies deeper than the tobacco habit, and that the only way to get free from the tobacco habit is to get free from all your sins. Now, I expect you are a pretty considerable sinner, to look at you. In the first place there is no doubt about your being a stinkpot, for I smell you are. It has taken many years to make you smell as you do. In the second place, it is quite clear to me that you are not a Christian." He said, "No, I am not."

I said, "We will ask God to make you a Christian."

He came over here. I preached about repentance, and preached repentance for every sin toward man and God, and, at the close, that man arose with hundreds in this meeting, and confessed his sins to his God.

The tobacco held a very small corner compared to his other sins. They stood before him, and between him and his God, and then he saw that he could never stand in the light of God, defiled and foul as he was; that he could never enter heaven until all his sins were forgiven. And he stood here in this meeting, and he sought God for salvation and for purity of Spirit, Soul and Body. He passed out of this place delivered from all sin, and has never touched tobacco since. The tobacco went with all the other sins, and this is the way to get rid of sin. Let them all go together.

God does set us free, and I have known men, many of them, slaves to evil habits of all kinds, slaves to intoxicating drinks, and evil passions of every kind, whom God has set free. God can do it, and He does. Then by the Grace of God today, stand up in this Tabernacle and leave your sins with your Saviour, and open your heart to receive by the Spirit of God the power that not only sets you free, but keeps you free.

Then What Will God Do?

A Christian man's life has only begun when he is liberated from sin. When he is saved he is like a man drawn out of a river, who was drowning, thrown upon the bank, panting; he is alive, but if you do not do something for him, the poor, wretched man may die, even upon the banks of the river. I see a great many people in that condition. They are supposed to be saved, and they remain there upon the banks of the river—saved, but they never get far away from the borders of the River of Death out of which they were dragged.—They never have strength to go far from it.

Somehow they know nothing at all about a holy life. They stand by the River of Death, and cry, "I am saved."

Now suppose that I saw some one, in this very cold weather, fall into the Chicago River, where the ice is broken, and they are keeping it open by means of these steam tugs. (The Lord forbid that I should ever fall into the Chicago River!) But suppose I was to see this miserable man choking in the filth of the Chicago River, and that I hear him cry, "I am drowning, save me!" I take the poor fellow out at the risk of my own life and fling him upon the bank, and say, "There, now you are saved. Get away from this filthy river."

Now, what would you think of such a man, if he always wanted to live on the banks of that river, to live in an atmosphere of filth, and every now and then drink of its disease-breeding water? You would say, "That man is a fool. He is saved from that filthy river, why doesn't he go away from the river?"

Some Christians are living just that way. They never get away from the river of sin and death.

I propose to show you this afternoon what God wants. God wants to take you and save you, not only from your sins and their consequences, but, beloved friends in Christ, wherever my words can reach you, I want to proclaim to you that the God that saves you from your sins, wants to save you to something, as well as from something.

God Wants to Save You to a Life of Righteousness and Purity

How is He going to do it? By leading your feet from the River of Death; by leading you into "green pastures and beside

the still waters;" by restoring your Spirit, Soul and Body, and making you to "walk in paths of righteousness for His Name's sake." To give you power as you "walk through the valley of the Shadow of Death."

That "valley" is not at the end of the Christian's journey. It is in the middle, as John Bunyan put it.

Go through the Valley of the Shadow of Death with Christ. Go through the Valley of Weeping and make it a pool of blessing, going from strength to strength.

God wants you to do this, and He, therefore, gives you His Spirit within you to enable you, by His grace, to be something more than merely saved from sin, to make you pure in Spirit, and in Soul, and in Body. Hence the prayer that the "God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly."

An Exposition of the Three-Fold Nature of Man

Let me call your attention to the diagram (see page 32) which I have used for many years in delivering this lecture. It shows you the tripartite nature of man, and the indwelling nature of God. As you see, I have represented the Holy Spirit by the golden circle in the center of all. Our Spirit as this white circle, our Soul as this red circle, and this light carnation on the outside as the Body.

The three words used in speaking of man's being are Pneuma (Spirit), Psyche (Soul), and Soma (Body).

I want to speak to you clearly regarding this tripartite nature of man.

We are not a duality, composed of Soul and Body, but we are a trinity composed of a Spirit, Soul and Body, and I want to make that as clear as I can without being too technical.

What is the Essential Difference Between the Spirit and the Soul?

Let me call your attention, first, to this fact, that when God made man, He said, "Let us make man in Our image, after our likeness" (Genesis 1:26). That is a very remarkable fact. Then it is added, "And God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He Him; male and female created He them."

What is the image of God?

The Theosophists falsely declare that God consists of two parts, Father God and Mother God, and speak of *Theosophia*, "the Wisdom of God," as the feminine part of God's nature; and this error of making God a duality is common to many forms of false religions, both in ancient and modern times. The spread of Theosophy in this country has made the people ready to welcome Esoteric Buddhism, and all other kinds of heathenism.

It has made possible a World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago. Why? Because they do not know the glory and fullness of the Divine Revelation in the Bible. They thought the best thing for the United States of America was to import the representatives of all the Eastern superstitions, and the religions of Asia, and dump them down upon the Lake Front, just as if we had not enough rubbish there already.

Vanity Fair—Chicago's Disgrace

The Devil did this during the recent Vanity Fair held in Chicago. I say this "infamous Vanity Fair," for if there was anything that ever cursed Chicago and defiled it, it was the World's Fair. It cursed this whole country, and made this City of Chicago to be indebted to the whole country with a deep and awful debt, namely, the degradation which Chicago inflicted upon the tens of thousands of young men and women who came to this city at that time.

Here all the immoral heathen dirt and filth that could be gathered from Egypt and from the islands of the sea, from Persia and from elsewhere, was found.

We lived here at its gates through it all. It took Divine Grace to live through it.

This city was wholly given over to the idolatry of the flesh. It was held in the grip of the world and it was ruled by the Devil.

Chicago owes a deep debt to the whole of the United States and to the world, and to man.

I thank God that our little Zion Tabernacle here floated its flag throughout the whole of that Vanity Fair, proclaimed the Supremacy of Christ as Lord of all; and now that the White City has passed away in smoke and blood and fire, Zion Taber-

nacle shines forth in the glory of God, and is sending forth a Message to the Nations.

The mayor who vaunted that he had married the city, and on the day of his assassination declared that he was strong and was going to live for fifty years, in two hours after his boast died with an assassin's bullet in his body. That was only one distinguished murder which the whole world knew; but I proclaim here from this platform the statement that not less than one thousand persons lost their lives within Jackson Park from the time the first sod was turned until the time that the Fair was closed.

They died like flies when it was building. Men fell from high scaffolds and from high arches daily, and such was the influence and power of the directors that they simply rang up the ambulance and carried them off to their graves.

The Press and the Pulpit were silent for the most part, and little or nothing was ever said about it.

The city authorities allowed intoxicating drinks to be sold in this prohibition district, and the police had instructions to permit harlots and gamblers to pass unmolested, for the mayor said, "It's a great year, and we must have an open city."

But there is a God in the Heavens, and the Fair closed in blood and in fire and in smoke. But the "Little Wooden Hut," Zion Tabernacle, in which we stand today, has its flag. "Christ is All," still floating, and God's voice is being heard.

If I can do anything to help Chicago redeem its shame, may God help me, for I would like to do it. I think we are doing a little. Just a little. God help us to do more. My spirit is deeply stirred with the memories of that year of Crime and Shame and Vanity.

I have made quite a digression there but I am coming back again.

Among the wretched things of this Fair, the most disgusting was the Parliament of Religions.

It means more than pollution of the body, it means the pollution of the minds of the people. It made them think that all religions were good, and that the religions that taught Mohammedanism and Buddhism and Brahminism had so much good in them that we ought to study them and get the good out of them. Just as if we had lost faith in God and in the supremacy of Christ and the Christian religion, we must needs study these false and filthy religions and hear their representatives, who hid all the foul realities and presented only the brilliant Oriental lie.

You would think to hear these leaders talk that Mohammedanism was a very Divine and majestic kind of religion. You would forget that Mohammedanism teaches that woman has no spirit, that the only thing to be done with woman is to treat her as a beast. And there were some women fools enough to admire the eloquence of these scoundrels.

Where is there any more degraded part on God's earth than where "the false prophet's" religion rules.

It is a true proverb that "where the hoof of the Moslem comes, no grass grows." Mohammedanism has defiled every land it has ever touched.

Of course we know it. Some of us know it better than others.

But the masses of people do not know what Dr. Pentecost has said, that Brahminism makes immorality of the filthiest kind a part of its worship, and that as it was essential to be immoral to worship the Goddess Aphrodite or Venus in Grecian Mythology, so it is essential to be immoral, as immorality is a part of Brahminism.

The priestesses of certain temples are "religious" harlots. Yet today we are presented in Chicago with Theosophy, Brahminism, Buddhism, and all these things, because false Christian shepherds called a Parliament of Religions.

The Divinity—Constructed Image of God

Now I want to call your attention to the divinely-revealed construction of man, and to show you that the study of this is destructive to this false Theosophy theology.

God created man, male and female, but how did He create them?

The coming glory of the Christian Revelation is the complete Manifestation of God in Man.

It was Christ who revealed to us the Father. It is Christ who has revealed to us Himself as the Son. It is Christ who has revealed to us the Holy Ghost. It is Christ who has revealed in

Himself the Tripartite God, and the coming glory of Christianity is the Tripartite Man.

The revelation of God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, is that of three Persons in one God, and one God in three Persons.

Some one says that is easily stated, but it is impossible of intelligent belief. I say it is more possible of belief to me than anything in the Word of God, and for this reason: that we have the illustration of it in the Divine Organization of our own being. God made man to have a Spirit, Soul and Body—one man in three parts, and three parts in one man.

Human philosophy and ordinary Christian pulpit-teaching have made man to have only two parts—soul and body—and confounded soul and spirit.

Now, what is the difference between the spirit and soul?

I must, at the risk of being charged with being technical, make plain to you some very neglected teaching in this matter—teaching which the Church of God almost wholly misses.

In doing this we have to show, first of all, how God made the lower creation, and then how God made man. If we study by the light of the Holy Scripture these two points, we shall see the difference between the lower creation and man, and thereby make clear the tripartite nature of man.

Take your Bibles, and read the twentieth verse of the first chapter of Genesis. "And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life." The margin says that word *life* is "living soul" in the original tongue. Then you see that this passage teaches that the fish of the sea all have "souls." It does not say they have a "spirit," but they all have "souls."

Let us go to the thirtieth verse: "And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to everything that creepeth upon the earth wherein there is life." Margin again says the Hebrew is a "living soul." The passage teaches distinctly that every beast of the earth and every fowl of the air has a living soul.

You are sometimes asked, "What is the soul?" These passages supply the answer. The soul is the animal life. The soul is not spiritual at all, and one of the most stupid things a Christian can do is to argue for the "immortality of the soul." I shall presently show you how right it is to argue for the immortality of the spirit, but, let me warn you, never argue for the immortality of the soul. You will plunge yourself into a sea of confusion if you do, and give your adversaries an essential advantage which will put you to shame.

Christians Make a Tremendous Blunder by Confounding Soul and Spirit

If you refer to the Epistle to the Hebrews you will see that it is "the Word of God which makes this distinction, a distinction unknown, for the most part, to Christian theologians, who are very largely teachers of a false theology. They are as blind as bats to the essential difference between spirit and soul, and talk about the salvation of "the soul" when they mean "the spirit."

This passage is in the fourth chapter of Hebrews, twelfth verse, and says (Revised Version): "For the Word of God is living, and active."

Yes, the Word of God is not dead.

Some folks think it is dead, and that the only thing alive is the dominant clique of the day in religion, politics and the press.

But these are not "living." They are *dead*, and the only misery is that so many dead things and dead men are not buried. Lots of things are dead and are rotting upon this earth that ought to have been buried long ago.

God the Almighty and All-merciful gives opportunity for the dead dry bones to live, and the Word of Life is a Gospel to the "dead in trespasses and sins." But, alas, they do not want to live. They call death, life; and good, evil; and they put darkness forward as being light.

What does it say here? "The Word of God is living, and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and quick, to discern the thoughts and intents of the heart."

It is the Word of God, then that shows the division between soul and spirit.

I want to argue upon that for a minute or two. I have stated to you that the condition of the creation of the lower creatures is that they have souls and bodies. Let me show you from the Word of God, what the creation of man is.

Look at the second chapter of Genesis, seventh verse: "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground." That is the body. Do not make any mistake about it. Our bodies are dust, and the vainest woman who carries a millinery shop on the top of her head, and the most foolish woman who purchases her complexion in the paint-shop, or the silliest dude, is only a bag of dust.

It is foolish for a woman to be vain, but there is no being upon God's earth so supremely contemptible as the fool of a man who spends all his life studying dress, cookery, society manners, and sets the Fashion for the Four Hundred or the One Hundred and Fifty of Chicago or New York. Such a man lives the life of a fool and dies the death of a dog. I say that upon God Almighty's earth, there is no spectacle so sad as the society dude who spends all his time in setting the fashions for the world, that he may please the flesh and the Devil.

Society Women are Fools, but a Society Man is a Monster of Iniquity

He dies, but his evil example finds many imitators.

Such people have been the curse of every age and nation. Sensual and luxurious living has been the downfall of every nation. So-called Christian men and women today are spending upon the adornment of the flesh money enough to enable the Church to redeem the world.

Cleopatra dissolved pearls in her wine cup and Marc Antony drank it to his damnation. The pearls of true manhood are being dissolved in the wine cup of passion.

Remember that God will judge you for all vanity and for all that is spent in adorning your body and damning your spirit; for some of you are doing that. Not that I am opposed to proper attention to the dress. I think it is natural, I think it is right, in a measure for taste to be shown by women in the construction of their dress, and I do not believe that God is glorified in a woman wearing the ugliest gown and bonnet she can get. I do not object to the Salvation Army woman wearing a poke bonnet if she likes and may God bless her in doing so, if she can wear it for Christ and without vanity. But let me tell you, there can be a good deal of vanity in a pride which apes humanity, and in wearing a plain black poke bonnet, you can be vain and censorious in spirit. There is a happy medium, where propriety is not lost and where vanity is not fostered. It is good to dress in such a way as will be pleasant to the eye.

God does not forbid color. When He makes a rainbow, He puts all the colors in it. The City of God has its foundations of the most beautiful and precious stones, and the streets are paved with gold.

Do not mistake my meaning. I say it is right to combine color if you can without vanity; but I say it would be far better for all if Christians would study less about pleasing the flesh and spend more upon God's work, in rescuing a poor, down-trodden, hungry, weary, overworked, sin-stricken, and disease-smitten humanity for whom Christ died, and for whom He bids us live.

I call your attention to the fact that this body is dust. Do not give the dust too much honor; but be sure you keep the dust clean. A good many people do not keep themselves clean. They are sick because they do not use enough soap and water. They do not take care of the body. Take care of it. "God formed man out of the dust of the ground." That is the body.

But let us consider the other two parts. Let me again quote the passage describing man's creation (Genesis 2:7): "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."

The body of "dust" has already been sufficiently considered. "The breath of life" which God "breathed" into man is the "spirit;" and the "living soul" which man "became" is the "soul" or animal life, distinct and separate in all respects from the "spirit."

Man is Composed of Three Parts

God imparted to man His own spirit and nature. God is "the Father" of man's spirit. He is the Father of the Spirit, but not of the soul. He is the Maker of the Soul and Body, but not the Father of it.

There is a great distinction between maker and father. What I make is external to me. That of which I am father is my procreation, for God makes us the reproductive beings we are, and we are therefore called fathers and mothers. God is the

Father of our Spirit. We do not get that from our fathers and mothers. We get Souls and Bodies by natural generation from our parents, but our Spirits are from God, who is the Father of the Spirits of man.

Remember this at all times clearly, that we have a Spirit, a Soul and a Body—one man in three parts and three parts in one man.

Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself shows us the tripartite nature in perfection. He had a Spirit wholly Divine. He was "the Son of God." He had the Soul and Body, "the seed of the woman." He was the "Son of Man." In Christ, "the second Adam," we see a perfectly pure Spirit, "a quickening Spirit," as the Scriptures say: that is, "a life-giving Spirit."

Adam had not that Spirit, but Christ had that power in Himself, and he is "a life-giving Spirit." In Christ you see the perfection of this three-fold nature, and also see the proof of what I have alleged.

First, the Body of Christ was like our bodies, a human body. It was pure and sinless because of God's origination; but it was an animal nature, free from "corruption," inasmuch as His mother was the Holy Blessed Virgin Mary. She was made to be Holy by the Power and Presence of the Holy Spirit entering into her and "preparing" her for the Divine Conception.

I do not for a moment affirm that she herself was conceived without sin, nor do I agree with the Roman Catholic doctrine of the Immaculate Conception, but the Scriptures plainly teach (especially Luke 1:34, 35) that she was "prepared" by the Holy Spirit, so that "the soul," or animal nature, should be free from corruption in every drop of blood, and that "the body" of Christ should be in all respects "a holy thing."

Mary is a very perfect illustration of how the Holy Spirit can, and does, wholly sanctify the "Spirit, Soul and Body:" for she was so sanctified as a preparation for the motherhood of the Son of God. Christ's Soul was, therefore, a merely human Soul, but His Spirit was Divine.

To prove what I say now, namely, that the soul is temporal and not eternal, I want to point out to you that Christ's Soul "died."

The prophet Isaiah said that God would make His "Soul a sacrifice for sin," that He would "pour out His Soul unto death."

Christ Himself said, "My Soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death." Then His Soul died. He said Himself, "I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd giveth His Life for the sheep." The word translated "Life" there is *Psyche*, Soul. In the tenth chapter of John the word *Life* should be translated Soul. "The Good Shepherd giveth His Soul for the sheep." There is no question about it. "Christ poured out His Soul unto death."

The Soul, then, is the Animal Life

God gave that Soul to Adam and Eve, and gave them Bodies, so that through our first parents we have the transmission of their nature, their soul and their bodies. That fact puts an end to the Evolution theory. This is a far reaching truth.

Let me then sum up, and ask you to get the force of what I am now saying before I close this lecture, because I do not want to weary you. Some folks cannot stand too much hard thinking, especially when it upsets all their former notions.

Some of you have been all your lives defending the "immortality of the soul," and you have been taught to do so by your ministers, who do not like to confess that they have been teaching error. They find a good many things in our teaching they do not want to be taught. But the time is not far distant when they will have to stop speaking about Soul as if it were Spirit and to distinguish, as God's Word does, between Soul and Spirit. Many serious errors have crept into theology because of this. Christians have been arguing for the immortality of the Soul, and the infidel has been flogging you with the Bible every time.

The infidel quotes Scripture at you, and flings at your head "The Soul that sinneth, it shall die," "Christ poureth out His Soul unto death," etc. The infidel asks you, when you are arguing for the immortality of the Soul, "How can a thing be immortal that can die?"

The infidel has you, and instead of your admitting the fact, you begin to quibble or to get angry and say he is going to hell, or something of that kind. That does not answer him. The infidel has you; the infidel is right, and the infidel is right in rejecting a good many things that the ministers teach; and I will admit that.

The infidel is right in saying that if God is the Author of disease, God is not a God Whom any man can love. If God is the Author of disease no man can love Him.

Who could love Him if He were the wilful corrupter of His own creation? Who could love a hand that would impart to humanity countless miseries?

The infidel is right there.

Christ taught us that God is not the Author of disease, but the Author of health and life. The infidel has the truth on his side every time when he fights the Church upon that line.

The Church, by its false theology, is giving the infidel a great advantage, and it is not the only advantage he might have; for if I were an infidel, I could do more damage to what passes for Christianity than any infidel in existence; Ingersoll not excepted. Not that I could really damage Christianity, but I could damage the pulpit theology of today, and I am going to damage it. Nineteen-twentieths of it wants sweeping away. (Hearty Amens from the audience.)

An "Ocean of Oblivion"

When I was a little boy, I was once asked what I thought about election, predestination, etc., as defined by Calvin. I got hold of a new word that day. The word was "oblivion."

I was thinking of this when I was asked this question. A number of persons were discussing it in Edinburgh, in my father's house, and amongst them was the Rev. Mr. Johnson, Chaplain of the Edinburgh Jail, who saw something in my face that impelled him to ask the question, "What does the laddie think?" I was glad to be appealed to, and I had an opinion all ready. It had been forming in my heart all night, and I was sitting listening to them affirming that absurd and monstrous lie which no man can honestly believe, that God Almighty from all eternity had predestined some people to be damned, and some people to be saved. Do what they would, they would be damned, and do what they would, they would be saved: for the great and eternal God could even justly damn for eternity unbaptized infants.

Some of these gentlemen were high Calvinists; some low Calvinists.

As I sat there and listened, I studied the word "oblivion." I had found that oblivion meant utter forgetfulness, utter annihilation. I was sitting thinking about all these things, when they asked me what I thought about it all.

I said, "Mr. Johnson, I think the best thing to do would be to throw the whole thing into an Ocean of Oblivion!" And I have been confirmed in that conclusion as I have grown older.

If nineteen-twentieths of the trash that is taught in the Universities and Theological Seminaries were thrown into an Ocean of Oblivion, you would be better men and women. It has taken me a long time to get rid of much that was taught to me in the name of Christian theology.

Let Us Get One Practical Point

I want to settle this question as to the separation of Soul and Spirit: for this separation gives an answer to an error, and a very serious error, the doctrinal error which is called "conditional immortality."

There is no more dangerous falsehood. I may grieve some persons by saying it, who may be true Christians, but there is no more dangerous falsehood than the falsehood which teaches that man is not essentially immortal, but that man is only conditionally immortal, and that, therefore, a man, if he is not saved, will be annihilated utterly; that his spiritual nature will pass away like his psychical and physical nature, and that, unless he is a Christian, he will not live forever.

I want to tell you that is a dangerous lie, for this reason: If a man sees that he can die like an animal, he will in thousands of cases live like one. When you tell a sinful man he is to die like a dog, then he says, "I will live like a dog." He will without compunction live like a brute, and reduce his manhood to brutality of every kind. No brute ever made by God will live as vilely as such a man will live. Let that man see that there is no hereafter, and no penalty for sin, and he will live a life of such abounding wickedness that only hell itself can find an equal to it. Conscience would be almost annihilated. It is so even now in multitudes by reason of a want of Divine life, such as can only come through the Word of God and the Spirit of God.

I call attention to the fact that every one of those who were

disobedient in the days of Noah were living in the days of Christ. For more than three thousand years their miserable spirits lived in the hope of Christ's redemption. And he came to them in the fulness of time, as is shown in 1 Peter 3:19, 20. He descended into Hades. He "preached unto the spirits in prison, which aforetime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God had waited in the days of Noah."

They had been in hell for thousands of years. They were not annihilated, even though damned. They were living.

The Spirit lives beyond the grave. The Spirit of the just man is "made perfect" in heaven, even as the Spirit of the evil man may be made viler in hell. And they lived in the depths of hell.

Association with good helps you to be better. Association with evil makes you worse. The Spirit that continues to live in sin and hell must grow worse; the Spirit that lives in heaven must get better.

But I tell you this in Christ's Name, God is the Father of this Spirit; the Spirit of man shares the nature of the Father. Therefore, since God is immortal, so are we; since our Father is eternal, so are we. But, on the other hand, if our Spirit is not immortal, neither is God's; because we have His nature, "we are His offspring," and we share His nature.

There are some things about these statements which will lead to very serious discussion, but I will not enter upon them now. I have many things to say that I will say hereafter. But I am absolutely opposed to conditional immortality. The "Soul" perisheth; but the "Spirit" is imperishable. That is the difference. Christian ministers for the most part have not distinguished between the Soul and the Spirit.

I will finish this lecture by saying that God's desire is that every part of our nature shall be sanctified, not merely Spirit, but Soul and Body; and, therefore, God wants every drop of our blood to be cleansed. He demands the consecration of our whole being. He has said, "He is the Saviour of the Body." These bodies were made to be the "Temples of God," an "Habitation of God through the Spirit." Hence I entreat you now in the words God inspired the Apostle Paul to utter in Romans 12:1,2—

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And be not fashioned according to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

An Appeal

I close this address today by requiring you to present yourselves in Spirit and Soul and Body to God, and to beseech God in His infinite mercy to sanctify your whole being. Brothers and sisters, will you do it? Oh, I pray that there will not be one here today who will not seek God *now* for an entire separation from all appearance of evil, and who will not make to God an entire consecration of his Spirit, Soul and Body! Oh, how good it is to know that Christ came to redeem our whole being, not a part of it, and that it is our privilege to claim a perfect redemption! God grant that we may so claim it, and persevere until we possess it!

Let all today, brothers and sisters, who desire to be separated from all appearance of evil, and to make a consecration of Spirit, Soul and Body to God, arise to their feet and make that consecration now. (In a moment hundreds upon hundreds were upon their feet, until more than seven hundred stood.)

I am so glad to see in Zion Tabernacle this great company arise as one man. Those that are standing in these crowded passages and those who are sick and cannot rise, hold up their hands. (Over one hundred who were standing, and a number of invalids lying on cots, or sitting in wheel chairs, held up their hands.)

Brothers and sisters, repeat with me this prayer to God. (Dr. Dowie then spoke the following words, which the people repeated as with one heart and voice, clause by clause, and sentence by sentence, amidst deep silence, except for subdued weeping on the part of many.)

Our God and Father, in Jesus' Name, we beseech Thee to separate us from sin, to give us power to abstain from every appearance of evil, to give us power to consecrate to Thee our Spirit, our Soul, and our Body. Take us by Thy Spirit, and cleanse us. Let us continue to seek until we find, continue to ask until we receive, continue to knock until the door is wide open, until we enter into a perfect redemption for the Spirit, Soul, and Body. Help us to do right, to

restore if we have wronged, to confess our sins in the sight of God and man, and to do that which is good and righteous, for Jesus' sake. And now we give to Thee our Spirits, our Souls, and our Bodies. May we never take them back. Keep them. Hear us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

BENEDICTION

And now, beloved, abstain from all appearance of evil. And may the very God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole Spirit, and Soul, and Body be preserved entire, without blame unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it. The Grace of our Lord Jesus, the Love of God the Eternal Father, the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost, the Eternal Comforter, one Eternal God, abide in you, bless you, keep you and all the Israel of God everywhere, forever. Amen.

SECOND LECTURE

INVOCATION

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and profitable unto this people, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

Dr. Dowie said: In my lecture on the sanctification of the Spirit, Soul and Body, delivered last Lord's Day afternoon, I called your attention to the three-fold character of verses 22, 23, and 24 in the fifth chapter of the First Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians. I then said that the first verse was an exhortation—"Abstain from every form of evil." At some length I dealt with the exhortation.

I dare not attempt to repeat that today, because there is so much more to say, but I want to declare that this exhortation is the basis of the petition and the promise in the next two verses, and it must be obeyed.

God will give you the grace and power to abstain from every form of evil.

Practical Demonstrations

Many men in this room today have been the victims of strong drink and tobacco for long years. Allow me for a moment to ask all who know that God has delivered them from strong drink and tobacco after long years of indulgence in these things, all who have indulged in either one or the other, and whom God has delivered, to put up their hands. (A large number responded.) I knew it, I knew I had been used of God in bringing you stink-pots out of your stinking condition. Thank God, you are now clean.

Now I say, if God can take away from a man in a moment a habit of long standing, there are no bounds to His power, as is shown by these trophies hanging on the wall.

Take those burglar tools. That man was a thief all his life, and the Lord delivered him. These evidences of lifelong misery—crutches, braces, trusses, boots, etc., accumulate day by day and year by year.

God does deliver us from all the sicknesses and diseases that are the consequences of sin.

The moment that a man lays his sickness as well as his sins at Christ's feet, God will give him deliverance.

But the petition is the next thing. "The God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Review of Previous Argument

I took much time last week to show you the difference between the Spirit, Soul and Body, and I did so because it is most important that the distinction between Soul and Spirit should be clearly preserved. I will not repeat the entire exposition, because I expect to publish the lecture in LEAVES OF HEALING, and you can all read it there. But briefly recall that I showed you that the Spirit and Soul are entirely distinct and separate; that man is a tripartite being consisting of Spirit, Soul and Body, and not a duality of merely Soul and Body.

I pointed out to you in the twentieth verse of the second chapter of Genesis, and in the thirtieth verse of the same chapter, reading it with the marginal notes, that God had made the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and the beasts of the forest and every creeping thing to have "souls." Living souls is the reading in the margin.

I pointed out to you that Soul was the animal life, and that the Soul is not immortal; that even the Soul of Christ died. He Himself said, "My Soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death." I pointed out to you that the Soul dies and that the Soul is man's mortal life, the life that we have in common with animals.

And I pointed out to you in the seventh verse of the second chapter of Genesis that God made man to differ from the lower animals, who had only Souls and Bodies; that God created man in His own image. He is a tripartite being then—God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost. He said He would make man in His own image, using the plural form, and that when God made man, He made man to have a Spirit and Soul and Body. Three parts, and yet one man; one man, and yet Three distinct parts.

I pointed out to you that the argument concerning the trinity of God was best enforced by the illustration of man himself, who is a triune being, yet one man.

I then pointed out to you that the Spirit was that which was the "offspring of God." He breathed into man His own Spirit; that man was made of the dust as to the body, and that man "became a living soul," like an animal; but that the part of man which is Divine is that which God breathed into him.

The word breath stands for Spirit, because the Hebrew and Greek words *ruach* and *pneuma* have the significance of wind, or breath, or Spirit. It is written, "come from the four winds. O breath, and breathe upon the slain." There "Breath" is indicative of the Spirit, and when Christ spoke to Nicodemus, concerning the Spirit's regenerating power, He said, "The wind bloweth where it listeth."

When God breathed into man His own breath, it was His own Spirit. As Paul said, "We are His offspring." He speaks of us in his epistles and otherwise as children of God, born of the Spirit.

God is the Father of Spirits, not the Father of Souls. God is not Father of our Souls. He is the *Maker* of our Souls and the *Maker* of our Bodies. He is the *Maker* of the Souls and Bodies of the birds and beasts and insects, but He is not the Father of the snail, nor the Father of the eagle, nor the Father of the whale. God is the Author of their nature in this sense, that He is their *Maker*; but He is our Father, for we have a Spirit.

I contend for the *essential* immortality of the Spirit, not for *conditional* immortality of man as some; and I am absolutely adverse to the teaching which declares man to be conditionally immortal. These teachers confound the immortality of the Soul with immortality of the Spirit. It is not shown in the Scripture that the Soul is declared to be immortal, but the contrary. It is written, "The Soul that sinneth, it shall die."

Christ Himself declared that His Soul would die, but His Spirit never died.

If we are God's offspring, we share His nature. If He is immortal, so are we; and if we are not immortal, neither is He. So that the immortality of our Spirit is essential to the immortality of God Himself. We share the nature of our earthly father Adam, when we share his Soul and Body; and we share the nature of our Father God in Christ, when we share His nature, having received from God a spiritual being when we came into this world.

Time will not permit of my going further into this argument. We did so very fully last week.

Now the question is,

What Does This Prayer Mean?

"May your Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." It is a prayer which is followed by a promise that God "will do it." How is that prayer to be answered? How is God going to purify in this life our polluted souls and unclean bodies? How is God going to answer that prayer of the apostle that this Spirit, this Soul and this Body shall be "preserved entire and without blame" until Christ comes for us?

It is clearly impossible for a man to cleanse his own Spirit, his own Soul, or his own Body. You have all come to that conclusion, I am sure. Man cannot cleanse himself. Nothing is so complete a failure as an attempt to cleanse even the body of man, by man. Every attempt to cleanse the body from disease by man has been an entire failure.

The alleged science of medicine is a complete failure. Doc-

tors and surgeons and their poisons and their knives are all failures.

Sir Astley Cooper, physician to Queen Victoria, has declared: "The science of medicine is founded upon conjecture and improved by murder." What a shocking statement from a man so eminent as to have the royal family in his professional care.

Sir James Johnson, formerly editor of the *Medical Chirurgical Review*, London, says: "I declare, as my conscientious conviction, founded upon long observation and experiment, that if there were not a single physician, surgeon, chemist, druggist or drug on the face of the earth, there would be less sickness and less mortality than now prevail."

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes has declared before the Massachusetts Medical Society: "I firmly believe that if the whole materia medica, except chloroform, wine and opium, could be sunk to the bottom of the sea, it would be all the better for mankind and all the worse for the fishes."

Professor Magendie, the great French physician, whose experiments and teaching are recorded and scattered over the whole earth, addressed the students at the Paris Medical College in the following language: "Gentlemen, medicine is a great humbug. It is nothing like science. Doctors are mere empirics when they are not charlatans. We are ignorant as men can be. I repeat to you there is no such thing as medical science."

Think of it, a man so high in the medical profession as Dr. Magendie is acknowledged to be, lecturing in such a style to a class!

Dr. James Mason Good, the noted author, says: "The science of medicine is a barbarous jargon, and the effects of our medicines in the highest degree unsatisfactory, except, indeed, that they have destroyed more lives than war, pestilence and famine combined."

How does this sound to the people who have a mania for swallowing medicine?

Medicine has failed and surgery has failed. Humanity is diseased, and all attempts to purify the body by any power of man are utter failures.

Now the question is,

How are the Spirit, Soul and Body to be Divinely Purified?

The Apostle Paul declared that this shall be done: "Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it." Here is the positive promise that God will do this work in this life.

Now all the mistakes made in connection with the cleansing of the Spirit are like those we make in connection with the Body and Soul. Man begins at the circumference and attempts to work to the center by beginning upon the Body, and says, "Now I am going to reach the Spirit and Soul by working upon the Body."

God, on the contrary, begins at the center, and works from the center to the circumference. God begins from within. Man begins from without.

It is in vain to attempt to perfectly cleanse either the Body from disease, or Spirit from sin, by anything that you can do from without. Everything must be done from within.

It is the same in every department of nature. All life proceeds from the center, not from without. This is a principle which is perfectly applicable to spiritual things.

God begins, when He wants to cleanse man, not by looking at his tongue and feeling his pulse and shaking his head. But God begins by saying, "My son, give me thy heart." God begins by asking that man, His own child, will surrender his Spirit and open his heart for the King of Glory to come in, so that the Holy Spirit shall take possession of the Spirit, and shall control, and by His own power flow through man's Spirit, Soul and Body, and shall therefore cleanse man wholly. Then the Holy Spirit shall purify, shall quicken and shall make to live every part of the spiritual, psychical and physical nature of man, until the whole work begun from the center shall go out to the utmost circumference, and man's whole being shall be controlled and purified by God.

This is the prayer of the apostle; this is the declaration of the apostle: that God "will do it," by the Eternal Spirit Who has "called" us.

Christ Himself said that His work was to be succeeded by a still greater work. He said that the Eternal Father lived, and had predestined Him, the Eternal Son, to come and fulfil all

the Eternal Will, and by His own sacrifice work out a redemption for Spirit, Soul and Body.

But that redemption was not to be worked out fully by the agency of the Son of God. That redemption was provided by the Atoning Sacrifice of the Son of God, but was worked out by the agency of the Holy Ghost.

Christ Himself declared that He, the Christ had come down to this earth in man's form, that He might show us how, "by the Spirit of God," the Son of Man could work out human redemption by the indwelling "power of the Holy Spirit."

The Lord Jesus Christ declared, "I can of Myself do nothing," and He also said, "The words that I say unto you, I speak not from Myself; but the Father abiding in Me doeth His works."

He was raised from the dead "by the Spirit," and that same Spirit that dwelt in Him is to dwell in us. He declared that His atoning sacrifice, His resurrection and reascension into heaven, were all for the purpose of preparing the way of the Holy Ghost that He might come out "upon all flesh."

The Holy Spirit descended upon those at Pentecost and filled their Spirits, filled their Souls, filled their Bodies, filled their whole being, until He fully possessed them.

Jesus the Fountain of Living Water

Jesus said at the great Feast of Tabernacles, which is symbolical of God's tabernacle in the flesh, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of Living Water." Not only from the Spirit, but through the Body of the believer, shall flow rivers of living water. "But this spake He of the Holy Spirit which was not yet come, because that Jesus was not yet glorified."

The disciples did not understand Jesus at that time, and for the most part the disciples do not understand Him now. For the most part, the power of the Holy Spirit is not understood.

Jesus said, "He abideth *with* you, and shall be *in* you." What a difference in the conditions—the Holy Spirit *with* you, and the Holy Spirit *in* you.

Suppose I have a little child here on this platform, and I hold it by the hand. I dwell *with* the child. It is very different from dwelling *in* the child. Suppose I take the child and dwell *with* him. Is that not one thing helpful to him? He feels stronger because I am with him. But what a difference there is between my dwelling *with* him and *in* him. If I could take my one hundred and eighty-five pounds weight and put it in him, he would be so much heavier, so much taller, and forty-three inches broader in the chest. If I could put my brains and put my forty-seven years of thinking in a ten-year-old boy, he would be transformed into a fifty-seven-year-old boy, and a very different being from what he was before.

You see at once the difference between *with* and *in*. Oh, the difference between the Holy Ghost dwelling *with* you and the Holy Ghost dwelling *in* you!

Before He dwelt *in* Peter, that apostle was a boaster, a coward and a liar; but when He dwelt *in* Peter, he was transformed into a mighty apostle, and manifested humility, courage, truth, faith, hope and love, a very prince of men.

You cannot be a coward and have God in you. No man can fear who has God in him. There are no judges, no legislatures, nor congresses, nor prisons, nor tortures, nor powers on earth or in hell, that can make the man in whom God lives to fear. That is the thing which the world does not understand. That is the thing the Church does not understand.

But when the Spirit of God got into Peter, he understood it, and he went down from that upper room and was no coward. He went down and stood there and preached the Gospel, although he knew it would land him in prison. He stood and told them they were murderers, and had cruelly slain the Prince of Life. He went on preaching, and gave up his life for Christ.

That is the distinguishing characteristic of the Christians of the first century; they that knew God dwelt *in* them. And who is He? The King of Glory. Who is the King of Glory? Who is this Spirit of Might and Glory? The Spirit of the Father and Son Who administers all the power of God.

He is the Executive. It is He who saves; it is He who heals; it is He who sanctifies; it is He who quickens; it is He who carries out the Will of the Eternal Father.

Blessed be God, He has not left the Church or the world.

So now you may see how entire sanctification is to be at-

tained. It is attained *by the indwelling power* of the Spirit, our spirits being first submitted to God's Holy Spirit. If you will surrender your Body, the Holy Spirit will flow through your Spirit into every part of your Soul; for that was the promise of God by the Prophet Joel, the Promise of the Holy Ghost when He said in the last verse of the prophet, "And I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in ZION."

The Spirit of God will flow through every part, and so Paul teaches what Christ affirmed on the day of the Feast of Tabernacles, that the Body shares in this redemptive power, that the Body was designed to be "an habitation for God through the Spirit, a Temple of the Holy Ghost."

Hence God demands the sanctification of your Spirit, your Soul, and your Body; and if you will consecrate your being to God, then God will take possession of that which you consecrate and He will sanctify it. But the consecration must be complete.

God will not take possession of the imperfectly-consecrated being. God will not enter into it. Multitudes of Christians today say they are *saved*; but they are not consecrated, and, therefore, are not sanctified. The Holy Ghost does not live in them at all.

The Apostle Paul when he reached Ephesus found a number of the disciples, and he said unto them, "Did ye receive the Holy Ghost when ye believed?" And their answer was, "Nay, we did not so much as hear whether the Holy Ghost was given." "And he said, Into what then were ye baptized?" And they said, "Into John's baptism." He said, "You have not been baptized with the baptism of Christ. You must be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus." And so he baptized them "into the Name of the Lord Jesus," and as Christ commanded into the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost—a Triune Baptism into the Name of a Triune God. He laid hands upon them that they might receive the Holy Ghost and through His hands the Holy Ghost did enter into them.

Teaching on the Communication of the Holy Ghost

I will say now that this leads to a question that I am not going to shrink, as to the exact means of the communication of the Holy Ghost.

Now I want to be perfectly clear in what I say. There were two occasions on which the Holy Ghost came without any laying of hands on man whatever.

At Pentecost, in the upper room at Jerusalem, and at Cæsarea, in the house of Cornelius.

In the first case, it was to establish the Christian Church amongst the Jews, and in the second amongst the Gentiles. In the first case they were engaged in prayer, and in the second Peter was preaching the Word—there was just so much of the human agency in both cases as contained in faithful prayer and preaching.

These were the only instances in which the Holy Ghost is ever shown to have come in any other way than by laying on of hands; because if you will read the Scriptures diligently, you will see that the gifts of the Holy Ghost were gifts to the whole Church; but they were communicated through apostles, or men bearing apostolic commissions, men upon whom the Holy Ghost had come, such as Timothy or Titus.

I call your attention to these facts:

First, you see clearly that in Samaria when Philip preached and multitudes were healed, yet the Holy Ghost did not come: "for as yet He was fallen upon none of them." This was the condition of the work when the Apostle Peter and John were sent down by the apostles from Jerusalem to Samaria. (Acts 8:14-17.) There were many among them who had been healed and blessed, but the Holy Ghost had not come upon any of them. He was with them, but He was not in them. "Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost."

So also in Ephesus—Acts 19:6, 7—"And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. And they were in all about twelve men." This indicates that this gift of the Holy Ghost, although there were exceptions on the Day of Pentecost and at Cæsarea, Palestine, was conferred upon prepared persons originally by the laying on of hands.

I am bound to make that admission. I am bound not to shrink from dealing with that question. I am going to shirk nothing, God helping me. I shall tell you not what I think but what God says, what God thinks. And I do not care whether it fits in with modern theology or not.

Sometimes people say this is not Methodist doctrine, or Lutheran doctrine, or Baptist or some other denominational doctrine. So much the worse, then, for those doctrines.

One thing is certain, I will preach Bible doctrine only, God helping me.

I am not going to make my doctrine to fit the Church. The only place for many modern doctrines is in some "misfit parlors."

At the same time I do not hesitate to say that God is not limited, and while I declare that these are the facts as to the laying on of hands, I am not going to limit God, because I believe, as the Holy Ghost came upon the people when Peter was preaching the Word, that while I am preaching the Word here today, the same Holy Ghost might come upon every one of you. I am not going to limit God.

The important point for you and me is this:

Are We Willing to Let the Holy Ghost Not Only be With Us, but In Us?

When God comes in He is going to take entire possession.

Brothers, you do not have a dollar in the world. Your money is God's.

When God takes possession of man's Spirit, of man's Soul, of man's Body, He takes entire possession of that man's property. When God is in possession, everything belongs to God; and the distinguishing characteristic of the primitive Church was this, that none of them said that anything he possessed was his own.

The moment that the Holy Ghost takes possession, I have nothing; it is God's. I have no possession of myself. I am God's.

I realize that today in speaking to you; I realize that always in praying with you, and for you. I realize this: that the life and power of God, the Holy Spirit, through my Spirit, my Soul, my Body, is the only power that can be effectual either through my lips in preaching, or my hands in the act of healing.

I am consecrated to God, and God has the power over me and the responsibility for me. So long as I am consecrated to Him, while He maintains my individuality and speaks through me, not neglecting my peculiar organism, yet it is the Holy Ghost that is in possession—the same Holy Spirit that spoke through Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and through Paul and Barnabas. He needs living human agents today as much, perhaps even more, than He did nineteen centuries ago.

The Holy Spirit may be likened to a number of musical instruments. Say that I have before me now a bass instrument, a flageolet, a cornet, and a flute. And now I take them up, one by one, and breathe into them. From the first I get a deep bass; from the flageolet, a sweet, lovely sound; from the shrill cornet I call men to battle; and then I take the flute and breathe through it a sound which is low and sweet. But it is the same breath that breathes through each instrument.

So it is with the differing organizations of men of God. The Holy Spirit takes possession of each, and uses their peculiar organizations to manifest God's glory and promote His work. He uses Martin Luther to strike blows that resound throughout the world. And he uses the organization of a John who leans upon the heart of the Redeemer and tells the sweet story of His love. But it is the same Spirit that breathes through each. God needs all these instruments.

All power and all blessing and every Divine gift we possess today, comes to us in the Holy Ghost, and it is He who must control us, cleanse us and sanctify us. Hence this great prayer, "And may your Spirit and Soul and Body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Hence you see, if any are sick; He heals. How can I be "entire" if my body is sick?

I praise God for what I personally and continually realize. How could I today stand, after the continuous toils of months and years, but for the indwelling presence and power of the Holy Spirit? I have preached from ten to twenty-five times in the week, have prayed for about fifteen hundred sick people individually every week on the average for the twelve last months, have conducted a correspondence consisting of ten thousand letters per year, and by His grace I stand here today without any physical

weariness whatever. Why? Because the God that cleansed my Spirit keeps my Body clean and endues me with His power, and makes my Body His instrument. Unless I were healed and Divinely kept, I could not be this instrument.

I feel that the time is not far off when somewhere in some earthly ZION of God's we can gather together a people who will be absolutely fearless of what any man thinks, and will let God think in them and for them. Then we will have men in whom all the gifts of the Holy Ghost will dwell.

That leads me up to the subject for next Lord's Day afternoon, namely, the "Gifts of Healing, a Present-Day Reality."

Brothers and sisters, Chicago is a city through which we can reach the world. It is a city where we find representatives of every nation. I have the one great desire that Christ may be glorified, and that the Eternal Father may be glorified in Him through the Eternal Spirit, in accordance with His great prayer in John 17.

I believe that Christ has been "given power over all flesh," and that this "power" will be manifested in the giving of "eternal life" to as many as the Father has given to Him. That "life" must be manifested in every part of the being saved. And my constant prayer is, therefore, that the Holy Spirit Who has called you, beloved, may dwell within your Spirits, and control every animal power and passion; and that you be pure, and kept so, by the power of God. "Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it."

Brothers and sisters, I believe that God will raise up in this city an exceeding great army of redeemed men and women, and when that time comes, I tell you there will go out such a power as will shake the powers of the upper air and shake the powers of hell in this city and in every land beneath God's sun.

God hasten that time when the Power of God will be manifested as it has never been seen at any time before.

Brothers and sisters, are you willing to give up Spirit, Soul and Body unto Him? If you are, the Holy Ghost will cleanse your Spirit, will cleanse your Soul, will cleanse your Body, and will make you a part of that mighty army.

Brothers and sisters, if you are willing to make a real and entire consecration to God, bow your heads and think over that question. Let each one ask: Am I willing to make an entire consecration to God of my Spirit, my Soul, my Body, and my whole being? Am I willing to lay upon Thine altar for Thy service, all my talents, all my lands, and all my money, and henceforth to say it is no longer mine? It is Thine, O Lord.

Help us, our Father, to answer these questions. Christ is demanding the answer now.

Brothers and sisters, every one of you who desire to make that consecration, stand to your feet and make it! (In a moment almost the entire assembly stood, eager to make the consecration. It was a most impressive sight.)

Dr. Dowie continued: Oh, does it not shake the powers of hell to see such a scene as this? Brothers and sisters, answer me. Are you willing to make an entire consecration of Spirit, Soul, and Body, and all your possessions to God?

Audience—"Yes."

Dr. Dowie—Then make it now.

Rejoicings

Dr. Dowie said: Brothers and sisters, such a consecration from so many hundreds makes my heart so inexpressibly happy that I cannot find words in which to express it, and dare not let my happiness find vent. I could not control myself. Let it find expression in your lives and in building up ZION. God grant it. God grant it, for Jesus' sake.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

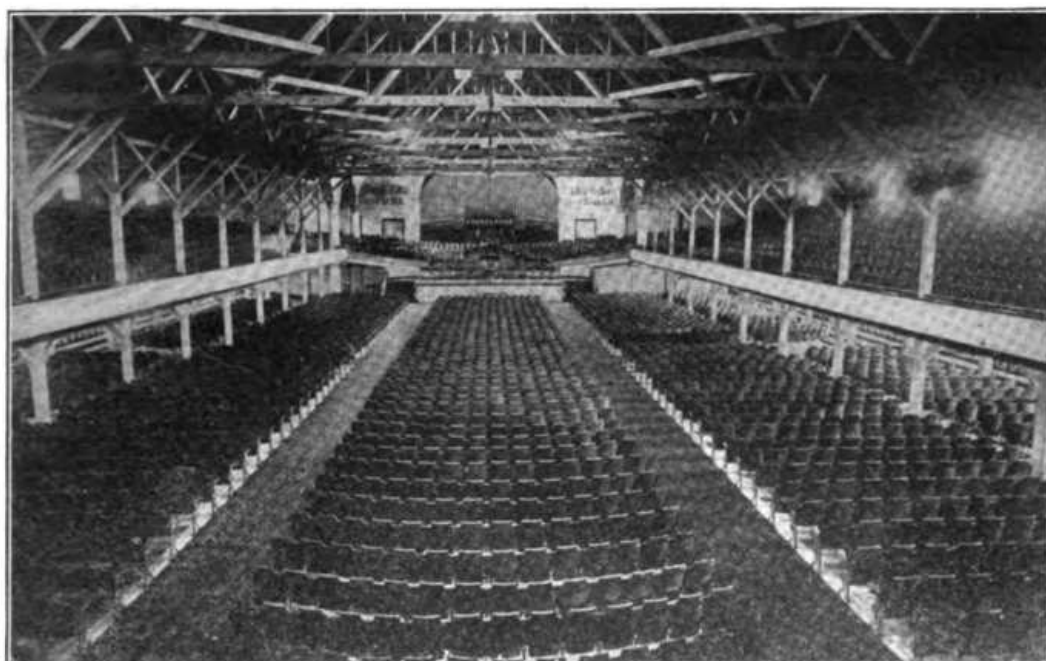
My God and Father, I am Thine. Redeemed by the blood of Christ, I come to make my consecration to Thee. I want to make it entirely, Spirit, Soul and Body. Take my Spirit, take my Soul, take my Body, take my time, take my earthly store, take my powers; let them all be Thine. They shall be no longer mine. Possess me by Thy Holy Spirit, cleansing me, for Jesus' sake. Help me now to do right, to maintain this consecration in the face of all opposition, to make it real and practical and continual, for Jesus' sake. Make me a winner of souls, make me a helper of the helpless. Make me a comforter of the sorrowing, make me a strengthener of the weak, make me in every hour of every day a servant of the Most High God, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

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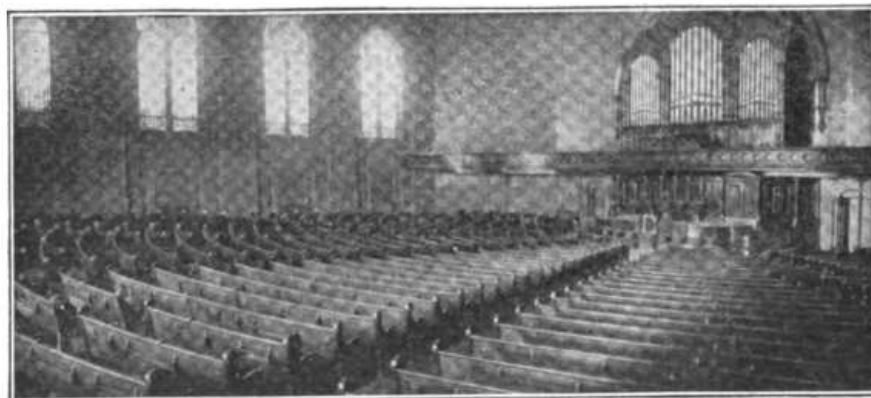
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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus Name

Gottes Weg der Heilung.

Rev. John Alex. Dowie.

Gottes Weg der Heilung ist eine Person und nicht eine Sache.

Jesus sagte: „Ich bin der Weg, die Wahrheit und das Leben,“ und durch alle Jahrhunderte hindurch hat Er sich stets durch den Bundes-Namen geoffenbart, Jehovah-Kophi oder „Ich bin der Herr, der dich heilt.“ (Joh. 14, 6. 2. Mos. 15. 26.)

Der Herr Jesus Christus ist noch heute unser Arzt.

Er kann sich nicht verändern, denn „Er ist derselbe, gestern, heute und in Ewigkeit.“ Er ist noch bei uns, denn Er sagt „Siehe, Ich bin bei euch alle Tage bis an der Welt Ende“ (Hebr. 13, 8. Matth. 28, 20.) Weil Er unveränderlich ist, und weil Er anwesend ist im Geiste, gerade wie damals im Fleische, deshalb ist Er der Arzt Seines Volkes.

Göttliche Heilung beruht auf Christi Versöhnung.

Es war von Ihm prophezeit worden: „Fürwahr, Er trug unsere Krankheit und lud auf sich unsere Schmerzen, —und durch Seine Wunden sind wir geheilt.“ Es heißt ausdrücklich, daß die Profezierung in Seinem Heilungswirken in Erfüllung ging, und immerwährend fortbesteht. (Jesaiah 53, 4, 5. Matth. 8, 17.)

Krankheit kann niemals Gottes Wille sein.

Sie ist des Satans Werk, die Folge der Sünde und es ist nicht möglich, daß ein Werk Satans je Gottes Wille ist. Christus kam „die Werke des Teufels zu zerstören“ und, als Er hier auf Erden war, „heilte Er allerlei Seuche und Krankheit“ und es heißt ausdrücklich, daß alle diese Krankheiten „Ueberwältigungen des Teufels“ waren. (1 Joh. 3, 8. Matth. 4, 23. Apost. 10, 38.)

Die Gaben der Heilung sind fortdauernd.

Es heißt ausdrücklich „Gottes Gaben und Berufung mögen Ihn nicht gereuen,“ und die Gaben der Heilung sind unter den neun Gaben des Geistes für die Kirche. (Röm. 11, 29. 1 Cor. 12, 8—11.)

Es giebt vier Arten der göttlichen Heilung.

Die erste Art ist das direkte Gebet des Glaubens, die zweite ist das vermittelnde Gebet von zwei oder mehr Personen, die dritte ist die Salbung durch die Aeltesten, vereint mit Glaubensgebet. Die vierte Art ist die Handauflegung Derjenigen, welche glauben und die Gott zu diesem Amte vorbereitet und berufen hat. (Matth. 8, 5—13. 18. 19. Jac. 5, 14. 15. Marc. 16, 18.)

Göttliche Heilung wird von teuflischen Verfälschern bestritten.

Unter diesen befinden sich die fälschlich sogenannte Christliche Wissenschaft (Christian Science), Geist-Heilung (Mental Science), Spiritismus, Entzückungs-Evangelismus, u. s. w. (1 Tim. 6, 20. 21, 4, 1. 2. Jes. 51, 22. 23.)

Tausende sind durch den Glauben an Jesus geheilt worden.

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„Der Glaube kommt aus der Predigt, das Predigen aber durch das Wort Gottes.“

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¶ We trust that you have carefully examined the map sent out with the "Leaves of Healing" Vol. 37, No. 21. This is the most complete map that has ever been issued of Zion City site and Zion Estate, and clearly indicates the amount of farm land that has been disposed of, and the small proportion of the entire Estate which remains to be sold.

¶ If you feel any responsibility whatever in the establishment of Zion City at this time, why should you delay in making whatever moves are necessary to assist in this work?

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General Manager

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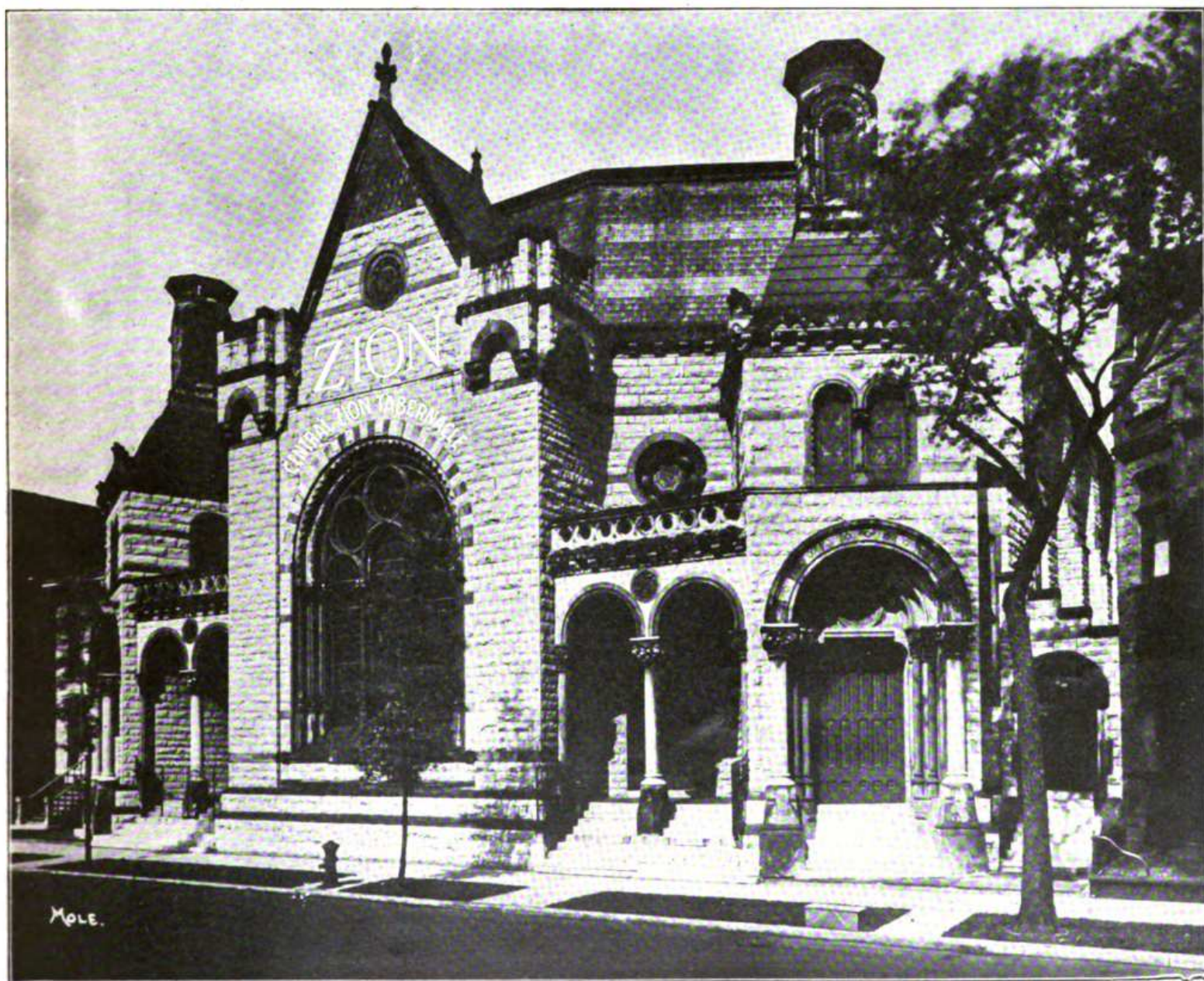
And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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He is Just the Same Today

By John Alexander Dowie

Have you ever heard the story
How our Lord before He died
Laid His blessed hands in healing,
Upon all who to Him cried;
How the sick and all oppressed ones
He rejoicing sent away;
O, I'm glad, so glad to tell you,
He is just the same today.

Let me speak to you of Jesus, kind reader of these pages. In simple, honest words, with tenderness and love, I want to tell you glad, good news. Christ changes never, and as He was on earth in ages long gone by, He is unchangeably the same even here and now. The Word which never dies is true.

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever."

All His life and ministry were beautifully described by Peter thus:

"God anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil." (Acts 10:38.)

"Teaching" patiently, "preaching" boldly, He went about with constant sympathy,

"Healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness among the people." (Matt. 4:23, 9:35.)

He is the same today as when He trod the Holy Land, blessing the fainting, scattered, burdened sheep of God with words of life. And still He journeys over all the earth and never wearies of His loving task. He binds up still the broken, bleeding hearts, He still delivers from the tyrant's fetters, and from Himself, the Fountain, healing virtue still is flowing. With outstretched hands He stands, quick to respond to thine appeal and banish all thy woe. Unseen, but "with us always," as He said, He stands beside thy bed of weary pain. Loved ones bend over thee, and minister with sympathetic care; but nearer than all beside is Jesus, thy Saviour and thy Healer still. The Hand that cleansed the foulness of the leper's flesh and made it sweet and clean; the Hand that made the deaf to hear, the blind to see, the lame to leap, the dumb to speak; the Hand which raised the dead to life is here, no vanished Christ have we. Oh, wherefore doubt, and wherefore seek at other hands, from surgeon's knife or poison draught, the healing which He died to bring to thee, to me, to all mankind, in every age, in every land, in every clime? Christ changes never.

Early in 1876, one noontide, I sat in my study in the parsonage of the Congregational Church, at Newtown, a suburb of the beautiful city of Sidney, Australia. My heart was very heavy, for I had been visiting the sick and dying beds of more than thirty of my flock, and I had cast the dust to its kindred dust into more than forty graves within a few weeks. Where, oh where was He Who used to heal His suffering children? No prayer for healing seemed to reach His ear, and yet I knew His hand had not been shortened. Still it did not save from death even those for whom there was so much in life to live for God and others. Strong men, fathers, good citizens, and more than all, true faithful Christians sickened with a putrid fever, suffered nameless agonies, passed into delirium, sometimes with convulsions, and then died. And oh, what aching voids were left in many a widowed orphaned heart. Then there were many homes where, one by one, the little children, the youths and the maidens were stricken, and, after hard struggling with the foul disease, they too, lay cold and dead. It seemed sometimes as if I could almost hear the triumphant mockery of fiends ringing in my ear whilst I spoke to the bereaved ones the words of Christian hope and consolation. Disease, the foul offspring of its father, Satan, and its mother, Sin, was defiling and destroying the earthly temples of God's children, and there was no deliverer.

And there I sat with sorrow bowed head for my afflicted people, until the bitter tears came to relieve my burning heart. Then I prayed for some message, and oh, how I longed to hear some words from Him who wept and sorrowed for the suffering

long ago, the Man of Sorrows and of Sympathies. And then the words of the Holy Ghost inspired in Acts 10:38 stood before me all radiant with light, revealing Satan as the defiler and Christ as the Healer. My tears were wiped away, my heart was strong, I saw the way of healing, and the door thereto was opened wide, and so I said, "God help me now to preach that word to all the dying round, and tell them how 'tis Satan still defiles, and Jesus still delivers, for 'He is just the same today.'"

A loud ring and several loud raps at the outer door, a rush of feet, and then at my door two panting messengers who said, "Oh, come at once, Mary is dying; come and pray." With just such a feeling as a shepherd has who hears that his sheep are being torn from the fold by a cruel wolf, I rushed from my house, ran hatless down the street, and entered the room of the dying maiden. There she lay groaning, grinding her clenched teeth in the agony of the conflict with the destroyer, the white froth, mingled with her blood, oozing from her pain-distorted mouth. I looked at her and then my anger burned. "Oh," I thought, "for some sharp sword of heaven temper keen to slay this cruel foe who is strangling that lovely maiden like an invisible serpent, tightening his deadly coils for a final victory."

In a strange way it came to pass; I found the sword I needed was in my hands, and in my hand I hold it still, and never will I lay it down. The doctor, a good Christian man, was quietly walking up and down the room, sharing the mother's pain and grief. Presently he stood at my side and said, "Sir, are not God's ways mysterious?" Instantly the sword was flashing in my hand, —the Spirit's Sword, the Word of God. "God's way!" I said, pointing to the scene of conflict, "how dare you, Dr. K——, call that God's way of bringing His children home from earth to Heaven? No, sir, *that is the devil's work*, and it is time we called on Him who came to "destroy the work of the devil," to slay that deadly foul destroyer, and to save the child. Can you pray, Doctor, can you pray the prayer of faith that saves the sick?" At once offended at my words, my friend was changed, and saying, "You are too much excited, sir, 'tis best to say God's will be done;" he left the room. Excited! The word was quite inadequate for I was almost frenzied with Divinely imparted anger and hatred of that foul destroyer, disease, which was doing Satan's will. "It is not so," I exclaimed, "no will of God sends such cruelty, and I shall never say God's will be done to Satan's works, which God's own Son came to destroy, and this is one of them." Oh, how the word of God was burning in my heart:

"Jesus of Nazareth . . . went about doing good, and healing *all that were oppressed of the devil*; for God was with Him."

And was not God with me? and was not Jesus there and all His promises true? I felt that it was even so, and turning to the mother I inquired, "Why did you send for me?" To which she answered, "Do pray, oh, pray for her that God may raise her up." And so we prayed. What did I say? It may be that I cannot now recall the words without mistake, but words are in themselves of small importance. The prayer of faith may be a voiceless prayer, a simple heartfelt look of confidence into the face of Christ. At such a moment words are few, but they mean much, for God is looking at the heart. Still, I can remember much of that prayer unto this day, and asking God to aid I will endeavor to recall it. I cried:

"Our Father, help! and Holy Spirit, teach me how to pray. Thou Plead for us, Oh, Jesus, Saviour, Healer, Friend, Our Advocate with God the Father. Hear and heal, Eternal One! From all disease and death deliver this sweet child of Thine. I rest upon Thy word. We claim the promise now. Thy word is true, 'I am the Lord, I change not.' Unchanging God, then prove Thyself the Healer now. Thy word is true, 'These signs *shall* follow them that believe; in My Name, they *shall* lay hands on the sick, and they *shall* recover.' And I believe, and I lay hands in Jesus' name on her, and claim this promise now. Thy word is true, 'The prayer of faith *shall* save the sick.' Trusting in Thee alone, I cry, Oh, save her now, for Jesus' sake, Amen!"

And, lo, the maid lay still in sleep, so deep and sweet that the mother said in a low whisper, "Is she dead?" "No," I

answered in a whisper lower still, "Mary will live, the fever has gone. She is perfectly well and sleeping as an infant sleeps." Smoothing the long, dark hair from her now peaceful brow, and feeling the steady pulsation of her heart and cool, moist hands, I saw that Christ had heard and that once more, as long ago in Peter's house, "He touched her hand and the fever left her."

Turning to the nurse I said, "Get me at once, please, a cup of cocoa and several slices of bread and butter." Beside the sleeping maid we sat quietly and almost silently until the nurse returned, and then I bent over her and snapping my fingers said, "Mary!" Instantly she awoke, smiled and said, "Oh, sir, when did you come? I have slept so long." Then stretching out her arms to meet her mother's embrace, she said, "Mother, I feel so well!" "And hungry too?" I said, pouring some of the cocoa in a saucer and offering it to her when cooled by my breath. "Yes, hungry too," she answered with a little laugh, and drank and ate again, and yet again, until all was gone. In a few minutes she fell asleep, breathing easily and softly. Quietly thanking God we left her bed and went to the next room where her brother and sister also lay sick of the same fever. With the two we also prayed, and they were healed. The following day all three were well and in a week or so they brought to me a little letter and a little gift of gold, two sleeve links with my monogram, which I wore for many years. As I went away from the home where Christ as the Healer had been victorious, I could not but have somewhat in my heart of the triumphant song that rang through Heaven, and yet I was not a little amazed at my own strange doings, and still more at my discovery that

HE IS JUST THE SAME TODAY.

And this is the story of how I came to preach the Gospel of Healing through faith in Jesus.

That very day I went to the cemetery and laid in the grave the bodies of three who had died two days before, but I rejoiced to add that in the more than twelve years of ministry in Australia which followed I only buried five, although ministering to many thousands. And yet it was not all at once that I could discover how to teach the lessons that I learned that day. Not until six years after did I fully enter upon the ministry of healing as a part of the ministry of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, to preach which I was duly ordained in 1872. During the years that have followed, I have prayed, and in Jesus' name have laid my hands upon many hundreds of thousands of sick ones, and great numbers have been healed. These witnesses have testified in thousands and the record of their testimonies has gone forth to many lands. We have left our friends and the Australian home to carry LEAVES OF HEALING from the Tree of Life, to every creature in every nation we can reach. We have never proclaimed this Gospel in any city or country where God has not confirmed the word with signs following, although in some places it is still true as nineteen centuries ago, "He could not do there many mighty works because of their unbelief." We bring this message to this city, and to thee, kind reader. It will give us joy to tell it to all who will come. Salvation and Healing are FREE, for God never sells His gifts, "Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

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Let the words abide in thy heart

HE IS JUST THE SAME TODAY.

And if thou wilt believe Him, first for Salvation and then for Healing, thou wilt go onward in the King's Highway of Holiness singing the familiar words with a new meaning, as thou goest along the way through earth to Heaven:

"Thou, O Christ, art all I want,
More than all in Thee I find,
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind."

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AT EVEN ERE THE SUN WAS SET

At even, ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay;
Oh, in what divers pains they met!
Oh, with what joy they went away!

Once more 'tis eventide; and we,
Oppressed with various ills, draw near;
What if Thy form we cannot see!
We know and feel that Thou art here.

O Saviour Christ, our woes dispel;
For some are sick and some are sad,
And some have never loved Thee well,
And some have lost the love they had.

Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from Thee can fruitless fall;
Here in this solemn evening hour,
Lord, in Thy mercy heal us all.

He sendeth His word  and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

And the leaves of the tree
I am the Lord that healeth thee.
were for the healing
of the nations.

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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
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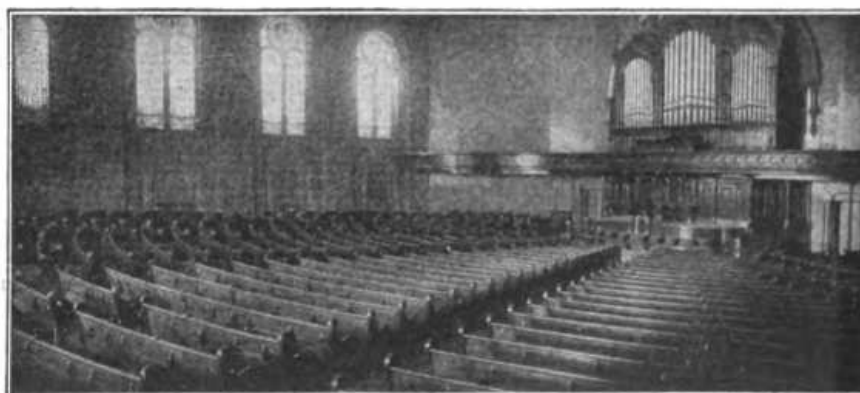
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Great Testimony Meeting

Report of the Great Testimony Meeting Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, February 6, 1916, Conducted by Apostle Wm. S. Peckham, Apostle in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

INVOCATION BY APOSTLE PECKHAM:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations,
For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: The congregation will please join in singing that old hymn, "ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME!"

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

The congregation then remained standing, repeating in concert the

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Treble-Clef Chorus rendered the Selection, "PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU," by Prowbridge, after which Evangelist Guy K. Neal offered

PRAYER

Almighty God, our Kind and Loving Heavenly Father, we gather in this room this afternoon in the Name of Thy Dear Son, Jesus the Christ, Who gave Himself for us.

O God, we thank Thee that Thou hast spared us through another week; that Thou hast privileged us again to assemble in this room, where prayer is wont to be made.

O God, as we meet in this room, we ask that Thou wilt help that this service may be acceptable in Thy sight. As we look to Thee we know that—

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handiwork.

Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

O God, as we bow before Thee we ask Thee that Thou wilt help us to realize for what purpose we were created—for what purpose Thou didst send us into the world. Help us in this hour to worship Thee in spirit and in truth; because we know that Thou art a Spirit, and they that worship Thee must worship Thee in spirit and in truth.

We pray Thee to bless the songs that have already been sung—

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

We pray that as we kneel here we may crown Thee in our hearts. May we get ourselves into such an attitude before Thee that we shall shut the world outside and strive and reach out for more of God.

Our Father, help us to realize the days in which we are living, Help us to discern the times! Help us to interpret the signs on every hand which point to the speedy coming of Jesus.

We ask Thee, our God, to bless Zion in this hour as she goes forth on her mission of light. Oh, that we may do our duty, knowing that Thou hast entrusted us with this wonderful message of Salvation, of Healing, and of Holy Living!

O God, help us to hear the cries and the groans of the dying millions, and may we see to it that we fulfil our obligations; may we complete the work which Thou hast entrusted to us.

Bless, we pray Thee, the City of Chicago. O God, that the people might know Thee. We pray that Thou wilt help us so to witness against iniquity in this City that at least some may understand and turn to Thee, the True and the Living God.

O God, we ask Thee to come into our lives this afternoon and break down every idol, cast out every fear, and may we look up to Thee and say,

Fade, fade, each earthly joy;
Jesus is mine!
Break, ev'ry tender tie;
Jesus is mine!
Dark is the wilderness,
Earth has no resting place,
Jesus alone can bless,
Jesus is mine!

We ask Thee, O God, to take charge of this service. Bless him who is in charge, the Apostle, and give him grace and strength. May the words which he utters be from the heart, backed up by the Spirit of the Living God.

We pray for those who have come in to sing today. Help them to realize their responsibility, and may they sing as Spirit-filled Christians.

We pray this afternoon, in a special manner, for those who will testify to the goodness of God—to the wonderful saving, cleansing, healing, and keeping power of God. Help them to stand up in faith, and open their mouths, and then we know Thou wilt fill them. O God, bless the message each one shall deliver to this people.

We pray for the nations of the earth. O God, our Heavenly Father, help us to be in travail for the awful conditions that exist for we know that if we are in travail men and women must be born into The Kingdom of God as a result.

Father, wilt Thou bless Thy word throughout the entire world. Bless every true Christian, by whatever name he or she may be called. Help them to see to it that they heed the message that has been sung out so often from Thy Word—Prepare to Meet Thy God!

Our Father, we ask Thee now to take this meeting into Thine own loving care. O God, may we be pliable in Thy hands. Lead us by Thy Word and by Thy Spirit! Forgive our transgressions! Heal wherein we need Thy touch!

These blessings we ask in Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM:

Hear, our Father, the earnest prayer that has just gone up to Thee.

Bless, we pray Thee, at this hour all who are in need of healing—all whose requests have reached us.

Earnestly do we pray for the daughter of our dear Deacon Koetz, asking Thee to heal her now. We pray that when he shall return home he shall find her fully recovered.

O God, bless all the sick and the suffering ones.

Hear us for our beloved leader; the General Overseer, and be with him in this hour. We know his heart is here, and that his prayers are ascending for us. Hear us as we unitedly pray.

Father, as Zion goes forward in this and in every land, may the power of God be manifested in the saving, healing, and cleansing of the people.

Hear our prayer for this service, once more we ask Thee; and in the Name of Jesus the Christ hear us as we pray in the words that He taught us when here upon earth: (All joined in chanting the Lord's Prayer.)

The Treble-Clef Chorus then rendered the selection, "SWEET IS THY MERCY, LORD," after which hymn No. 577—"I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER," was sung.

I will sing of my Redeemer,
And His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered,
From the curse to set me free.

CHORUS:

Sing, oh, sing, of my Redeemer!
With His blood He purchased me;
On the cruel cross He suffered,
From the curse to set me free.

I will tell the wondrous story,
How my lost estate to save,
In His boundless love and mercy,
He the ransom freely gave.

I will praise my dear Redeemer,
His triumphant power I'll tell;
How the victory He giveth
Over sin, and death, and hell.

I will sing of my Redeemer,
And his heavenly love to me;
He from death to life hath brought me,
Son of God, with Him to be.

Evangelist Neal made the usual announcements for the week, after which Apostle Peckham read the

SCRIPTURE LESSON

APOSTLE PECKHAM: I will read in God's Inspired Word, as recorded in the 3rd chapter of the Book of Acts, setting forth the healing of the lame man—the first apostolic miracle.

Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.

And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up; and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

And all the people saw him walking and praising God.

And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.

And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified His Son Jesus; Whom ye delivered up, and denied Him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go.

But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

And killed the Prince of life, Whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

And His Name through faith in His Name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers.

But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all His prophets, that Christ should suffer, He hath so fulfilled.

Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

And He shall send Jesus Christ, Who before was preached unto you:

Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

Unto you first God, having raised up His Son Jesus, sent Him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

May God bless the reading of His Word!

The Treble-Clef Chorus rendered the selection, "OH, SWEET AND SILENT IS THE PLACE," after which Apostle Peckham prefaced the testimony meeting with the following

ADDRESS

APOSTLE PECKHAM: I wish to read a few verses from the Word of God, and make a very few comments, and then proceed to hold the testimony meeting, as announced by our General Overseer and by the special notices distributed throughout the City.

We are here this afternoon as witnesses!

Before all that shall be said I put this verse of Scripture, found in Acts the 1st chapter, the 8th verse:

"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 part of the earth."

There are two kinds of witnessing—one witnessing *against*, and the other witnessing *for*.

ZION is noted for both kinds of witnessing.

For a number of Lord's Days, the General Overseer of ZION has been witnessing in this City AGAINST every evil; he has been a swift witness against all who work iniquity.

ZION's business is to witness against all the sins in the catalogue, and to sound forth in mighty thunder tones the condemnation which belongs to all who work iniquity.

Zion's Chief Work is that of Witnessing

John Alexander Dowie was a swift witness against all forms of evil, against the churches, against the ministry, and against a world-wide apostasy.

However, this afternoon we shall witness along a different line—we shall witness as the Master said—

"Ye shall be witnesses unto Me." This afternoon we shall witness *for* our Savior—we shall witness *for* Him Who has mighty power to save, to heal, to cleanse and to keep.

As these witnesses shall stand upon this platform and tell their stories of salvation and healing—as they shall tell of the mighty works of God, and set forth, in a way which I believe will bring conviction to every honest mind and heart, the story of what Jesus has done for them—I believe God will be honored and glorified.

We are to be Witnesses for God!

In all these witnesses let us see the HAND of God—let us see the power that has wrought the work.

As we look at the mighty river in the valley, we do not think of the spring in the mountain; but were it not for the spring that feeds the mountain stream there would be no mighty river.

We look at the beam of sunshine, and we think how bright and warm and beautiful it is; but if there were no great sun in the heavens, there would be no beam of sunshine.

It is to the SOURCE we must look!

As these brothers and sisters tell their different stories, think not of *them*—think of God, and of His power; for He hath done it all, and He shall have all the glory.

I have just read to you the 3rd chapter of Acts. The Apostle Peter plainly states that this man stood before them in perfect soundness because of the fact that the Mighty Name of Jesus had prevailed in his behalf. It was not the faith, it was not the Name, but it was the POWER OF THE LIVING CHRIST, Who alone is able to save and to heal and to cleanse.

We speak in terms that are human; let us think in terms that are Divine. We think as mortals, and we frame our thoughts in words that people can understand. But there are things that never can be told; there are experiences that never can be made plain. There are revelations which no human words could embody or set forth, and there are wondrous things which God is working out which mortal mind never could conceive nor mortal tongue tell.

We have sung—"I will sing of my Redeemer," but our tongues fail us and words are inadequate to tell the story of the love of God and of our Christ.

No, We Can Never Tell It!

While we shall present perhaps eight testimonies this afternoon—and you will hear them and be forced to say, "It is wonderful! It is wonderful!"—still this is as nothing compared with what God has wrought in ZION.

If I were to call ZION in this building to their feet today, hundreds of people would stand to confirm the story of the Savior's love and of His mighty power to save and heal.

No, a tithe could never be told!

Realizing how feeble are words, oftentimes we hesitate to speak and tell forth what God has done for us. But He has said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto Me," and it is the duty of every child of God to witness for the Savior.

Never be ashamed of Him, for He has done so much for us. Indeed, condemnation will be upon us if we witness not for Jesus; for in Mark 8:38 we read: "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when He cometh in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

The life that is not lived for God is a useless and barren life. The life that is not lived for righteousness and for the Mighty God in Heaven is a life that is selfish, and that does not, in any sense, meet the requirements of our spirits or the needs of humanity. Such a life fails to unfold to others the wonderful truths of the Gospel.

What a joy it is to witness every day, every hour—not upon the platform, for that privilege comes to us but seldom; but there is not a day passes over our heads but that we have the opportunity to tell some one of what God has done for us—the opportunity to magnify our God and Savior in our conversations and in our lives.

We are Christ's witnesses, and we are to witness even unto death.

The word "witness" has the meaning of "martyr," in the Greek. This eighth verse of the 1st chapter of Acts may well be translated, "Ye shall be *martyrs* unto Me."

It is true that the Apostles, with one exception, were all martyrs. They all sealed their testimonies with their blood, and they are the ones who stand before God and will return with Him. The Bible makes it plain that the witnesses are the ones who will return with Jesus.

I do not know whether there will be anyone in the heavenly throng that comes back with Christ who has not been a witness; and those who have sealed their testimony with their blood will be in the forefront of that wonderful host that comes back with our Lord when He comes to reign.

Overcoming Witnesses Shall Reign With Christ

Mighty and wonderful are these words!

Revelation 12:11—"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their *testimony*; and they loved not their lives unto the death."

Revelation 20:4—"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the *witness* of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and *reigned* with Christ a thousand years."

Revelation 6:9—"And when He had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the *testimony which they held*."

Beloved brothers and sisters, that has always been the experience of all who have faithfully witnessed—they have found their testimony was not received.

That was true in the case of the paralytic. Although the healing was wonderful, those who heard the testimony and saw the mighty work were filled with anger, and were ready to kill those through whom the miracle had been wrought.

When the blind man had testified to his healing and acknowledged that he was a disciple of Jesus, they put him out of the synagogue. His parents were not willing to witness concerning his healing, because they feared the Jews and that they would be cast out of the synagogue.

Witnessing for Christ means more than most people realize.

To be a witnessing Christian means something; to be a *professing* Christian means nothing.

It means nothing to be a church member. You can be a

member of any church in the City and receive no persecution and have no ignominy attached to your name. But if you are a TRUE CHRISTIAN and have upon you the stamp of ZION, then you will be persecuted; then you will realize more and more what it means to be a Christian and to witness for God.

If you are really Christ's the world will *hate* you—the world will persecute you; the world will do to you just what it did to the Son of God—it will persecute, it will hate, it will kill.

The prophecy is that the time will come when no life will be safe, when no Christian will be safe. The hour is coming—not when the earth shall be filled with peace, but when it shall be filled with war, even more so than it is today; and the slain shall lie from one end of the earth to the other.

And when all nations are gathered into the struggle, when the blood is flowing through the streets, and when the stench of the rotten corpses of humanity fills all the air with pestilence and horror, then shall we know that our God is about to exact the penalty from this world for the killing of His prophets and the persecuting and destroying of His people down through the centuries. God will require it at the hands of those who did it; for the Word of God says, "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

The slumbering fires of the Inquisition and Fanaticism again may burst forth in religious conflict and persecution.

"Ye Shall be Witnesses Unto Me!"

I will read now from the 43rd chapter of Isaiah, God's mightiest prophet. I will read, beginning with the 5th verse:

"Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;

"I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring My sons from far, and My daughters from the ends of the earth;

"Even every one that is called by My Name: for I have created him for My glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

"Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.

"Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth.

"YE ARE MY WITNESSES, saith the Lord, and My servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe Me, and understand that I am He: before Me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after Me.

"I, EVEN I, AM THE LORD; and beside Me there is no savior." (Verses 5 to 11 inclusive.)

The 44th chapter of Isaiah, the 8th verse:

"Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even My witnesses. Is there a God beside Me? Yea, there is no God; I know not any."

Oh, wonderful words!

Wonderful prophecies concerning the gathering together of God's people!

Zion, God's Witnessing Nation

If ZION is not now a nation, she is the preparation for a nation. It is true she has not yet taken her place among the nations; it is true that the *stone cut out of the mountain* has not yet filled the earth; but in ZION we have the preparation for the Nation that shall govern the earth.

However, before there is a nation there must be a PEOPLE. Before there is set up upon earth a Kingdom in its fullness and power, the King must come. But the work of preparation must be done—the witnesses must be gathered.

You will remember that one of the things John Alexander Dowie said, was that when ZION became powerful enough and reached a certain place in her history, he would have a fleet of ships; that he would fill them with ZION witnesses—the blind, the deaf, the lame, the leprous, who had been cleansed by the mighty power of God—and that he would sail across the sea; that he would ascend unto Mount ZION and call all the nations to hear the testimonies of the mighty witnesses.

That day will come!

That day will come!

We are witnessing now in the City of Chicago.

Chicago has had her share of witnessing, and how much longer God will spare her we know not. Her iniquity crieth unto Heaven. In the streets we find iniquity abounding as never in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah.

You who sit in the pews and listen, you who live in comfortable homes and in an environment of righteousness and purity and peace and happiness, know nothing of the wickedness of Chicago.

Oh, Chicago is rotten, reeking, filthy—a stench in God Almighty's nostrils.

The earth, every day and every hour, sends forth horrible stench unto Heaven's portals. Instead of sweet incense of praise, prayer and thanksgiving ascending to God, we hear the cursing and the horrible language that tells of a people who have sunken so low that they speak irreverently of Him Who made them. They give no allegiance to God, pay no attention to Him, and have forgotten Him.

Oh, Chicago has had her opportunity. Her inhabitants cannot say in the Day of Judgment, "We did not know;" for since the days of the "Little Wooden Hut," there has gone forth the witness and testimony.

In these last days God has sent His servant to call the people together, and has raised up a people to witness to His mighty power.

"YE SHALL BE WITNESSES UNTO ME."

Now we shall enter into the witnessing service. I will call upon these witnesses, and they will tell their own stories. They will give the names of the doctors who treated them, and tell the diseases from which they were delivered; and the Word of God says that in the mouth of two or three witnesses all shall be confirmed.

We have more than that number of witnesses. We have thousands of witnesses. We have many, many witnesses here this afternoon.

Hundreds Stand as Witnesses to the Healing Power of God

I am going to ask you ZION—and if there is anyone here who is not ZION but who has known the power of God in his body, as well as in his spirit, you may stand with ZION—I am going to ask all who have been healed by the power of God, in answer to prayer, to stand and tell this congregation so. (A large number stood.)

Those of you who are sitting, look around and see the mighty host of witnesses which God has raised up in this City to declare the marvelous truth that He is THE HEALER of His people.

Brothers and sisters (addressing those who were standing), can you say, "It is true that God healed me?"

(Witnesses: "Yes.")

Did it cost you anything?

(Witnesses: "No.")

There is no charge made in ZION for anything. Nobody can stand and say they were ever charged for any service rendered them in ZION.

Are you trusting God?

(Witnesses: "Yes.")

Do you fear to trust Him?

(Witnesses: "No.")

Are you going to trust Him as long as you live?

(Witnesses: "Yes.")

Have you any use for doctors?

(Witnesses: "No.")

Have you any use for medicine?

(Witnesses: "No.")

Do you give all the glory to God for your deliverance?

(Witnesses: "Yes.")

Praise God! You may be seated.

Zion City a Witness to the Entire World

We have many more witnesses in ZION CITY.

ZION CITY has a population of about five thousand, and ZION people live absolutely without doctors and drugs. It is true there are a few people there, brought in by some factories, who do not trust God; but the vast majority, and we may say practically all the people are trusting God absolutely.

And although we live without drugs, though we live without doctors, though we live lives of faith and trust the promises of God, the death rate in ZION CITY is twelve per cent less than in

Waukegan—a town just six miles away; and the birth rate is much higher than in Waukegan, where they have many surgeons, doctors, drug stores, and hospitals.

For thirteen years God has kept ZION CITY, and it is an object lesson to the whole world—a witness against an apostate church and ministry, against a godless world, against drug stores and doctors and unclean food.

You know, the accusation against the church, and against religion in general, has been for many years that religion is a good thing for little children and old women.

They used to accuse ZION, you know, of being filled up with shadows. We are going to introduce some people today, who will tell their stories, and we will leave it to you to judge as to whether they are shadows or not.

These People Are Striking Examples of Their Faith

As a certain financier, dealing with ZION's great proposition, said to the General Overseer when he met him for the first time, "You are certainly a fine example of your faith."

The sick and the poor and the afflicted come to ZION, and you will see many of that kind; but they do not stay that way long. They soon get to the place where God cleanses their bodies, and they become living witnesses of the power of God.

I hope you will read the article which I have written on the front page of this week's LEAVES OF HEALING, (Volume 37, No. 19) setting forth the teaching of ZION as to the Atonement and that for which it stands.

In this article I have presented two crosses.

One paragraph reads as follows:

"Study the foregoing crosses in the light of God's Word. They set forth the great fundamental truths of the Gospel, and express in graphic form the destructive work of Satan and the redemptive work of Jesus the Christ."

The cross upon the first page represents the redemptive work of Jesus the Christ. On the second page we have presented the destructive work of Satan—sin, sickness, disease, death, and hell—all the results of Satan's work.

If Satan had not done his work, and if sin had not entered into this world, there would be no sickness, no disease, no death, no need of healing for humanity.

On the first cross we have the words "Jesus—Salvation, Healing, Holy Living, Life, and Heaven."

The Atonement Covers Spirit, Soul and Body

How wonderful is the Atonement, covering all our needs for spirit, for soul (the animal life), and for body—spirit, soul, and body.

In Hebrews the 4th chapter and the 12th verse, we read: "For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than and twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

A distinction is made between the spirit and the soul.

The Apostle Paul says, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved"—making a distinction between soul and spirit, which the churches and most theologians fail to comprehend; and they mix it all up, speaking of soul as if it were spirit, and of spirit as if it were soul. That is not true! It is spirit, soul, and body!

A Triune Salvation for a Triune Man

Jesus suffered in Gethsemane, and on the Cross in His Spirit, in His soul, and in His body; that He might work out a perfect atonement for a triune man—spirit, soul, and body.

If the spirit is saved, and the body is neglected, what kind of a salvation is that? If God saves the spirit and turns the body over to humanity—doctors and drugs—what kind of a salvation is that?

It is no salvation!

ZION has a FULL SALVATION!

The churches have a salvation for the spirit, a salvation from sin—which we are pleased to admit is a great salvation; but it is not the GREAT SALVATION.

Jesus paid, upon Calvary's cross, the penalty for all our sins; and if He did not die for the effects of sin, it is a pretty weak salvation. But He DID die for the effects of sin!

I tell you, we do not look to man for our salvation — for our healing. Salvation is from *God*, and healing is from *God*.

I desire you to read the article I have mentioned, and if you find anything in it that is not according to the Word of God, let me know.

If you are not a believer in the full Gospel, if you are not a believer in God as the Healer as well as the Savior, let me know your argument and show me the Scripture for your position. There is not a single line you can offer.

I have given you many passages of Scripture there that prove that salvation and healing are parts of a whole; and if you take one away you have destroyed the other.

If God rules the spirit, and the devil rules the body, you will have no peace, no health, no life; but when God rules both the spirit and the body, then you have a wonderful and complete salvation. May God help you all to seek such salvation! Heal-

the church has been unfaithful in carrying out the commission and obeying the instructions of the Book of James: "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up: and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."—James 5:14-15.

My brothers and sisters, how different is the Gospel as preached today, from the Gospel which was preached and practiced by the disciples in the early Church.

There is no Gospel for the First Century, there is no Gospel for the Second Century — the Gospel is for all the Centuries — THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL; and if the Gospel has changed, then God has changed.

"— From everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God."— Psalm 90:2.

"If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will permit none of these diseases to come upon thee, which I have permitted to be brought upon the Egyptians; for I am the Lord Who healeth thee."—Exodus 15:26.

"And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee." — Exodus 23:25.



DEACON THEODORE R. BECKER

"He shall call upon Me and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him, and honor him.

"With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation." — Psalm 91: 15, 16.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases." — Psalm 103:2, 3.

ing draws us closer to God and compels us to keep in touch with Him.

He will be your Savior if you will take Him to be your Savior. He will be your Healer if you will take Him to be your Healer. He will be to you all you will let Him be, and He can be no more.

If you say, "Yes, Lord, I trust You for Salvation, but I cannot trust You for healing," oh, how terrible that is! When He has promised to heal you, when He has promised to cover all your needs for spirit, for soul, and for body, how dreadful for you to say, "Lord, I cannot trust You."

Can you not trust Him for the lesser things as well as for the greater?

Why, it is not half as wonderful to be healed as it is to be saved!

An Apostate Church Has Failed to Witness

Then why should we stumble at Divine Healing just because

Let us believe and trust our God!

Let us receive the Gospel in its fullness!

Let us believe every word that has been written, and then we shall receive all that God has promised.

Now then, the first witness we shall call upon is Deacon Theodore Becker, Manager of Zion Printing and Publishing House — the institution which prints the LEAVES OF HEALING and all the ZION Literature, and that does a great deal of work for many firms throughout the country.

DEACON THEODORE R. BECKER: Brothers and sisters, ladies and gentlemen: I now live in ZION CITY. I formerly resided on the West Side of this City.

As I stand before you this afternoon, it is with a feeling of the greatest joy I have realized for some time — the joy of being able to stand up and talk to you of what God has done for me.

I do not stand before you this afternoon as a minister. I

stand before you simply as a business man, whom God has saved and healed when dying of consumption.

However, much as I value my healing, I value far more, this afternoon, the fact that God has saved me from sin, enabled me to live a life of trust these many years, and kept me during the eighteen years which have elapsed since my healing.

It was in the year 1897 that I first heard of ZION. I was then dying of consumption. I was being treated by one Dr. Frank J. Novak, who resides at 1812 Millard Avenue, in this City.

The doctor's last statement to me was: "You are going to the dogs fast; your life will not be long."

I then came to ZION Tabernacle, and through the preaching of the Gospel that I heard, I fully turned to God.

I had been brought up in the German Lutheran Church. And although I was twenty-one years of age at the time I heard ZION's Message, and still a member of the Lutheran Church, I

years, I stand before you this afternoon a living witness to the saving, healing, cleansing and keeping power of God.

I weighed about one hundred pounds when I came to ZION. This afternoon, I can say to the honor and glory of God, I weigh over two hundred pounds. It has not been gotten by ease, either, for I leave my home every morning at a quarter after six, and do not return from the office until between eight and nine o'clock at night. I labor early and late, and God has kept me well and strong.

I praise Him for all He has done!

As I said before, far more than my healing I value the salvation which has come to me in ZION.

I never knew what conversion meant; I never knew what it meant to live a clean life; I never knew what it meant to be a Christian and be "born again," while I was a member of the Lutheran Church.



MRS. R. Y. HENRY

was not a Christian — I had never been "born again."

When I heard Doctor Dowie preach I realized I was a sinner. I gave my heart to God, repented of my sins, made right the wrongs of my life — which were many — and received the blessing I was seeking.

I was sick for twelve months before coming to ZION. It is impossible to describe to you the sufferings and the sorrows of those twelve long months — dreary months they were — to a young man just entering into life.

Those of you who know something about the disease — the cough, the spitting of blood, the night sweats, and all the weakness which comes upon one — can realize what it meant as I struggled for deliverance.

Words fail to describe it!

I did not get my healing all at once. As I heard the Word preached, and as I applied it to my life, and studied the Word of God and obeyed, God healed me. And today, after all these



MRS. J. B. RENDALL AND DAUGHTER EVA MAE

I am happy today in the fact that I love to read God's Word; that I have been "born again," and have no desire for the things which once I loved — smoking, drinking, dancing, and all the things of the world; but that today

"I live for God who loves me—
For those who know me true,
For the Heaven that smiles above me,
And awaits my spirit, too;
For the cause that needs assistance,
For the wrongs that need resistance,
For the future in the distance,
For the good that I can do."

I trust that this testimony will be a blessing to some one.

Oh, suffering One, "Jesus is just the same today." Oh, don't get discouraged. I was sick. I turned to God. He healed me. I am here today well and strong. I give this testimony to His honor and glory.

The congregation then joined in singing the chorus of the hymn, entitled, "THE POWER OF GOD."

The pow'r of God is just the same today,
It doesn't matter what the people say;
Whatever God has promised He's able to perform:
And the pow'r of God is just the same today.

MRS. R. Y. HENRY, ZION CITY, ILLINOIS: I do praise God I have the opportunity to stand upon a public platform and tell what God has done for me in spirit, soul, and body.

Twenty years ago I was dying of cancer of the left breast. I was taken to the German hospital in Philadelphia, and Dr. John Deaver, one of the best surgeons in Pennsylvania, performed an operation. But from that time on I grew worse.

I spent nine months in the German hospital under the doctor's care, and was operated upon three times in all; but when they permitted me to go home I was no better.



MRS. HERMAN G. PETERSON

At that time I did not know what was the trouble with me. Although I knew they had operated upon me, I did not know the disease was cancer. Our family physician had advised my family to keep the knowledge of the disease from me if possible.

One night I was in such agony that I put on my hat and cloak and went to the Lutheran Church, hoping to get relief from the terrible pain with which I was suffering.

However, as the minister talked, there was nothing there for me. But when he had finished, a young girl in the choir sang, "Safe in the arms of Jesus."

I said, "My God and Father, am I safe in Your arms?"

I went from that church in tears. Arriving at home, I took up the Bible, which was lying on the table, and asked God to give me some words of comfort. I opened to the story of the woman who touched the hem of Christ's garment and was made whole.

I said, "That does not do me any good. When that woman was sick Christ was here upon earth so she could touch Him,

but it is impossible for me to touch Him — I cannot even pray."

A few nights after this my husband had occasion to go to the home of Mrs. Hollingsworth, a neighbor of ours, and she gave him some LEAVES OF HEALING, saying, "I want you to take them home to your wife for her to read."

When he came home, he said to me, "I think you have trusted the doctors long enough. I have brought you something of which you have never heard before."

I told him I could not read the papers, but he said, "You listen while I read them to you."

I listened while he read the words, "He is just the same yesterday, today, and forever."

I said, "Stop! Read that over again."

He read it again.

I said, "'Today' — I am living in 'today.' That woman, when she touched His garment, was living in 'yesterday.' But I



MRS. H. W. SUTTON

could not get my healing like that — God could not heal me like that."

I was still under the care of the doctor of the German Hospital. My people used to take me down once or twice a day, as I was able to stand the painful treatment.

One day I said to them, "I am not going to come here any more."

They said, "Why?"

I said, "I have a New Doctor."

They said, "Who?"

I told them, but they were just like the people are today. I have visited some of your homes here in Chicago, and you have said to me, when I have offered you the LEAVES OF HEALING, "I do not care for them."

Brothers and sisters, there was a time when I said the same thing; but finally I received them, and today look what God has

done for me. I love to meet women who are suffering with cancer and tell them my story.

When the doctor saw how I was suffering, he said, "How would you like to come back and stay with us awhile?"

I said, "You do not mean, doctor, that you want me to come back and stay right here all the time?"

He said, "I do; and the quicker you come the better it will be for you."

So I saw I must either trust this body to another operation or trust God.

The next morning when my daughter came to get me ready to go to the hospital, I said, "When I want you to get me ready I will let you know."

Oh, as I walked the floor, anyone who has had cancer will know what I suffered. I said, "My God, what shall I do? Shall I trust You or shall I trust the doctors?"

"Surely He hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

"But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed." - Isaiah 53:4,5.

"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my Praise." - Jeremiah 17:14.

"But unto you who fear My Name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in His Wings." - Malachi 4:2.



ELDER GEORGE E. ROBBINS

Finally I said, "I am going to trust God, living or dying." I went down to a neighbor's house and told them I was going to give up doctors and drugs and trust God for healing, and we had a time of rejoicing. Later I told my family, and, although they did not believe in ZION or in ZION teaching, they said, "Well, we hope you will get better."

I gave up the doctors and trusted God fully for one week, and I felt the power of God and knew I was getting better.

After that the devil would say to me, when I was by myself, — just to show you how the devil will talk to one — "You cannot trust God in this hot weather."

I listened to the devil, instead of keeping my eyes upon God, and for one week I wavered. However, God never permitted me to go back to the doctors who had made me suffer so; I never even thought of going back to them. But for one week I had my eyes upon this old body.

A little later, an elder, who had prayed for me, came to our

neighborhood again to hold a ZION meeting, and my people persuaded me to attend it, although I could hardly walk. They said, "If you knew of a doctor who could heal you, you would get to him even if you had to crawl on your hands and knees a hundred miles."

When I reached the home where the meeting was to be held, the elder said to me, "You do not mean to tell me you have lost the victory?"

I said, "Yes; I have lost the victory. The Word of God is true, when it says that when we have once put the devil out of our heart, and then open it again for him, he does not come back by himself, but he brings seven others with him. And in my case he has brought back seventy-seven."

He prayed for me, with the tears streaming down his face.

I went home, and when my husband looked at me I said, "Do not look at me, for I have brought all those devils back with me."

"And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." - Matthew 4:23.

"And His fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people who were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those who were possessed with devils, and those who were lunatic, and those who had the palsy; and He healed them." - Matthew 4:24.

Without eating my supper, I went up to my room and sat in the rocking-chair by the window. I said, "My God, what have I done?" It seemed to me I had crucified my Lord and Master over again. Then I prayed that God would make me fit and ready to meet Him when my time came.

I went downstairs, and said, "Thank God I am back on solid ground." Although I still had the pain, a heavy load had been lifted from my spirit.

After eating my supper I walked around a little, and whenever the devil would come to me I would say, "In the Name of Jesus I WILL get my healing."

That was in June. By the first of September I was perfectly healed.

Mrs. Hollingsworth may be in this audience today — she is in Chicago on a visit — and she can verify every word I have said.

When I surrendered to God I did not stay thin very long.

People said they could see me taking on flesh.

I do praise God for my healing; and what God has done for me He can do for each of you, if you will let Him.

For the last twenty years I have been going about, from time to time, with the literature, doing Restoration work.

You who are here today never again can make the statement that you have never seen a woman who was perfectly healed; for you have seen one today.

I do praise God that He has healed and saved me for this time. I praise Him that I have this opportunity of giving this simple testimony, and I trust it will help others to surrender to their God.

The first stanza of the hymn — "SHE ONLY TOUCHED THE HEM OF HIS GARMENT," was then sung.



ELDER SAMUEL F. HOUSTON

She only touched the hem of His garment
As to His side she stole,
Amid the crowd that gathered around Him,
And straightway she was whole.

CHORUS:

Oh, touch the hem of His garment!
And thou, too, shalt be free;
His saving power this very hour
Shall give new life to thee.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Is Mrs. Hollingsworth in the room?

(Mrs. Hollingsworth: "Yes, sir.")

Can you verify this testimony of Mrs. Henry's?

(Mrs. Hollingsworth: "It is all true.")

Were you living in Philadelphia at that time?

(Mrs. Hollingsworth: "Yes, sir.")

Is there anything you would like to add to her testimony?

(Mrs. Hollingsworth: "I could add a great deal, but time will not permit. I went to see Mrs. Henry several times. One day she showed me the cancer, and it was terrible. I do thank God that she received the LEAVES OF HEALING — although at first she did not feel very kindly toward them — and came to our home, six miles away, where the meetings were held. She was prayed for there, and I thank and praise God for her testimony; for it is all true.")

APOSTLE PECKHAM: We will now have the testimony of a

little child who was healed three years ago. Her mother will tell her story, and then she will recite a little poem about it.

Her name is Eva Mae Rendall. She was born in ZION CITY and has never tasted medicine — knows nothing about doctors.

Her mother will now tell the story.

MRS. J. B. RENDELL: About three years ago this Fall, as Eva Mae would be playing about the house, we could see a slight hesitancy in her walk. We noticed, too, that when she went upstairs she would go on her hands and knees; or, when she was about to step over the threshold, she would first lift one foot over, and then the other.

My husband is always very reluctant to admit that the devil has given us a lick, so for that reason I did not say anything to him about this trouble.



EVANGELIST THEODORE DREYER

About a week later, one day while at the table she insisted on feeding herself with her left hand. My husband noticed it, and said, "You must not use your left hand; use your right hand."

She laid down the spoon and, picking it up with her right hand, endeavored to use it; but I could see she could not use it very rapidly, and as soon as her father was not looking she would pick it up again in her left hand. After a few moments he noticed it, and spoke about it rather sharply. She laid down the spoon and sat looking at me for several minutes.

After that she never seemed quite ready to eat her meals when her father was there.

I said to him one night, "There is no use talking, there is something the trouble with Mae; she cannot use her right hand."

"Well," he said, "if there is anything the trouble God can heal it, but we do not want a left-handed baby."

We commenced to study her case.

She did not use her right foot rapidly, and, as I said before, when she would step over anything, she would always stop, lift the right foot and set it over carefully, and then lift the left foot; and when she went upstairs she would go on her hands and knees.

We had to admit something was wrong.

We began to watch her more closely, and we prayed that whatever the trouble was God would remove it.

Day after day went by, but we seemed to get no victory whatever. She did not complain of any pain, but it just seemed to be sort of a creeping paralysis; it seemed to grow on her.

Perhaps a month went by, and we began to get seriously in earnest about it, but there was no victory.

I want to say, brothers and sisters, I am so thankful to God that we never even thought of having a doctor or that God could not heal her. We always said we knew God could and would heal her, for she was His child. Our prayer was, "Lord, do not let us doubt."

Finally she began to say, "Mamma, do not leave me alone." And it got so I could not step into the next room but what she would cry.

It seemed to take all the sunshine out of her life, and she seemed so sad. When I would talk to her about being sad, and say, "Why don't you sing?"—she would say, "I sing enough, why don't you sing?" She seemed to think the trouble was with us.

We kept on asking God not to let us doubt.

One night she said, "Mamma, won't you stop the clock?"

I said, "Why do you want the clock stopped?"

She said, "It hurts my head."

Then she commenced to complain of a pain in the back of her head.

We prayed earnestly that night that God would remove the pain, and when we put her to bed it seemed so hard for me to leave her.

My husband said, "If we are trusting God, don't you think God can take care of her?"

I said, "Yes; I know He can."

He said, "Then let us act like we believe God."

We went to bed, but when I went to her cradle in the morning she was helpless. She could not move; she could not talk. It was a very, very dark morning. We wondered sometimes where God was.

I said, "Father, I do not know where You are, but, oh, I am so thankful You know where we are; and I am going to trust You even if Eva Mae goes home."

After three days we got the victory over the paralysis, and then not for one moment, when this child was awake, was her little body still—she twitched continually from her head to her feet. She could not walk across the room without imperiling her life.

One day she was coming across the room toward me, when she suddenly shot off in another direction and ran into the stove.

She would drop her playthings, and it annoyed her so that finally we put them all away.

We could understand her talk just a little—enough to understand when she wanted something. She could not swallow anything except liquids.

She said to me one morning, "Mamma, isn't this Divine Healing day?"

I said, "Yes, this is Divine Healing day."

She said, "Take me down to the meeting and have the General Overseer pray for me, and I will be like other little girls."

We tried to take her down in the carriage, but the jar of the buggy was too much for her. Elder Reder said, "Put her in a baby buggy."

We got a buggy and put her in it, but I had to tie her down in order to hold her in until I rode her to the meeting.

When we reached the ZION HOME, where the meeting was to be held, I had to carry her in; and I had to hold her in my arms because she could not sit on a chair without falling off. After a moment or two she fell asleep, and when she was asleep she was perfectly quiet.

When the meeting was over the Overseer took her and prayed for her. He said, "Do you believe you will be healed?"

She said, "Yes; I will be well now."

From that time on she began to improve. In just a few days she could talk and swallow and walk.

Do you wonder that we thank God today?

Many times she said to me, "Mamma, I wish I could tell the people how God has made me well."

I was telling a friend of mine about it one day, and I said, "I think I will have to teach Eva a little poem of some kind—I do not know just what it ought to be—so that she can show the people how she can talk now."

This friend wrote a little poem herself and sent it to us, and Eva recites it to show people how God has healed her.

We cannot thank God enough for the sunshine that came back into our home when Eva Mae was healed.

God has done many, many things for us in our home.

Now, just for a moment I want to take you back about

eighteen years to the time when we first heard of ZION. I was paralyzed at the time, lying helpless, having been poisoned by paint.

We had only begun to hear of ZION. Although we had read a tract or two and a few of the LEAVES, we did not know enough about ZION to understand it and to know how to pray.

We read what literature we had over and over. My husband said, "I believe it! I believe every word of it! I believe God heals today just as He did when He was here upon earth."

We had been painting our house, and through coming in contact with the paint I had become paralyzed.

The question came up, "Now, if you believe what you have read in these papers and tracts, what are you going to do? Are you going to have a doctor?"

It was a great question with us.

My husband was a wheat buyer at the time, known all over the country for fifty miles. People would say, "Well, Rendall, what are you going to do now—have a doctor, or let your wife die?"

He would answer, "We will trust God whatever we do."

After several days I got so bad I could just talk in a whisper.

My husband said to me, "Well, Mamma, what shall we do? Shall we have a doctor, or what shall we do?"

I said, "We ought to do something, and what we do must be done quickly."

Finally the doctor in our town left. I have always been thankful for that.

I said to my husband, "Let us send up to the next town for Dr. Jacobs, and if he cannot heal me he will tell us so." This man had been a schoolmate of mine.

We 'phoned to him, and he came down. He said, "Well, your wife is in a very critical condition. Only one in many ever get well after what she is going through."

I vomited continually, and the vomit looked and smelled like turpentine.

I ate nothing for ten days, and it was a heart-searching time. Many things came to me—"What will you do with doctors and drugs? Will you trust God or the doctors?" These things had to be settled.

Will I ever forget the morning when I realized that either victory or defeat was near?

I said to my husband, "Let us put away the medicine. Let us throw it out."

He said, "Well, it would be funny if we had to do that before you could get your healing—it would be very queer."

I said, "Do not give me any more of it, for it is not doing me any good. The only thing that affects me at all is that stuff you give me when I have those convulsions, and that puts me to sleep. If I am going home I want to know it."

He brought up a large bucket, and I will never forget how we put those medicines in—boxes, powders, glasses, and bottles—all sorts of things that the doctors had been piling up there for ten days.

At this time a couple of friends of ours came in and wanted to know how I was. My husband said, "She is very low"—I was suffering from one of those dreadful convulsions, when it seemed as though my head and feet would almost touch together.

They said, "May we come in and see her?"

He said, "We have not been letting anybody in, but she is so low she will never know you have been here."

They came in and stood by my bed, and my husband has told me since that the veins on my forehead were almost as large as his finger. I was unconscious at the time.

They stood and looked at me, and my husband says he never felt so helpless—as though he could do so little.

Finally he said, "Shall we pray?"

They said, "Yes; let us pray."

The three knelt by the bed (I was unconscious and did not know anything about it until afterward) and prayed, and when they arose from their knees I was healed—sleeping like a child.

Thank God!

When I awoke an hour later, oh, how hungry I was!

They say hunger is a sign of healing, and I was very hungry.

Eva will now say her little piece. (Eva Mae then recited the following poem:)

When Jesus blessed the "little ones,"

A long, long time ago,

He had it written in His Book

That all of us might know.

But if He were on earth today,
I know what I would like to do,
Would be to get close up to Him,
That He might bless me, too.

I'd like to tell Him something,
So I hope He would say,
"Come here and talk to Me awhile,
My little Eva Mae."

And then I'd go so gladly
For of course my Lord would know
How very sick and helpless
I was not long ago.

I could not walk, I could not talk,
As many people know;
But now, I'm healed and strong again,
For Jesus made me so.

That's why I'd like to thank Him,
If He were here today,
For all His love and kindness
To His little Eva Mae.

The entire congregation then sang, with great feeling, the hymn entitled, "NO, NOT ONE!"

There's not a friend like the Lowly Jesus,
No, not one! No, not one!
None else could heal all our soul's diseases,
No, not one! No, not one!

CHORUS:

Jesus knows all about our struggles,
He will guide till the day is done;
There's not a friend like the Lowly Jesus,
No, not one! No, not one!

ELDER ROBBINS: Brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, my name is George Erwin Robbins; and my address is 3104 Gabriel Avenue, ZION CITY, Illinois. Formerly I lived in Stiles, Wisconsin, a very small village.

I praise God this afternoon for his blessings to me. First of all, I want to thank God for salvation through faith in Jesus, and for keeping power.

The first thoughts I ever had in my heart concerning God, were at the time when my mother passed away, a great many years ago. I was just ten years old. From that time on I often wondered about God, and about where my mother was.

Our home always had been a worldly one, and I started out in life as a poor boy, with poor parents. When, at last, I was forced to get out and shift for myself, I got into the ways of the world. I used to play Sunday baseball, scarcely ever went to Church, and often went fishing on the Lord's Day.

However, it seems that God revealed Himself to me, in a way, even when I was a boy; for I can remember that as I fished, even though it was the Lord's Day, I used to pray to God to help me, and I have caught as high as thirteen pickerel at one time.

I think now of the Word of God, where it says, "I will make you to become fishers of men."

My first turning to God was when I was about twenty-three years of age. Two evangelists came to our village and preached the Word of God. As I listened, I was convicted of sin, and while I was under that terrible conviction for about two years, I knew not how to get deliverance from it. I sought the advice of a minister of the Presbyterian church, but he did not help me. I do not know whether he knew how to help me.

Shortly after that I received the LEAVES OF HEALING from a certain man, a barber by trade, who came here to Chicago, to ZION HOME, and received his healing from consumption, after the doctors had pronounced his case incurable, and told him he could not live more than five weeks at the outside. He spent one week in ZION HOME, received salvation and healing through faith in Jesus, and came back to Oconto and opened his shop—a living witness for God.

After reading that copy of LEAVES OF HEALING I received greater light than I ever had had before, and in 1900 I spent two weeks in ZION HOME, then located on Michigan Avenue and Twelfth Street.

At that time I knew very little about the Word of God. In fact, I never had read God's Word. I do not think I knew whether Genesis was in the front, the middle, or the back of the Bible. So I can truthfully say that God called me from a solitary place, from the wilderness, "and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings."

I used to work in the lumber woods. I am a river driver,

by trade, or used to be; I am a minister of the Gospel today, thank God, an elder in ZION.

However, God called me, that I might know more of Him: and I thank Him for it.

I thank Him also for healing me. I had lameness in my back for several years, caused by a sprain, they told me, while wrestling. Dr. J. R. Minnehen, of the St. Vincent Hospital, in Green Bay, told me that all the medicine in the world would not do me any good.

I carried a hospital ticket at the time, which entitled me to a room and board in the hospital, and medical treatment. It also enabled me to get all the medicine I used at the wholesale price. For this ticket I paid ten dollars a year.

The terrible pain in my back gave me no rest day nor night for about a year. Often I would lie awake all night, hoping and watching for daylight to come.

However, when I came into ZION, and a ZION elder prayed for me, I received my healing. That was in 1900, and I have been in ZION ever since.

I have learned to read God's Word, and I know a little about THE KINGDOM. I say a *little*, because no matter how much we think we know about THE KINGDOM OF GOD, it is very little. It is like a person standing on the shore of Lake Michigan, and saying, "My, what a great body of water!"—they can see only a little of it with the naked eye.

God has greater blessings in store for us than we imagine.

For one year and a half I was a bar tender, and drank lots of whisky. Those who used to drink with me would say, "Young man, if you do not quit, the first thing you know you will have the snakes."

I drank on an average of twenty-five glasses of whisky a day, and finally I found myself in such a terrible condition that I could not hold the bottle still enough to pour the whisky into the glass.

Thank God I was delivered from that horrible appetite.

One who has not gone through it does not know how to pity a man who has an appetite for drink. Why, when you tell him that he is a terrible sinner and that he is killing himself, he knows all that! The question with him is how to get *deliverance*!

Why, when I would quit drinking for six months, at the end of that time I would have the same old hankering for whisky, and I would go at it again.

However, thanks be unto God, when I got down on my knees and asked Him to deliver me, He TOOK AWAY the appetite for drink, as well as all wrong desires from my heart.

When I left ZION HOME in Chicago and started back to Oconto, Wisconsin, I took with me two large suit cases filled with ZION literature, and I went into the saloons and distributed it.

You might ask me, "How long did it take you to get out of your old ways?" It was less than three weeks from the time I reached ZION HOME, until I was converted, healed, and back in Oconto distributing literature in the same saloons where I had been wont to drink whisky. Thank God it was no temptation to me at all—in fact, I fairly hated the smell of the stuff.

I used to talk to the men and warn them against the terrible effects of whisky. Sometimes the saloon keepers would order me out, and when they did I would go out, and then come back later. They would say, "Didn't I tell you to go out?"—and I would answer, "Yes, but you didn't tell me to *stay* out, so I am back again."

I say that when a man is saved, by the power of God, from whisky, he can go right back into the saloons and testify to the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ, and it will be no temptation to him. If it is a temptation to him, he is not converted. When you have to keep a tow-rope around people's necks to keep them in THE KINGDOM OF GOD, they never have been soundly converted.

I thank God that my four children have never tasted medicine. My little girl, who is now ten years old, was born with smallpox, and God healed both her and her mother. Afterward I learned that it is a rare thing for both the child and the mother to recover in a case of that kind.

Of course we have our troubles, and our human bodies are subject to colds and diseases of various kinds, but God always delivers us when we are sick.

I remember when my little boy had scarlet fever, Dr. LaRose came and examined him, and Elder Rader prayed for him, and he said, "I am going to get my healing right away." And in five days time he was perfectly healed and they took the sign off the house.

Thank God we can take *everything* to Him in prayer!
I thank God for bringing me out of darkness into Light, and for salvation and healing.

ELDER SAMUEL F. HUSTON: My home is in ZION CITY, but I am at work for the Master in Chicago.

Jesus said, "Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee."

"And he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel."
(Mark 5:19, 20.)

I desire to tell, to the honor and glory of God—our Savior, Healer, and Cleanser—how He healed me of heart trouble, twenty-six years ago last August.

I remember that the first attack of heart trouble I had, was when we were living in Springgrove, Illinois, during the first year of the war of the Rebellion. I started out to see how fast I could run, boy-like, from the field to the house. As I neared my destination, my heart began to beat quickly, and I suffered terribly. Mother put me to bed and rubbed camphor on my chest.

After that I had those attacks, off and on, until August, 1889. Everything would turn green before my eyes, I would go blind for a moment, and sway back and forth. Then, too, I suffered with sharp pains in my head.

About 1888 I began to realize I was not a very good Christian, and I sought God for a better experience. I was a cold, backslidden Presbyterian, away from God.

One day in August, 1889, there came to me, in Winfield, Kansas, where I was then living, three little tracts of Dr. Dowie's. I read them, and they were a great blessing to me spiritually.

I had never heard of Divine Healing.

I was not seeking healing.

I was seeking a closer walk with God.

The first one of those little tracts was "He is Just the Same Today;" the second one, "Do You Know God's Way of Healing?"—and the third one, "Jesus of Nazareth Passeth By."

On the front page of the Tract—"Jesus of Nazareth Passeth By," was the story of the blind man sitting by the wayside nigh unto Jericho, who, hearing the multitude, cried out. Jesus stood still and asked him what he wanted. He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight." Then Jesus touched his eyes and he received his sight, and he went with them, rejoicing and praising God.

Dr. Dowie said, "This is what we have come to America to preach—Salvation, Healing, and Holy Living."

As I read on in the tract I found announcements of his meetings in California, and I was impressed by the statement that he was preaching the "old time" Gospel.

I had come out of the Presbyterian Church because I was sick and tired of the apostasy, and I was seeking a better experience.

I received such blessing as I read those tracts! The tears ran down my cheeks, and I began to praise God for the new life that had come to me. The Spirit of God came into my life as I never had experienced it before.

My wife and daughter were away at the time.

I read, also, in this tract, "Jesus of Nazareth Passeth By," about several who had been healed in California in answer to prayer. It gave their names and addresses, and the names of the diseases from which they had been delivered. I drank in every word, and believed it all.

I had been suffering from heart trouble for twenty-nine years. However, when I knelt down to pray that night, I did not ask God to heal me, but I promised Him to be a better man. He makes me remember that. And while I was praying, I felt something like an electric current about my heart. The next night I prayed the same prayer, and felt the same electric current. I said, "God has touched me, and I am healed."

The coming Lord's Day I went down and testified at the Y. M. C. A. The same week I went to church and testified at the mid-week prayer meeting, and I went from house to house and told the people my story. I was a traveling man at the time, and found many opportunities to tell of God's goodness to me.

I have never had heart trouble from that day to this.

Those messages and that healing brought prayer into our home, brought a family altar into our home; and, thank God, it is there today.

When I was about seventeen, I contracted hay fever, and I had it for many, many years. I used to have to go several miles north of where I was living in the summer time, and I did not dare to return home until after frost came. Sometimes I would go to the mountains in California and spend my summers.

One doctor in Lincoln, Illinois, said to me, "If you do not get healing for that hay fever, it will turn into asthma, and there is no healing for that."

He was right, the hay fever later developed into asthma. Often when I would be in hotels, as I traveled about, it would seem as though the smell of feathers or of a coal oil lamp would kill me. I would have to jump up and run to the window for air.

One time while I was at home I carried in a feather bed, which had been put out to air, and I had such a spell of asthma that I had to sit up in a rocking-chair all night—my chest heaving, and being almost unable to get a breath.

My wife sent a telegram to Dr. Dowie, in Chicago, and I fell asleep. When I woke up I was breathing as well as I am now. I was perfectly healed.

It has been many, many years since I had asthma.

I was also healed of stomach trouble.

I thank God for a good stomach, for good teeth, and for good lungs, and I praise God for salvation for spirit, for soul, and for body.

I thank God for John Alexander Dowie, who came to proclaim the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD to this sinful world—salvation, healing, and holy living for poor, sinful, sick, and dying humanity.

I love God and Righteousness, but I hate the devil and sin. We are making war against the devil and the hosts of hell.

May God bless this message to some poor one who is far from God! He is calling today for you to come back to Father's House.

I give Him all the praise and glory.

MRS. HERMON G. PETERSON: I live at 2501 Elizabeth Avenue, ZION CITY, Illinois.

I praise God for healing me twenty-two years ago of rupture.

I was treated first by Dr. Fairbanks, and he sent me to Dr. Davis, at the Columbia Building in this City. After he had treated me for six weeks, and I was no better, but rather grew worse, I went to Dr. Parker, in the Chicago Opera House. Although he treated me for some time, I grew steadily worse.

There was a certain German gentleman who had heard Dr. Dowie in the little "wooden hut," and he said to my husband, "Why don't you take your wife down there? That minister prays for the sick, and they are being healed. I know your wife is a Christian, and she will receive her healing."

My husband went down to see Dr. Dowie, and then later he took me down.

It was the custom at that time for all those who wanted to be prayed with to come up to the altar and consecrate themselves to God.

I gave myself fully to God, and I know He heard and answered my prayer; and when Dr. Dowie laid hands upon me and prayed for me I was entirely healed. I have been a well woman ever since, and that was twenty-two years ago.

The doctors had told me I could live only a few months, but I thank God I have been the mother of eight children since then, and we are all happy in the Lord. We live in ZION CITY, and I think it is the best place on earth to raise a family.

I praise God for ZION.

MRS. H. W. SUTTON: My address is 920 Twenty-sixth Street, ZION CITY, Illinois. I formerly resided in Salem, Oregon.

I want to thank God this afternoon for this wonderful privilege of standing here as a living witness to God's saving, healing, cleansing, and keeping power.

When we first heard of ZION I was a helpless invalid, and had been so for almost three years. I had cancer of the left breast, cancerous tumor of the stomach, hereditary Bright's disease, and was still in an exhausted condition from a huge abscess which had formed on my left shoulder. This abscess was from June, 1899, to September, 1900, in forming, and when it broke it left me helpless in bed.

At this time we were consulting an old German doctor who did not believe in administering drugs. I would not consent to take any more drugs, because I saw what they were doing to me.

Then, too, the doctors were trying to persuade my husband to have me operated upon; but I would not give in to that.

I had no confidence in the doctors, although I did not know God. I had gone to church and to Sunday School, and tried to be faithful, but I did not know God, and I did not find Him there.

In January, 1902, we received the LEAVES OF HEALING for the first time. My oldest boy read a great deal to me, and in one of the papers we took was what was called the "Shut-Ins' Column," which made it possible for any invalid to send his or her name, asking for anything desired to pass away the time.

My son said, "This is near your birthday, and I am going to write and ask them to send you papers and literature and letters."

He did so, and among the literature which came was the LEAVES OF HEALING. Most of the literature was of a religious nature, and I had no time for it, because I had lost all confidence in the churches as well as the doctors. Therefore, I would not allow them to read any of the papers to me.

My husband had had to quit his work and stay right at home with me, owing to the fact that we could get no satisfactory help, and one day he came to my bed and said, "Here is something that is different from the rest of these papers, and I would like to read it to you."

I asked him what kind of a paper it was.

He said, "It is a religious paper, but it seems so much different that it makes me curious to know what is in it."

I said, "No, do not read it to me! I have no confidence in man, God, nor anything else any more."

I turned away, and he said, "What shall I do with it?"

I said, "Put it in the stove!"

However, he put it away in a box where we kept all the literature that came.

One Sunday morning some time later, he brought it to me and said, "Well, I guess I shall have to read this to you this morning, because all the other reading you care to hear has played out."

He sat down and began to look it over. He did not begin to read for a few minutes, but seemed to be expecting an answer from me.

I was lying there thinking. I was in such a terrible condition that I hardly knew the difference between summer and winter, daylight and darkness—they were all the same to me.

I will never forget how it was. I was not paying any attention to my husband, as he repeated to himself the words: "Patience"—"He sendeth His Word, and healeth them"—"I am the Lord that healeth thee"—"And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."

I was aroused at last, and when he got to the place where he read, "A Weekly Paper for the Extension of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, Edited and Published by Rev. John Alex. Dowie," every word went through me.

I do not remember what was on the front page, but as he read I found myself trying to get nearer the front of the bed, and listening intently.

When he noticed me trying to crawl to the front of the bed, he said, "Mamma, what is the matter?"

I said, "What is that you are reading?"

He said, "It is the paper you did not want me to read."

I said, "Come nearer, so I can understand you better."

He came closer, and I turned over so I could see his face, because I thought that would help me to understand him better.

As he read, I saw it was the true Word of God. I had studied the Word of God a great deal, and as I would lie there in bed I was able to repeat almost whole chapters of what I had read.

I soon learned it was not God's will that I should die, but that it was His will to heal me, so I could look after my two children.

For a while the devil played with me as a cat does with a mouse—he allowed me to escape a little ways, and then held me tighter than ever.

I had the smallpox and la grippe along with all my other diseases, and I got so low finally that they did not expect me to live another half-hour.

My husband said, "Mamma, what shall I do? Shall I write to Dr. Dowie and ask him to pray for your healing?"

I said, "Do not ask him to pray for my healing, because I do not know the Word of God well enough to retain it if I got it. But you can do this much for me, write and ask him to pray that

as I read God's Word I may understand it and learn how to trust Him for healing."

He sat down and wrote a few lines, and as he finished I fell asleep. When I awoke, about a half-hour later, I felt perfectly well. I believe now that, had I gotten up at that time, I would have been perfectly healed right then.

However, I did not know I was healed. I did not know anything about Divine Healing.

They began to carry me out-of-doors. That was in April, and by July I was well enough to write to Dr. Dowie myself and ask him to pray for my healing.

The first time he prayed I did not get the answer, but I was determined to get it.

We studied the LEAVES OF HEALING prayerfully and earnestly, and I began to get better.

When he answered my second letter, he said, "Give up all doctors and drugs, for God will not give His glory to another."

We threw away all medicines, and I said, "If God does not heal me, I am going to die; I will not be useless any more."

I thank God He perfectly healed me.

I had taken one hundred and seventy-seven quarts of medicine, besides forty-four bottles of a special cancer medicine.

I thank God that when He does a work it is a complete work. I have been able to do my own work for many years, and God wonderfully keeps and blesses.

I have a son in this audience, nine years of age, who has never tasted medicine and knows nothing about doctors.

I pray God to bless you all, and I ask the prayers of the ZION people that I may be faithful and earnest in the Master's work.

Evangelist Theodore Dreyer: My address is 1712 Hermon Avenue, ZION CITY, Illinois. I formerly resided in Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear friends, I am always glad to give thanks unto God for what he has done for me.

My testimony is a remarkable one and, while I hardly have time to give it in detail, God has wonderfully blessed me, and I thank Him that I have the privilege of standing upon this platform and telling my story to His honor and glory.

At one time I was a terrible sinner. Although I was brought up in a Christian home, with Christian parents, members of the Methodist Church, who took me to Sunday School when I was a little boy.

At the age of nine they sent me to work in a tobacco factory, and I learned to use tobacco at that age.

At the age of fourteen I became a drunkard. The first drink I ever had was when I worked in a furniture factory in Cincinnati, Ohio. I had a job carrying beer for the cabinet makers. I used two sticks and carried five buckets on each stick, and each of the men would give me a sip out of his bucket. When I came to the last one I was usually a little tipsy.

One time when I was drunk I told the foreman I was sick. On the way home I felt so drowsy and had such a headache that I threw myself down by the roadside and fell asleep. I told mother the same lie, that I was sick, when it was only that terrible drink.

Why, I would sometimes be shaking all over as I would enter the saloon and beg for a drink? Often I would be too drunk to pour it down my throat, and it would go all over my shirt bosom, and run down over my clothes.

People used to tell me, "You smell like a whisky distillery."

When I came home on a furlough from the Spanish American War, mother told me about a man who walked up and down the platform hitting sin from every side. I always enjoyed good preaching, so I said, "I believe I would like to hear him."

I went down to the Tabernacle one Sunday, and before I went in I took my pipe and knocked the ashes out on the side of the building.

Mother was sitting down near the front, but I took a seat near the door.

After the Elder had talked for a while on different subjects, he began to speak about tobacco. "Oh, you dirty stinkpots," he said, "how you stink! You may think you are a Christian, but you stink like the devil!"

I thought to myself, "That is pretty hard preaching. I bet he smells my pipe."

I was uneasy sitting there, but, feeling ashamed of myself, I decided to sit it out and listen to him.

Pretty soon he said, "You beerpots, how you do smell!"

By that time I was getting angry. I was sure he could smell me, and I said, "I will get out of here!" Then I thought, "No, it will not do for me to go, for he might call me back." I felt I ought to show a little respect for my mother sitting down in front.

When I went home that night, I passed the shop of a certain tailor, whom I knew quite well, and I went in and said to him, "That fellow down there calls a man who smokes a pipe a stink-pot."

He said, "Well, why don't you throw away your old pipe and buy cigars?"

I bought the cigars, as he told me, and when I got home, lo, and behold, there were two ZION men there. I felt glad to think I had gotten rid of the old pipe, and every minute I was expecting them to say something about what a good cigar I had.

However, one of them came up to me and put his arms around my neck, and said, "Brother, don't you know that is unclean unto you? Why don't you give it up? Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, and you are defiling it. Do you know what that is you have in your mouth?"

I said, "No."

He said, "It is the devil's tail."

I thought to myself, "For goodness sake, what next!"

Then he asked me to kneel in prayer with him.

I tell you, I never forgot that sermon.

I went back to Kentucky to be mustered out. When I came back I went on an awful spree. Oh, it was a terrible drunk! I had delirium tremens, and I spent some terrible nights. Often I could see myself in my coffin, and so on. Every time I would look in the looking-glass I would get frightened, thinking it was not I.

O Friends, there is power in prayer, for God has surely wonderfully delivered me from the grasp of whisky, beer, and tobacco.

One time I was tramping up the railroad track, when I was on one of those awful drunks, and I fell down in a snowdrift on the track and went to sleep, never thinking of the danger.

However, God knew I had a work yet to do, and while I slept a cat came and cried, "Meow!" in my ear. I woke up, took the cat in my arms, walked up the track a short distance, and stepped off just in time for a fast train to thunder by.

I believe God sent that cat to save my life, and today I am a living witness to God's saving, healing, cleansing, and keeping power.

ZION has the message for today.

Another time I decided to go away from home, hoping that in some way I might get away from drink. I had asked many people what I could do to be saved, but no one could help me. And so I decided to tramp my way over the country. I had traveled for some distance up the railroad track, when a passenger train came by and stopped and I hopped on the step, thinking the conductor would not see me. He came around in a few minutes, though, and said, "Fares?" I told him I had no money, and he said, "Get off then!" I said, "The train is going and I cannot get off now." He insisted, however, holding a revolver right in my face. I hung there on the side of the car for a minute, and when I finally let myself go, as I went tumbling down the side of that steep hill, all sorts of awful things flashed through my mind. I remembered a friend of mine, whose funeral I had attended not long before, who had been found dead, lying by the side of the track; and I could see myself in a like condition.

Again God saved me, and when I had scrambled to my feet, I said, "This is hell." Oh, it was a terrible life to live.

I started back home—walked all the way. I told mother the whole story, and she said, "Son, you could stay here if you only would behave yourself, if you would do what is right."

The first thing in the morning I used to have to have my whisky; now the first thing is prayer. As soon as I rise I think of my Heavenly Father, and I carry a hymn book with me instead of a bottle of whisky.

Thanks be unto God, I have five children who were born without doctors and have never tasted drugs.

My little boy had the earache one night, and he prayed, "In Jesus' Name heal my ears; Amen." God heard and answered him.

Oh, if there is one here who is a slave to tobacco or drink, get to God. Give your heart to God today, for today is the day of salvation—not tonight nor tomorrow.

My life has been a happy one for seventeen years, and it is entirely in God's hand.

I praise God for the privilege of standing upon this platform and giving my testimony, and I pray that somebody may be saved.

I thank God for ZION and for our dear General Overseer. Had it not been for him there would be no ZION today. He married me fifteen years ago in Cincinnati, Ohio, in his own home, and it was a happy time. I thank God for a happy home.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let all stand, while we sing one verse of the hymn, "WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS!"

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear;
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer.
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry,
Everything to God in prayer.

APOSTLE PECKHAM then closed the service with the following

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for these witnesses and for the great cloud of witnesses we have in Zion. We pray Thee to bless the testimonies which have been given today to each one of us, especially to any who are hesitating as to whether they shall trust God, believe His promises, and go forward in the life of faith. O God, bless this congregation. Bless them as they gather here next Lord's Day to listen to the voice of Thy servant, our General Overseer. We pray Thee to let Thy Face shine upon us, that Thy will may be done upon earth and Thy Saving Health be known among all nations. In His Name and for His sake; Amen.

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost,"

In Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, by Elder Silas Moot:

March 31, 1916

Roberts, Mr. J. E. Missouri
Sprinkle, Mr. W. Illinois

In Central ZION Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, by Evangelist Guy K. Neal:

March 28, 1916

Ackerman, Mrs. Lena Illinois
Bullard, Mrs. Annie Illinois
Burkey, Miss Lydia B. Illinois
Crane, Mr. Cecil W. Illinois
Crane, Mrs. Christina L. Illinois
Farnes, Mr. Samuel Illinois
Johnson, Mrs. Ellen Illinois
Kolious, Mrs. Annie Illinois
Leipziger, Mrs. Minnie Illinois
Lucas, Mrs. Carrie Illinois
Lund, Miss Alma K. Illinois
Morin, Mr. Harold J. Illinois

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Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

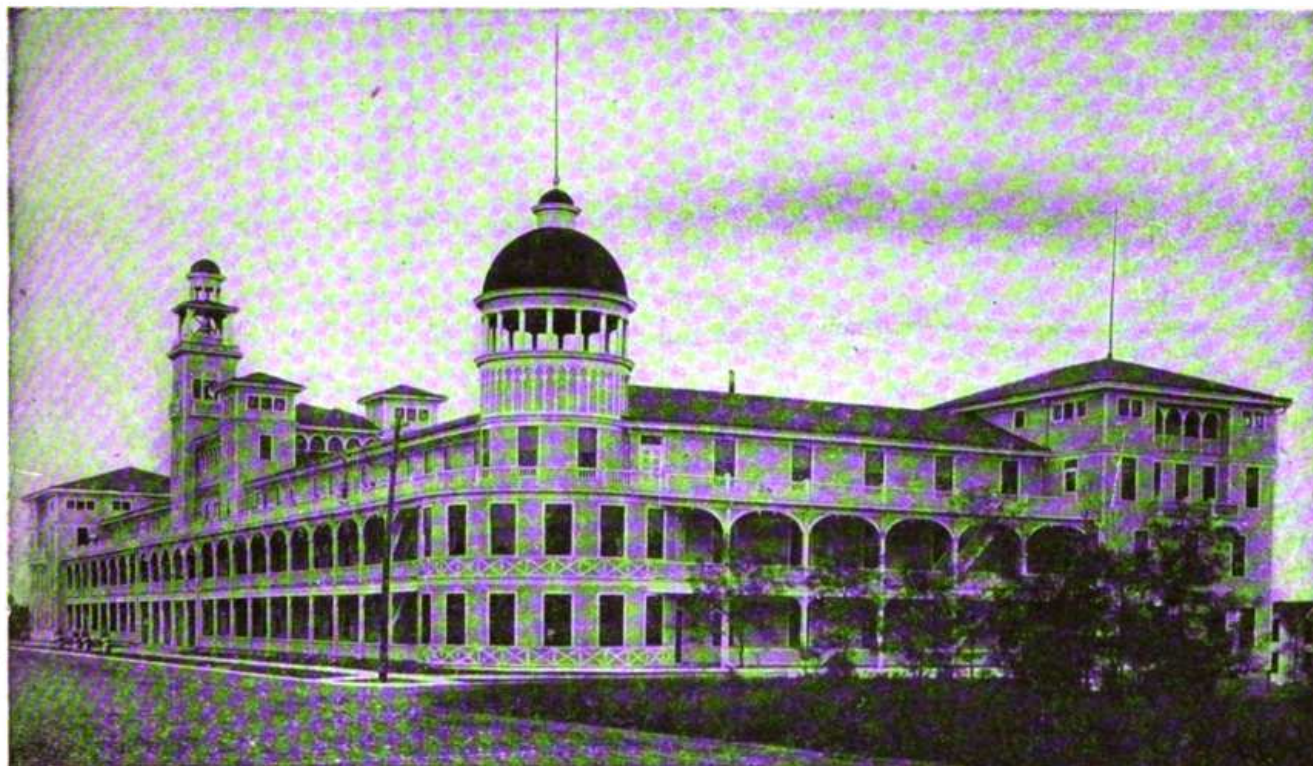
ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid Zion nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

TO ALL PERSONS BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF ZION CITY

WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BUILDING UP ZION CITY

WE want every person who has property outside of Zion City for sale, who desires to invest the proceeds in Zion City real estate or in Zion Institutions and Industries, to list same with us. We are in a position to be of help to you in disposing of it.

¶ We trust that you have carefully examined the map sent out with the "Leaves of Healing" Vol. 37, No. 21. This is the most complete map that has ever been issued of Zion City site and Zion Estate, and clearly indicates the amount of farm land that has been disposed of, and the small proportion of the entire Estate which remains to be sold.

¶ If you feel any responsibility whatever in the establishment of Zion City at this time, why should you delay in making whatever moves are necessary to assist in this work?

¶ We also want to call your attention to the ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES which pay six per cent on all investments. We have just closed a six months inventory period, which has been very satisfactory. Don't you want your investments where they will be used for the extension of the Kingdom of God and building up Institutions, the purpose of which is to give employment to Zion people? Zion City cannot be built and maintained without industries. Have you any part in them? Do you want any part in them? Time is passing rapidly. Why delay?

¶ We will gladly answer any communication in regard to either of the above propositions.

Yours respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN,
General Manager.

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No. 5.	10-room house, fine location, modern, hot water system	4,700.00
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"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"

By Apostle Anton Darms

THE Resurrection is the glorious Triumphal Arch, through which Jesus the Christ passed from earth to Heaven.

From time immemorial, it has been customary among nations, to designate their triumph over their captive foes, by the building of a triumphal arch in honor of the victor.

A great demonstration was then made when the conqueror, having returned from the bloody battle field, brought with him not only those who had fought the bitter enemy, but also a large number of captive subjects. They all passed through the triumphal arch, for the purpose of publicly attesting the mighty victory which had been wrested from the enemy.

The battles of men and nations fade into insignificance, in comparison with the battle which was fought by the Captain of our salvation. Against Him were arrayed all the powers of hell, death and the grave.

He came to redeem the sinful; and to rescue the dying from the power of Satan. His peculiar mission was to the house of Israel, the chosen people of God, who for many generations, had been looking forward to the coming of the Messiah.

JESUS THE CHRIST REJECTED BY HIS CHOSEN PEOPLE

After publicly attesting His Messianic ministry through mighty signs, wonders, and miracles, wrought by the power of God, the Christ found Himself rejected at last by His own people. The entire nation had been deeply affected by His public ministry.

The resurrection of Lazarus in Bethany had made a most profound impression upon the people; and, as a result of this mighty miracle, a large number had come to accept Him as the promised Messiah. During the last Passover week, before the close of Christ's ministry, the multitudes publicly acclaimed Him as the Son of David, crying:

"Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

"And Jesus, when He had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion: behold, Thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt."—John 12:13-15.

It was but a few days afterwards that the multitudes cried: "Crucify, crucify Him, we will not have this man to rule over us."

Pilate, contrary to his own convictions, in spite of the warning sent by his wife, delivered Jesus to be crucified. The soldiers were permitted to mock Him; to spit upon His face; to smite Him with the rod; to array Him in a royal garb; and to crown Him with thorns. At last, the Christ was compelled to carry His own cross, through the streets of Jerusalem.

They brought Him to the place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull; and there they crucified Him between two thieves; parting His garments among the soldiers; and casting lots upon His vesture.

"And set up over His head His accusation written, This is Jesus the King of the Jews."—Matthew 27:37.

THE CRUCIFIXION, THE WORLD'S SADDEST SCENE

Even the very sun was darkened; for there was darkness over all the land, from the sixth unto the ninth hour.

"The veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent."—Matthew 27:51.

Early in His public ministry, when asked to give a sign of His Messianic authority, the Christ said, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."—John 2:19.

His disciples understood not the far-reaching meaning of these words; but the enemies of Christ remembered them at the time of His trial before Caiaphas; and used them in order to taunt the crucified Saviour of mankind in His dying hour.

Jesus had often spoken concerning His own sufferings, His crucifixion, His death, His burial, and also of His resurrection;

but the disciples failed, at any time, to comprehend that the resurrection would be the final outcome of His Messianic ministry.

THE TERRIBLE CONTEMPT HEAPED UPON THE CRUCIFIED KING

The enemies of the Christ had a deep seated conviction, that they must do everything, within their power, to destroy His Messianic ministry; and when they had crucified Him, they passed by, reviling Him, wagging their heads, and saying,

"Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save Thyself. If Thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

"He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He be the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him.

"He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now, if He will have Him: for He said, I am the Son of God."—Matthew 27: 40, 42, 43.

At last, when the body of Jesus was laid, by Joseph of Arimathea, in his own new tomb, hewn out in the rock, and a great stone rolled to the door of the sepulchre; the chief priests and the Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying,

"Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while He was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.

"Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night, and steal Him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

"Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can.

"So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch."—Matthew 27:63-66.

"For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth."—Job 19:25.

"For Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption."—Psalms 16:10.

"But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for He shall receive me."—Psalm 49:15.

"He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces; and the rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it."—Isaiah 25:8.

"I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes."—Hosea 13:14.

THE SORROWING DISCIPLES HAD NO CONCEPTION OF JESUS' RESURRECTION

No matter how wonderful the ministry of the Christ had been, and how many miracles of healing had been wrought; had He remained in the power of death, it would have been impossible for His cause, for His church, for His Kingdom, and for His disciples ever to have survived the terrible shock which His crucifixion caused. Jesus would have been, no doubt, placed among the great, the good, and the benevolent, but He could not have been the Christ, the Messiah, the Anointed of God, the Son of David, or the Son of God.

He would have been only a human character, His mission that of a good man; but not the mission of a man Who is God, or of God Who is man. It would not have been the mission of Emmanuel, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, and the Prince of Peace.

Listen to the far reaching words of the Apostle Paul, in which he shows what the outcome would have been, had the Christ not risen from the grave;

"And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain."

Once having Christ a captive within the tomb, Satan and all his emissaries were determined to keep Him there. Had they been able to carry out their plans, the ministry of Christ would have closed forever; for He would have stood before the bar of judgment as an impostor, having many times spoken of the resurrection which would follow His crucifixion and death; see Matthew 16:21; Matthew 17:22, 23; Mark 8:31; Mark 9:31; Luke 9:22; Luke 18:31-33; John 2:18, 19; John 11:25-27.

The hearts of His disciples were filled with utter despair, at the time of His death and burial. None of His followers had

any conception, that the mightiest of all miracles was to be wrought upon His body, within the grave.

The women, indeed, came on the third day to the tomb; but not for the purpose of beholding a risen Christ, but in order to bring spices for the embalming and preservation of His body, that had been laid within the tomb.

Why should they not have looked forward to the resurrection of Him Who had made the resurrection possible for others, during His ministry, and Who had said of Himself, "I am the resurrection and the life"?

Why should they not have expected God to raise up His Only Begotten Son; concerning Whose resurrection many prophecies had been given in the Old Testament.

"Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ: Whom He raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.

"For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised.

"And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.

"Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

"If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable."—I Corinthians 15:14-19.

WITHOUT THE RESURRECTION THE ATONEMENT WOULD BE INEFFECTUOUS

Mankind could have had no assurance of the living Redeemer, and humanity could have had no testimony as to the divine acceptance of the vicarious sacrifice of Jesus the Christ as the Lamb of God, slain from the foundation of the world; no one could have had any assurance of divine forgiveness, or justification, or pardon of sin and guilt; and all hope of salvation from the power of Satan would have been in vain, had Christ remained within the grave.

"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

"For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

"For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."—I Corinthians 15:20-22.

Again we repeat the words quoted above, "Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept."

Here it is over the open grave, in which all humanity had been buried, with the exception of Enoch and Elijah; here it is over the open grave, in which are bound up all the sorrows, the woes, the sufferings, and the failures of sinful humanity; here it is over the open grave, where Satan ruled supreme as the enemy of God and mankind; here it is over the open grave that God set up the memorial of triumph and victory for His Son,—the arch of resurrection,—the arch of life, hope, peace, and joy, through which Christ passed from earth to Heaven; the Conqueror over Satan, the Messiah, the Saviour, the Redeemer of mankind.

"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

"The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus the Christ."—I Corinthians 15:55-57.

It was after the flood that God set the bow of promise in the clouds, as the memorial of His covenant with humanity, for all the generations to come.

It was after the terrible suffering and agony; the ignominious death and burial of the Christ, that He passed through the gates of hell; making an open triumph of His work of Eternal Redemption, because He had conquered death, the grave, and hell itself.

THE RESURRECTION, CHRIST'S TRIUMPHAL ARCH OF VICTORY

This triumphal arch of victory was raised by the Eternal God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in the glorious resurrection of Jesus the Christ.

Every sinner, crying to God for repentance, pardon, and salvation; every sick one, crying to God for healing and deliverance; every saint, crying to God for cleansing, sanctification and a full salvation, may now follow the Captain of their salvation through the glorious triumphal arch of His resurrection, and obtain the blessings of a full redemption.

At last, the saints who have fallen asleep in Jesus, will hear

the trumpet, and be raised from their graves to pass with those that are looking for His coming through this triumphal arch of the resurrection.

All the angels of Heaven will behold the triumphal procession of the redeemed, as they are taken by the Christ into heavenly places to become His bride.

The resurrection of Jesus the Christ stands out as a striking reality, as much as does His crucifixion and death. The fact of the resurrection is corroborated by many witnesses.

Every true follower of the Christ should read over the chapters in the Gospel, bearing on the resurrection of our Lord. See Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 21 and 22.

What a wonderful transformation took place in the minds and hearts of the disciples, after the glorious resurrection of the Christ! Their fears were banished; their hope was revived; their fellowship was endeared; and their understanding of the Holy Scriptures was enlightened. The keynote of triumph and victory took possession of their minds and hearts.

Once assured of the fact and reality of His glorious resurrection, nothing could ever rob them of their faith in a living Redeemer. They had seen Him face to face; they had heard His loving voice, saying, as He entered unexpectedly into the upper room, "Peace be unto you!"

"And when He had said so, He shewed unto them His hands and His side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

"Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

"And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

"Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained."—John 20:20-23.

We may think it strange that in the face of overwhelming evidence, on the part of the women and the disciples, that there should have been a doubting Thomas, who said,

"Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe."—John 20:25.

Even this doubting disciple was transformed within eight days, when beholding with his own eyes the living, risen Christ, he then uttered the words, "My Lord and my God!"

"Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."—John 20:29.

THE WONDERFUL TRIUMPH BROUGHT ABOUT IN THE CHURCH THROUGH CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

In what way can we account for the wonderful change that came about in the minds and hearts of Christ's followers after His resurrection, unless every trace of doubt and uncertainty had been removed?

How would it have been possible for these humble fishermen ever to have stood before the rulers, and the people of Israel, accusing them of the crucifixion and death of Jesus the Christ, unless they had known that God had raised Him from the dead?

How would it have been possible for Saul of Tarsus, the great persecutor of the early church, who consented to the death of Stephen, and was engaged in haling many into prison, to be transformed into an ardent disciple and follower of the Christ, at the very time when he was on his way to Damascus, persecuting the followers of Christ, unless he had seen the vision of the living, risen Christ, and himself could testify to the fact of Christ's resurrection?

How could it have been possible for the cause of Christ to triumph over the civil power of Rome, had it not been that the resurrection of Jesus the Christ inspired the martyrs to lay down their lives, as a testimony of their faith in the living Redeemer?

The message, concerning the resurrection of the Christ, at this glad Easter time, should awaken in the heart of every true believer, a new faith and trust in the living God.

You may have some great burden to bear that you can share with no one else. Your heart may be filled with doubt and with fear, aye, with despair; but know assuredly that the stone has been rolled away, and you may now come in touch with the living Son of God; Who has made a full atonement for the salvation of spirit, soul and body.

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Shall not you and I, much more, at this glad Easter time, look up to the risen Christ, and by simple, childlike faith accept Him as our Saviour, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper, and then exclaim,

I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH!

Lives Again Our Glorious King

Christ the Lord is risen today,
Sons of men and angels say:
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply!

Love's redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won:
Lo! our Sun's eclipse is o'er;
Lo! He sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ hath burst the gates of hell!
Death in vain forbids His rise;
Christ hath opened paradise!

Risen with Him, we upward move;
Still we seek the things above;
Still pursue, and kiss the Son
Seated on His Father's throne.

Scarce on earth a thought bestow,
Dead to all we leave below:
Heaven our aim, and loved abode;
Hid our life with Christ in God,—

Hid, till Christ our Life appear
Glorious in His members here;
Joined to Him, we then shall shine,
All immortal, all divine.

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**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong."** 1 Corinthians 16:13

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Editorial Notes

By Apostle E. L. Carey

BELIEVEST THOU THIS?

THIS WAS THE QUESTION put by Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, to Martha, the sister of Mary and Lazarus.

LAZARUS was dead.

When Jesus arrived at Bethany, Lazarus had been in the grave four days.

As soon as Martha heard that Jesus was coming to Bethany, she went and met Him. Her first words were, "Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died." Then she said, "But I know, that even now, whatsoever Thou wilt ask of God, God will give it Thee."

Jesus immediately answered her: "THY BROTHER SHALL RISE AGAIN."

Martha's reply was, "I know that he shall rise again in the Resurrection at the Last Day."

Then Jesus uttered those wonderful words: "I AM THE RESURRECTION, AND THE LIFE: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

"And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.

"Believest thou this?"

MARTHA'S RESPONSE was immediate and hearty: "Yea, Lord: I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, Who should come into the world."

It was a wonderful answer!

Everything depended upon her answer.

Everything depends upon our answer today.

THE QUESTION COMES to every man and to every woman: BELIEVEST THOU THIS?

We must all answer this question one way or the other.

"WHEN the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"

This question was asked, by Jesus, at another time.

Looking down through the centuries, He saw that when the time arrived, that He should come again to this earth, there would be very little faith on the earth.

WHAT do men believe?

They believe the philosophies of men.

They believe in this teaching and in that teaching; in

this theory and in that theory; they are influenced by this great (?) man's opinion, and by that great (?) man's opinion.

TODAY, THE BIBLE is being criticized from the first verse in Genesis to the last verse in Revelation.

The Bible would present a sorry picture, indeed, if it were left in the hands of the infidels, and so-called higher critics, as judges.

Thank God, these men are not our guides!
Thank God, there are a few men and women left on this earth yet, who believe in the infallibility, and the inspiration of the Word of God from Genesis to Revelation!

THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY—This was the subject which Jesus presented to Martha, and concerning which He asked the question which we have already quoted.

JESUS OPENLY STATED that He would suffer at the hands of wicked men, and die, but that after three days He would rise from the dead. We have the testimonies of many witnesses to the effect that Jesus did rise; and so, at this time, we celebrate this wonderful event.

TO THE CHRISTIAN, Easter time brings gladness and true joy, for as his Lord and Master arose from the dead, so will he also, if the Lord tarry, be raised to life again.

Is our faith well founded?
If not, then we have no hope.
And Paul was right when he said, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." Immediately after saying this, Paul makes his great affirmation which comes ringing down the centuries to us:

"BUT NOW IS CHRIST RISEN FROM THE DEAD, AND BECOME THE FIRSTFRUITS OF THEM THAT SLEPT."

Thank God there is hope!—the grand and glorious hope of the Resurrection!

Christ has risen, and so we shall rise.
What power there is in this truth!
"He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

"And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

WE HAVE a great Savior!
We have an Omnipotent Christ!
He has overcome death.
He is a Living Savior, not a dead one.
He has suffered death for our sins.
He has risen for our justification.
We have a sure foundation!
From our sins, and in our distress, we have turned

to Him, and He has stretched forth His Omnipotent arm and has drawn us up out of "an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set our feet upon a rock."

THE POWER of His Life has come into our life, so that we know Him and the power of His Resurrection.

To have a part in the Resurrection of the Just, we must also, as Paul points out, know the "fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death;

"If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

"Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.*"

ZION, IT IS FOR US, therefore, to suffer with the Christ. Then we shall have a part in the glorious Resurrection of the Righteous.

We must be a people who are to forget the things that are behind—a people reaching forward to those things which are before.

In Paul's Epistle to the Philippians, from which we have just quoted, he refers to the fact that there were many so-called Christians, whose walk in life was such as to make him weep, for they had proved themselves to be, in reality, the "enemies of the cross of Christ:

"Whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things."

THE CHILDREN OF GOD are a people whose conversation is in heaven;

"From whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself."

HE WHO IS ABLE to do all things—even to "subdue all things unto Himself," can take us, weak as we are, and make us what we ought to be, and prepare us, so that at last, by His power, these vile bodies of ours shall be changed, and made like unto His glorious body:

"For the Lord Himself shall descend with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

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The Glorious Blessings of the Resurrection Life

An Easter Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, April 12, 1914

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

Promptly at 2:30 p. m. the ZION WHITE-ROBED CHOIR entered the Tabernacle, singing in PROCESSIONAL: "CHRIST IS RISEN, CHRIST IS RISEN!"

Christ is risen, Christ is risen!
He hath burst His bonds in twain;
Christ is risen, Christ is risen!
Alleluia! swell the strain.
For our gain He suffered loss
By divine decree;
He hath died upon the cross,
But our God is He.

See, the chains of death are broken;
Earth below and Heav'n above,
Joy in each amazing token
Of His rising, Lord of love;
He for evermore shall reign
By the Father's side,
Till He comes to earth again,
Comes to claim His bride.

Glorious angels downward thronging
Hail the Lord of all the skies;
Heav'n with joy and holy longing
For the Word incarnate, cries,
Christ is risen! Earth, rejoice,
Gleam, ye starry train;
All creation, find a voice;
He o'er all shall reign.

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause Thy Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations.
For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let us unite in singing hymn No. 485
—"WHEN I SHALL WAKE."

When I shall wake in that fair morn of morns,
After whose dawning never night returns,
And with whose glory day eternal burns,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

REFRAIN:—

I shall be satisfied,
I shall be satisfied.

When I shall wake in that fair morn of morns.

When I shall see Thy glory face to face,
When in Thine arms Thou wilt Thy child embrace,
When Thou shalt open all Thy store of grace,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

When I shall meet with those that I have loved,
Clasp in my arms the dear ones long removed,
And find how faithful Thou to me hast proved,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

When I shall gaze upon the face of Him
Who died for me, with eyes no longer dim,
And praise Him with the everlasting hymn,
I shall be satisfied, be satisfied.

APOSTLE ROYALL: Let all give attention to the reading of the Inspired Word of God. In the 28th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew:

In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

And, behold, there was a great earthquake, for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow.

And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, Who was crucified.

He is not here: for HE IS RISEN, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

And go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead; and, behold, He goeth before you into Galilee; and there shall ye see Him; lo, I have told you.

And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring His disciples word.

And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held Him by the feet, and worshipped Him.

Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell My brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see Me.

Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers.

Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole Him away while we slept.

And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

And when they saw Him, they worshipped Him, but some doubted.

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto Me in Heaven and in earth.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

May God bless the reading of His own Word!

The Anthem—"KING OF KINGS," by *Simper*, was then rendered by the SENIOR CHOIR, after which ELDER PECKHAM offered

— P R A Y E R —

Almighty God our Heavenly Father, upon another Lord's Day we gather in the house of God to worship. We thank Thee that through another week Thy goodness and Thy mercy has attended our every step, and that Thou hast watched over and cared for us; that Thou hast supplied our every need; filled us with the Holy Spirit; and fed us with the manna from on High.

We gather here this afternoon with hearts full of gratitude and of thanksgiving to Thee, for the many blessings that Thou hast poured out upon us, of temporal things of this earth and of this world and life.

We come to Thee with praise upon our lips, and in our hearts, because of the wondrous Gift of Thine Only Begotten Son, Jesus the Christ, Who came from God the Father, lived upon the earth, suffered, died—shed His precious blood upon the cruel cross, paid the debt, and brought us redemption for spirit, soul and body.

We thank Thee that upon this Easter day we can gather, conscious, O God, that the Risen Christ is with us; that by His Spirit He does come and manifest Himself unto us, who have kept His commandments: who love Him and love His way, and His truth, and His words; and who have followed in His footsteps.

O God, our Heavenly Father, as we have gathered in this house this afternoon, we pray Thee to bless us as Thou hast never blessed us before; let Thy Spirit sweep through our hearts, through the audience, through the City; and move by Thy Spirit upon every spirit, and bring them to the feet of Jesus; make them to know that God is their Father; that Jesus the Christ is their Saviour; that the Holy Spirit is their Comforter, Sanctifier, and daily Guide.

O our Father, we pray Thy blessings upon him, who shall speak to us this afternoon some words concerning the Glorious Christ, and the glorious Resurrection. Let Thy Spirit attend the Message. Grant that as we speak, and as we pray, and as we sing, we may have it in our hearts to crown as King of kings, and Lord of lords, Him, Who is to us "ALL AND IN ALL;" Him, Who is the Coming

One; Him Who shall come in the glory and power which He had with Thee in the beginning; and which He has at the right hand of God the Father; and which He shall have when He comes in the clouds, with great glory and power.

Oh, we thank Thee for the Risen Christ; for all the wondrous story that gathers around the Tomb, and that comes to us from the Mount of Olives, and that speaks to us out of the clouds.

We thank Thee, our Father, for Him Who lives—Who ever lives to make intercession for us; and for the victory which we have through faith in Jesus the Christ. We praise Thee this afternoon that we know the power of His Resurrection; that we have gone with Him down into the valley of suffering; that we have walked with Him in the valley of the shadow of death; that we have walked with Him, and have known what it is to suffer with Him.

We thank Thee this afternoon, our God and Father, that we have known Him, Whom to know aright is eternal life; that we have felt from day to day the burden of the sins of humanity, in some degree as He felt them; that we have known what was the agony of His Spirit, as He sweat the drops of blood, and bore the sins of humanity, and upon the Cross knew that God His Father, for the moment, had turned His Face from Him, and that alone He must bear the burden of the sins, the sorrows, the sicknesses, the woes of humanity.

O God, we thank Thee that Thou didst, in Thine own time, call Him forth from the cruel grave, and up to Thy right hand; and that because He lives we shall live also; and by and by we shall see Him, and be satisfied; by and by we shall meet the loved ones gone before; for, He Who entered the tomb, and came forth triumphant over death and the grave, is still the Living Christ, and has said, "I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

Oh, we thank Thee for this day, for the joy of the Easter-tide. We thank Thee for the glorious hope which we have in Christ Jesus.

We thank Thee, O God, that in these days, Thou hast established Zion, in fulfilment of the prophecies of Thy Word; and that Thou hast said, that when Thou shalt build up Zion, then the Lord shall appear in His glory. We praise Thee, that we know that the Christ will soon appear.

Let Thy blessing rest upon this part of the service. Bless the Choir. Bless all who shall listen to the singing, and to the preaching, and to the praying; and may we enter into all with our hearts; not that it shall be a service for others, but that it shall be an individual service, and that we shall each one draw near to God; that we shall each one lift up our hearts; that we shall each one realize that the Christ is near, and know the power of His Resurrection.

We pray Thy blessing upon Zion in every land. We pray Thy blessing this afternoon upon those who have gone out with the Message. Bless those who are standing alone, in various places, in this and other lands, holding up the Banner of Zion, calling the people to repentance; and preparing the way for the coming of the Lord—preparing the Church "without spot or wrinkle," the Bride of the Coming Christ.

We pray Thy blessing this afternoon upon all the varied interests of Zion. We pray Thy blessing to be upon our land, upon our President, upon all in authority, upon all who have responsibilities resting upon them, and who are carrying responsibilities for the people. Help them. O God, to realize that they must answer to Thee.

O God, let Thy Holy Spirit be the mighty, moving power in every life, and grant that as we live, Christ may live in us. Help us to say with the Apostle Paul, that we are crucified with Christ, yet we live; yet not we, but Christ liveth in us.

Hear us, our Father!

Draw us all into a sacred nearness to Thyself; and let us know this day, that we are indeed children of God, and joint heirs with Jesus the Christ, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away.

Hear us in His Name and for His sake. Amen.

The SENIOR CHOIR then rendered the Anthem—"AWAKE, THOU THAT SLEEPEST!" by Jackson.

Following the Offertory, by Dr. Hyland Em. Wilson, the General Overseer made the usual Announcements for the week, after which a sextet rendered the selection—"ANGELS, ROLL THE STONE AWAY," by *Schnecker*.

—INVOCATION—

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight; and in the Name of Jesus the Christ, and in the power of the Holy Spirit be sanctified unto the good of all present, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

—SCRIPTURE—

In the Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter, beginning with the 5th verse I read the declaration of the angel, and also the declaration of Jesus Himself:

And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye; for I know that ye seek Jesus, Who was crucified.

He is not here: for HE IS RISEN, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

And go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead; and, behold, He goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see Him: lo, I have told you.

And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring His disciples word.

And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held Him by the feet, and worshipped Him.

Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell My brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see Me. (Verses 5-10)

In the First Epistle of John, the 3rd chapter, I read the first three verses:

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not.

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; for we shall see Him as He is.

And every man who hath hope in Him purifieth himself, even as He is pure.

—ADDRESS—

The desire of my heart this afternoon, is to deliver to you an address, dealing with the Subject of the Resurrection, in the most simple and practical manner.

First of all, standing here on this the Twelfth of April, 1914, and recognizing this day, the Lord's Day, as Easter Lord's Day, I want to impress upon your minds, that never since the day that Christ came forth from the tomb, were His disciples face to face with more, and graver perils, than they are this very day.

God's People Never had Graver Perils to Face, than Today

There was a time, when the incarnation, the life, the teaching, the words and the works, the crucifixion, the resurrection and ascension, and the doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ, were fiercely assailed by a small company of noted men, known as "Atheists."

They, of course, took great delight in ridiculing everything which was designated by the term "supernatural." They spoke, as did Ingersoll, on the mistakes of Moses; they ridiculed the Mosaic account of Creation; they laughed at the story of the fall; made light of the story of Jonah and the whale; Daniel in the lions' den; the falling of the walls of Jericho; the smiting of the army of Sennacherib; and they laughed at all the miracles recorded in the New Testament, as well as the miracles recorded in the Old Testament.

These noted Atheists had their day, and they departed. Sad to say they have many successors. Where there was one Ingersoll, there are now thousands of little smart alecks—tools of the devil!—who have attended theological seminaries, and have been granted diplomas, given degrees, and turned loose upon poor, sin-stricken, disease-smitten humanity, to undermine the very foundation of their faith.

The Devil Uses Many Ministers, to Discredit the Word of God

We have today, in hundreds of so-called churches, men posing as ministers of the Gospel—some of them more or less prominent, and some of them very little known—who tell the people that the Bible must be read and studied, just like any other book; that we have outgrown the Bible; and that no one of intelligence, any longer believes the story of Adam and Eve.

As soon as that statement is made, men and women sitting in the audience begin to say to themselves, "Well, if that story is to be discarded, how are we to know what is true and what is false?"

Then these little smart alecks (who will never get their just dues, until they are burning in hell, with their blood-soaked garments—the blood of the victims whom they have deceived, and led to destruction)—attack the story of Moses and the burning bush, Daniel in the lions' den, everything that is supernatural; and they laugh at the idea that God Almighty had anything to do with it.

Now, the consequence of attacking one part of the Bible is that, sooner or later, they will attack all parts of the Bible. And—tools of the devil that they are!—they will leave the poor people stranded, without hope, and without faith.

That is just where the masses of the people are this afternoon!

Next in order, is to attack the Immaculate Conception of Christ. And today, throughout the length and breadth of this Land, and other lands, you will find thousands of little, pimple-headed upstarts, wearing clerical garbs, elevating their little pimples, at the angle of forty-five degrees, and telling the people that nobody with any sense any longer believes in the Immaculate Conception of Christ; that the idea that the Angel of God visited the Virgin Mary, and spoke to her the words that he did, and that he told her that that which was conceived in her, was of the Holy Ghost, may be all right for old men and women in their dotage, and children, to believe, but that the highly educated, and the refined no longer believe it.

Away goes your Immaculate Conception of Christ, and the Incarnation, and the preexistence of Christ!

Unitarians Deny the Divinity of the Christ, and Reject His Miracles

Then the next thing, along comes the Unitarian infidel—and have they any right to expect me to call them Christians? I do not call them Christians; I call them infidels of the rankest type!

They tell you that Christ was a Good Man; but only a Man. And the next thing we hear them ridiculing the healings, and the miracles; and they laugh at them. Are you surprised that they go up and down the Land, telling the people that there are no miracles today, when they do not believe there were any miracles, in the days of Christ?

Some of them say, "Oh, the people believed so and so, and Christ just let them believe it." When it comes to the doctrine of demoniacal possession, they laugh at that, and they say that the people thought so, and Christ just let them think it.

The next thing, is to pooh-pooh the doctrine of the Resurrection. There will be addresses delivered today, in buildings that have spires, steeples, in buildings that have organs, and pews, and choirs, and all the paraphernalia of a church, and they will tell the people, that the doctrine of the Resurrection is a myth; they will tell the people, that Christ never arose from the tomb.

Is it any wonder that we have the conditions that prevail today?

Is it any wonder, that Christianity has almost died out in the Land?

Is it any wonder, that piety is a very scarce article?

Some Declare, the World is Growing Better, Though Evils are Increasing, on Every Hand

Is it any wonder, that there is no longer any regard for marriage, and that divorces are granted, by the tens and scores of thousands; until it is true today, in the United States, as it was in the days before Rome's fall, that a woman is judged by the number of husbands she has had, and by the number of divorces that have been granted to her?

Put God out of your thoughts; make out that Jesus the Christ was only a Man, like you and like me; cast reflections upon the Bible, attack it right and left; and you will soon have hell on earth. And that is just what we have this afternoon!

Some of these sophomoric fools will stand up and tell you that the world is growing beautifully better. They are probably preaching to about seven women, two men and three children.

Unless you are converted, rooted and grounded in the Faith, the avalanche will get you, and sweep you on to destruction.

One thing I never want to be guilty of—I do not want to be guilty of *any* wrong—one thing I do not want to be guilty of, and that is to let people think they are on the road to Heaven, when they are sliding rapidly into the jaws of hell.

It means something to be a child of God; it means something to be a Christian.

We have, in the Gospel according to St. Matthew, in the chapter read—the 28th—the story of the Resurrection of Christ. We have it told in the last chapter of the Gospel of Mark; and in the last chapter of Luke; and in the 20th, or next to the last chapter of the Gospel according to St. John.

I have read to you the declaration of the Angel of God. I have read to you the declaration of Christ Himself. I have read to you one of those inspirational outbursts of the beloved Apostle John, when, in ecstasy, he exclaims: "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God:" and such we are. And then he adds, "And it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when He shall appear (or is made manifest, or is revealed, or shows

Himself, or is made known), *we shall be like Him*; for we shall see Him as He is."

Man, Created in the Image of God, is a Triune Being with Spirit, Soul and Body

In our study of the Resurrection of Christ, we should couple with it a brief study of man in the Bible. We are told that when the time came to create man, God said, "Let us make man in Our image, after Our likeness." He did not say that of animals—dogs, cattle and horses, the animals of the sea or of the land, of the birds of the air; but when the time came to create *man*, He did say, "Let us make man in Our image."

God was the Speaker there, and He was talking to His Only Begotten Son and to the Holy Ghost—three Persons in the Godhead, God being the First; and they were holding a council. In that council God said, "Let us make man in Our image."

As you sit here this afternoon, men and women, ponder what it means that man was created in God's image. Wherein do we differ from the animals? So far as the conduct of many people is concerned, they are lower than the animals. You never saw an animal get as low-down as a great many people get. People do a lot of things that animals would not do; and every fairly well-informed person knows that that is true.

Genesis makes it very plain that a man has a spirit, and he has a soul, and he has a body. Although theology—which for the most part, is a conglomeration; and if nine-tenths of all the books ever written on theology were burned, the world would be better off—confuses the subject, and talks about a man having a soul and a body.

Now, an animal has a soul, just the same as a man has a soul. If you will read the first chapter of Genesis, it makes it perfectly plain.

In the seventh verse of the second chapter of Genesis, we are told that "God formed man of the dust of the ground,"—that is the body, the house, the tabernacle, the clothes in which the spirit dwells; and back to dust the body goes—"and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."

God is the Father of the spirit, and, of course, it is immortal; He is the Maker of the soul, which is in the blood, or is the animal life; and He is the Maker of the body, which is the house in which the spirit lives, and out of which the spirit goes, and then the body is dead.

What does it mean that man is created in God's Image? We say of one chair, it is like another chair, and everybody knows what we mean by it: it is made after the same pattern; it is the same kind of wood; it is the same style; it has the same kind of carving; the same kind of upholstering; and in every detail it is like the other chair. Therefore, we say one chair resembles another, or is like another.

That is not what is meant, when we are told that man was created in God's Image. I have discussed this subject before, and all I want to do this afternoon is to set you thinking.

Man Redeemed Through Christ, The Express Image of God, is Transformed into the Same Image

What does it mean that man was created in God's Image?

It may help you a little to follow this up so far, that man sinned, and that the image which he bore to God was, to all appearances, obliterated—although it is indestructible—and that then God sent His Only Begotten Son, Who, we are told, is the express Image of God, the Effulgence of His glory; and Paul says that we, with unveiled faces, reflecting as a mirror the glory of the Lord, are changed, or transformed, into the same Image, passing from glory to glory; that is, God works the change in and through the agency of the Holy Ghost, or the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, let us remember, that in being created in the Image of God, and in the plan of redemption which God provided, that men and women either look like God their Father, they have faces that beam with Heavenly light, with purity written in every line; or they look like the devil.

Christ said to some of His opponents, "Ye are of your father the devil!"—showing that the devil has children as well as God.

You will find, in studying this subject of the Resurrection, in the 15th chapter of First Corinthians, that as we have borne the image of the earthly, so we shall also bear the image of the Heavenly.

Now then, man has an immortal spirit. Every one sitting here has an immortal spirit. The cattle have not immortal spirits; the horse has not. They have souls, and they have bodies; but they have no spirits.

**A Glorified Body, Transcending the Limitations of the Material Body,
Will be Given to the Saints**

I desire you to remember this, because I want to read a little to you about the body, we are going to have. And when my work is done, I shall be delighted to get out of this body—although it is a good one—and get into the glorified body; which will be entirely beyond the reach, and the power of any and all things, that now affect this body in which we live, that will go back to dust.

Know yourselves!

"Man, know thyself!"—an immortal spirit, a soul and a body.

A great many things could be said, right in this connection.

A spirit in thorough accord with God!

I desire to preach a sermon here, in the near future, on Wireless Telegraphy. I want to show you that there is, in the Spiritual world, something corresponding to it, and just as marvelous.

I will say this, that when a man is in tune with God, every current of Heavenly influence that is set loose, he catches. When a man is in tune with the devil, every current set loose from hell, he catches.

Separation from God, the Cause of Spiritual Death, Moral Degradation, and Physical Decay

God said to Adam and Eve, "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

Now the questions come: What is life? and What is death?

We have, going around the world, everything. The devil has innumerable organizations, and a multitude of agencies, promulgating his lies. We have the preaching that man is mortal, and that when he dies, all there is of him, and all there is to him goes into the grave, just like the body of an old horse; that if a ground hog should burrow into the grave, and get his body, and eat it up, that is all there was to him; that if he were burned with fire, and all that is left is a little handful of ashes, that is all there ever was of him—one of the most damnable doctrines that ever was taught! A doctrine that has not an iota, or a scintilla of support, in the Word of God! Their only conception of death, is cessation of consciousness. What did God say to Adam and Eve? "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." They ate of the forbidden fruit, did they not? And did they cease to be conscious that day? Did their bodies fall over on the ground, and their eyes close, and their tongues cleave to the roofs of their mouths?

No such thing!

What did happen?

They were banished from the Presence of God! And that is death. Life is union with God! "He that hath Christ hath"—what?

VOICES: "Life."

Yes, "Life."

"Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never—"

VOICES: "Die"

Life is union with God, nearness to God; death is separation from God, banishment from God's presence.

The Scriptures Declare Positively, that Conscious Life Continues After Death

Paul said, in Second Corinthians the 5th chapter—which is right along this line—"We know that, if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens," did he not? And he said, that when we are absent from the body, we are present with the Lord.

He fixes the identity there; he fixes the personality. He says, that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord, does he not? He says further: "We labor, that, whether present or absent, we may be well-pleasing unto Him."

Another time Paul said, that he was in a strait betwixt the two; whether it were better for him to depart, and be with Christ, or to remain here in the flesh.

Peter spoke of the body as a "tent," as a tabernacle. And this body is no more I, than this robe that I have on. This body is no more Wilbur Glenn Voliva, than the clothes that I wear. This body is only a house of clay. Some day the immortal spirit will take its flight; and this body will go back to dust, whence it came.

That is the teaching of the Word of God.

A Christian, you know, is longing to fly. And when a man

or woman hates to think of death, or the time of departure, it shows there is something wrong with them. I do not know that anybody ought to be sorry, for the time to come, when they are going to Heaven. But, my! they make a terrible fuss and kick about it; and they try awfully hard to stay here. I tell you, they make a desperate effort!

Why, if your work is done, and your life has been lived in the fear of God, what a glorious time when you can just fly away, and be with God!

Man by His own Choice Declares, Whether His Destiny is Heaven, or Hell

I want to tell you, the song—"Oh, Bear Me Away on Angels' Wings!" is not just poetry; it is a fact. I do not believe there ever was a man or woman who died, who did not have, flying around his or her bedside, either angels or devils. I believe that as the immortal spirit departs from the body, there is a myriad of angels there to bear that spirit away to glory; or, if men and women have served the devil, and lived lives of sin and shame, when they come to die, innumerable demons and phantom forms hover around them, to snatch their damned spirits, and to slide them down a greased plank into the bottomless pits of hell.

We can make our choice.

We do make our choice.

And if we make our bed in hell, we will have to lie on it. Do not think that by some hook or crook, or by something you can do the day before you die, you can get yourselves into glory. There are millions of people, who are counting on that thing, but they are going to find out that they are mistaken.

Man sinned, did he not? He transgressed God's law. God pronounced a curse upon the serpent; and that curse is there to this day. Everybody hates a snake. You would not like to sleep with a snake, would you?

One fellow in Australia, told me that when he was sleeping in a mill in the timber, a seven-foot black snake crawled under his shirt collar, while he was sleeping.

But you hate a snake, do you not? Everybody hates snakes. You are always ready to bruise his head, are you not?

Now then, God promised a Deliverer. Right there in pronouncing the curse, He gave His promise of the coming of Christ. And He made a prophecy which, you know as well as I, is being literally fulfilled every day:

"Thou shalt bruise the serpent's head, and he shall bruise your heel."

There is enmity and war between the Christ of God, and the devil, the arch-enemy of mankind.

Then God pronounced a curse upon the land. That is the reason we have to work so hard on the land—the curse rests upon it. The curse is everywhere. There are insects and destroyers at work everywhere. The curse is upon the land.

The Minutest Details of the Christ Life, Foretold in the Prophecies, Types, and Ceremonies of the Old Testament

God, through prophet, by type and ceremony, continued to promise a coming Deliverer, all through the Old Testament, all down the centuries; so that the very place of His birth was foretold; the very day of His death was foretold; the minutest details were foretold, even to the dividing of His garments, and the casting of lots for one of His garments.

John, the beloved Apostle, inspired by God, summed it all up, saying: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His Only Begotten Son—HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON"—there is enough there for you to think about for several weeks to come—"His Only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish ('His Only Begotten Son,' God gave Him to die), but have everlasting life."

We have the story of the Immaculate Conception of Christ; we have the story of His birth.

Zion Declares the Inspiration, and Eternal Verities of the Word of God

I thank God that I can stand up, in the prime of manhood, in the most wicked Age the world ever saw, in a time when men and women are so Godless, that they would make the Antediluvians blush for shame—I thank God that I can stand up, in the prime of manhood, and in all the strength God gives me to face the perils, that threaten to baptize the Church in a pool of blood, and declare once more, far and wide, the ETERNAL VERITIES, which our

fathers and mothers, and grandfathers and grandmothers, embraced with an holy affection; and tell of the PRECIOUS WORD OF GOD.

I am thankful to stand in the midst of this wealth-pursuing, pleasure-loving, dress-mad, Godless, filthy, licentious generation, and proclaim the INSPIRATION OF THE WORD OF GOD, from Genesis to Revelation!

I pity the man or woman, who is living without God! The man, who is living without God today, is not one whit better than a hog. The hog eats, and he drinks swill, and he sleeps, and he grunts; and that is all a man does who is living without God. He eats, he swills beer and whisky, he sleeps, and he grunts, and he dies like a hog, and he goes to hell *unlike* a hog.

The life of Jesus the Christ is told in brief, and it is summed up very beautifully, by Fanny Crosby, in the three stanzas:

Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.
Tell how the angels in chorus
Sang, as they welcomed His birth,
"Glory to God in the highest,
Peace and good tidings to earth!"

Fasting alone in the desert,
Tell of the days that He passed;
How, for our sins, He was tempted,
Yet was triumphant at last.
Tell of the years of His labor,
Tell of the sorrows He bore;
He was despised and afflicted,
Homeless, rejected and poor.

Tell of the cross where they nailed Him,
Writhing in anguish and pain;
Tell of the grave where they laid Him;
Tell how He liveth again.
Love, in that story so tender,
Sweeter than ever I see;
Stay, let me weep while you whisper,
"Love paid the ransom for Thee."

The Life of Christ Offered Upon Calvary, at the Time the Passover Lamb was Sacrificed

His life, His words, His works, we have in the first four books of the New Testament. His death was foretold; He spoke of it Himself. And every year the sacrifice of the Passover lamb prophesied the sacrifice of the Lamb of God. And the day upon which the Passover lamb was offered, was the day upon which the Lamb of God was offered; and as it was being offered, He was being nailed to the cross.

Now then, Christ was put into the tomb; that tomb was sealed. And then His enemies went to the authorities, and they said, "We remember that while that Imposter was alive, He said that the third day He would arise again. Let us have a guard there, lest His disciples come and steal Him and then circulate the story that He has been raised from the dead; and the last will be worse than the first."

So they sealed the tomb; they rolled a great stone to its mouth; and they put a strong guard around it.

What could be more ludicrous!—what could be more laughable, than for men to think that they could place a guard strong enough to bar out the beings, who can go through windows, and through doors, and through a roof—beings, with bodies that no material objects are any bars to!

Now notice!

There was not an Apostle who did not forsake Him; only that we can say, that John and Peter did go into the Judgment Hall. John went in first. Peter was outside, and he was cold; and John went in, and asked permission to get Peter in by the fire. It was there that Peter denied Jesus. Oh what cowards people are!

Did you ever come across such people—I have; I have heard of a number, who when they go away, register from WAUKEGAN instead of ZION CITY.

None of the Apostles, or Followers of the Christ, Expected His Resurrection

There was not an Apostle, who believed in His resurrection. I say that kindly, because they were only human beings; and when the Saviour was crucified, and when He was put into the dark tomb, the humanity arose, and all hope was gone, all faith was gone, and the last ray of light was put out.

The women did not believe in His resurrection. We say they were last at the grave, and first at the tomb; but did not they prepare the spices? What did they want with those spices, if they believed in His resurrection? They showed by their acts—just like many people today, that they had no faith.

This is illustrated by the time there was a terrible drought in a certain district, and they were about to have a terrible famine. They called a day of prayer, and when they assembled, in walked one man, carrying a big umbrella; and they all started to smile. One fellow said, "What did you bring that umbrella here for?" He said, "I do not want to get soaked to the skin going home; we met here to pray for rain, and I have come prepared for it."

And they laughed!

That is it exactly! Come together to pray for rain, and then make fun of the man who brings an umbrella and a raincoat, so he won't get wet!

Well, they were overcome, and they did not believe in the resurrection. I want you to notice this.

Faith and Hope, in Christ's Cause, had Departed with His Death

There was not an Apostle, there was not a disciple, who ever expected to see Him alive again! That is an historical fact, is it not? There was not one of them who ever expected to see Him alive again! They were downcast and disheartened, and they were dejected; they had lost faith and hope, and everything was gone.

Then the smart (?) people around, with a superior air, said, "We told you so! We told you so! Yes, we told you so! We told you you were following an imposter! We told you it would all come to naught! We told you so! Oh, I am so happy to think I am one of those who can tell you, 'We told you so!'"

My, what a smart lot those "We-told-you-so-people" are! They are the biggest lot of fools that ever escaped the inside ward of a lunatic asylum!

Oh, my! how smart they are!

"We told you so!"

The only way to handle these foolish people, is to give them a whack with the Sword of the Spirit, until you will have to sweep them up with a broom and dustpan!

Men may fail; organizations may die; but the Word of God goes on forever!

Now, there was the condition.

The women went to the tomb. You have heard the story; it is a wonderful story—the appearance of the angels (and they were in white apparel), the words the angels spoke, and how the women met Jesus.

Now notice!

There came a time when these Apostles, and these disciples, and these women suddenly changed, and they were set on fire with an Heavenly zeal; and they went out preaching the Gospel everywhere! They lost property; they suffered persecution and went to death!

Only the Resurrection of the Christ, Could Transform the Sad Disciples, Into Conquering Witnesses

That is one of the strongest proofs that Christ DID rise from the dead; because nothing short of the Resurrection could have transformed a lot of sad, dejected, disconsolate, downhearted men and women, into a company of faithful, hopeful, brave men and women, who went forward proclaiming the Word of God, and conquering everywhere.

Nobody can answer that!

A myth, an imposter, a lie—they do not transform men and women, into that kind of an assembly.

Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection, and the Life!"

I heard a man say once,—he was six feet, two inches, tall; he was an extreme literal Resurrectionist—that his body that went into the grave, was going to come up; and, as he said, "In the morn of the Resurrection, I expect to come up out of my grave standing just six feet, two inches, tall."

There is an illustration, given by Paul, of a grain of corn—putting a grain of corn into the ground: it dies, rots, decays; but there is in that grain of corn a germ, and a stalk comes up—a full grown stalk, a new ear. Now, we say that that stalk of corn, and that ear of corn, came out of that grain of corn, which you took out of your corn-crib.

That is true!

The Glorified Body of the Saints, to Come Down From Heaven

And there is a sense in which the glorified body comes out of this body; but who knows how?

We long to be clothed upon with our house which is from—where?

VOICES: "From Heaven."

And God will give our spirits a glorified body, just like Christ's body.

Christ, on two occasions, entered a room where all the doors and windows were shut. Christ had a glorified body. You say, "How can it be possible that a body can go through a door?" Why, if God so ordained it, that would not make any difference, would it?

Not a particle!

And the saints who shall come with Christ to reign, they will have glorified bodies; they will have spiritual bodies; and they will meet and mingle with men and women on this earth, who are still men and women, just like you and I are now.

The Rule of Christ, to Extend from His Throne in Jerusalem, to All Nations

Christ is coming back with His saints, and from the throne in Jerusalem, He is going to rule over this earth. He will send out rulers to New York and Chicago—what is left of them, and to all the cities of the world. Then the rule of Christ will be universal, and they will have to do what Christ, and His agents say.

Of course, we do not like to lose our loved ones; but, at the same time, if father has lived—and we know it—a true, earnest Christian life, and we see his form there in the coffin, it is true we hate to part, it is sad, but you can say, "He is not here; that is the house in which father use to live."

And that is all! And that will go back to the dust. And when you think of father being in Heaven, with God and the angels and all the saints who have gone before, it is not so awfully sad, after all, is it?

It is only a little while until, if you will do what you ought to do, you will go and join him. You cannot bring him back, but you can go where he is.

How beautiful the Christian life is!

As I look at this congregation this afternoon, allow my eyes to sweep over this sea of faces, what can I do to get you saved?

The Great Commission, Given by the Risen Christ, to Go out into All the World

I was reading a story today, of an old man, who had preached twenty-five years in India. He was feeble, he could scarcely stand up any longer, and he returned to Europe. He arose in a meeting, in London I think it was,—it might have been one of the cities of Scotland, I do not just recall—and he delivered an address. He was pleading for young people to go to India, to preach the Gospel; and, as he reached the height of his pleading, he fainted and fell on the platform. They carried him out. After a time he rallied, and as he came to, he said, "I was pleading for young people to give their lives to God, and to preach the Gospel in India." He said, "Is there anyone in there to finish that subject?"

They said, "No one."

He said, "Carry me back, and I will finish it."

They said, "You will die if you do."

They carried him back, and he finished his plea. There was no response at first, and he said, "If there are no young men to give their hearts to God and to go to India to preach the Gospel, I will go back myself, and drop dead at their feet! If I cannot live to preach the Gospel to them, I will preach the Gospel dying before them!"

What can I do this afternoon for you?

What can I do for you?

You are, so to speak the architect of your own destiny. Are some of you deceiving yourselves? Are some of you fooling yourselves into believing that you are Christians, and that you would go to Heaven tonight, if the summons came?

I am not afraid to say, with all humility, what I am, I am by the grace of God, and I have no doubt, in my own mind and heart, if my spirit took its flight tonight, as to where I would go.

Have you any doubt as to where you would go?

Every True Christian, Ready to Obey God's Call, at Any and Every Sacrifice

Can you say you have laid yourself on the altar?

That means that whatever call comes, you obey it; it means that wife, son, daughter, no one can stand between you and God. Have you put your all upon God's altar?

Are you ready to go into His service, whenever He calls?

I fear not. Some are; many are not.

I am not my own. I am bought with a price—the precious blood of Christ. I belong to Jesus, I am not my own. I am God's; He can do with me what He likes. Is that your spirit this afternoon?

"Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy Name? and in Thy Name done many wonderful works?"—Matthew 7:22.

"I never knew you; depart from Me!"

I want to say, on this Easter Lord's Day, to every Officer and member of this Church, the one place where you all need to get, is down upon your knees before your God, and examine your lives, in the light of God's Word, and ask Him to show you, wherein your consecration is not complete.

A year from today, some, who are sitting here this afternoon, will not sit here. I know that, just as well as I know anything in this world. Long before another Easter Lord's Day dawns, some, who are sitting here, will be ushered into the presence of God, to give an account for the things done while here in the body.

Nothing Excels the Indescribable Joy and Peace, of the Christian Life

Oh, the Christian life is indescribable! The joy of it is unspeakable, and full of glory! The peace of the Christian passes all understanding.

"It doth not yet appear what we shall be"—that is a wonderful saying. We know what we are now.

I warn you, do not try to fool God. You may fool yourself; you may fool your friends; but I want to tell you, in the time when you feel the awful throes of the separation of spirit and body, your life will stand before you; and, if you have been a hypocrite, a million phantom forms will mock you, and point their fingers at you, and call you a "whited sepulchre."

Live for God—then all will be well. Death is not an eternal sleep.

If death be an eternal sleep,
Why doth the buried grain
Send forth new harvests, for men to reap,
And whiten the spreading plain?

If death be an eternal sleep,
When will justice come,
To those who toll for others meat,
And they receive but scanty crumbs?

If death be an eternal sleep,
Why did the angels go
The poor man to carry to Abraham's seat,
While the rich man was left in woe?

If death be an eternal sleep,
Why was man e'er born?
And why should his vigils keep,
If there be no coming morn?

The love of God for man!

What an ungrateful lot we are!

Brothers and sisters, if you want a clean spirit, Christ shed His blood that you might be cleansed.

I committed a poem twenty-five years ago; I can recall it all this afternoon but one line. I have been asking God to give me that line back. It is an old hymn. Perhaps some of you have it here.

Oh, for that love, let rocks and hills
Their lasting silence break.
And all harmonious human tongues
Their Saviour's praises speak!

Yes, we will praise Thee, Dearest Lord,
Our hearts are all aflame,
"Hosannas" round the spacious earth,
To thy adored Name!

The Indwelling Holy Spirit Enables the Believer to Daily Grow in Grace

The Love of God! And when you get the love of God in your hearts, then you will be new creatures in the Christ. The Christian life is a life of growth; and, as I have often told you, the work of God begins in the spirit, and goes to the soul, and the body.

Oh, what a lovely thing it is to get to that place where you know that God lives in you; that the Holy Spirit dwells in you, and that you are growing every day! "It doth not yet appear what we shall be."

I wonder if ever a song was sung,
But the singer's heart sang sweeter?
I wonder if ever a rhyme was rung,
But the thoughts surpassed the meter?

I wonder if ever a sculptor wrought,
Till the cold stone echoed his ardent thought?
Or if ever a painter with light and shade,
The dream of his utmost spirit portrayed?

I wonder if ever a rose was found,
And we dreamed not of a fairer;
I wonder if ever a glittering gem was ground,
And there might not be a rarer.

Ah, never on earth do we find the best,
But it waits for us in the land of rest;
And a perfect thing we shall never behold,
Till we cross the portals of shining gold.

Now then, we can be better tomorrow, than we are today. We can grow in grace all the time, and daily you can see Heaven's light shining more and more in your face.

ZION, I believe in God the Father; in Jesus the Christ His Only and Well Beloved Son; and in the Holy Spirit. I believe in the inspiration of the Word of God, and I am going to preach it in spite of men and devils! I believe in the resurrection of Jesus the Christ. I believe in all the words, from the beginning to the end, of the Bible; and I have only a sword for the man or woman, who will strike a blow at the Word of God.

Now is a good day for you to take your stand. Now is a good time for you to fill in your Application Form. If you have never been a member of ZION, get an Application Form and fill it in, and come and take your stand.

If you want to join card-players, theater-goers, wine-bibbers, tango-dancers, liars, and thieves, and scoundrels, go to the Methodists. Don't come here. Go to the Presbyterians; go the Baptists. If you want to join with a people who are standing for old truths, for purity, and holiness, and righteousness in every walk of life, here is your place. If you do not, this is not the place for you.

The Saints of God Must be Gathered into Zion

ZION is the gathering of the saints. ZION is the preparation of the Bride!

Some little "two-by-four" says, "What does he want to talk about ZION so much for?" Well, you are an ignoramus!

That is your trouble.

Why, bless your life! a good part of this whole Bible is about ZION, don't you know that? All you know is a little Methodist Episcopal Church, with a little, old Epworth League, and oyster supper, and pork-and-bean supper. That is all you know. Or a little Endeavor Society—little "courtin' society!"

ZION!

"When the Lord shall build up ZION, He shall appear in His glory."—Psalms 102:16.

"Ye are come unto Mount ZION."—Hebrews 12:22.

And it will be to ZION, that the King will come. He will not come to a lot of dirty drinkers and stinkers; He will not come to a lot of filthy chewers and spewers; He will not come to a lot of old card-players and dancers, and liars, and thieves, and oyster-supper-getters, and pork-and-bean promoters; He will not come to an old harlot, who is trotting around with the world, the flesh and the devil.

He will come to a Church "without spot or wrinkle"—a church separated from the world, the flesh and the devil.

The Wide-spread Apostasy is Preparing the People for Hell

And if you are not in that Church, you will go to hell with the rest of the bunch. Like an editor down South, who said, "I am in favor of saloons." He said, "Come, men, let us vote

for the saloon. All the women in the town are tango-dancers, and they are indulging in all kinds of hellish things; let us have saloons, and then all go to hell in a bunch."

He is quite right. That is where the bunch are going—the rank and file are going to hell! But, dear me! there is an old whisky-soak who dies, and he is put into a coffin and carried into a church, and some little parson gets up and preaches a funeral sermon over him, and he shoots him on a streak of lightning—so he thinks—up into an upper-ten Heaven.

I heard a man preach a funeral sermon once, of a fellow—he was a good church member, drunk every time he got a chance; as mean as the devil to his wife and children; and he was drowned. And they had a great funeral service! The parson pictured him as an angel sprouting wings. You know how they do it; you have heard them, have not you? Well, that does not go with God.

No, sir!

"Oh," you say, "the Christian life is a hard life to live." No, it is not! The Christian life is the easiest kind of a life to live. The hardest thing, in this world, to do is to sin. Why, I am in Heaven this afternoon, and if I were to go out and take a drink of whisky, or smoke a cigarette, I would be in hell. The easiest thing in the world is to be a Christian; the hardest thing is to be a sinner.

Have you ever seen a poor wretch, pulling his hair out by the handfuls, writhing in torment, going through the most terrible contortions of the flesh, seeing snakes, and frogs, and all kinds of hob-goblins, and screaming and yelling? You call that an easy thing for a man to go through? I tell you, when they get a man down, and they come up, a million of them, and they say, "Listen!" and they make him listen, that man is going through hell!

If you are sitting here this afternoon, and you have lived a clean life, a truthful life, an honest life; and every thought, word and deed has been for God's honor and glory, you are happy this afternoon. But if you have been a liar, a thief, and an adulterer, and a dirty dog, and a scoundrel, you are in hell this afternoon; and you will be in hell tonight.

The Christian Life, the Only Life Worth Living

It is an easy thing to live the Christian life. It is a hard thing to live a sinful life.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

"He that hath Christ hath life."

That is the plain teaching of the Word of God.

What a glorious thing, when the Lord comes He will bring all the saints with Him, who have gone before! And all the saints who are here, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, will have this old body of clay transformed into a glorified body, and they will all be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. Then for three years and one-half the tribulation period will be upon the earth.

Can you not see that they are getting ready for it?

The wars, and rumors of wars, the high cost of living, the struggle, the strife, the strikes, the turmoil—all are only ushering in the day of tribulation; when every man's hand shall be against every man, and when the dead shall lie from one end of the earth to the other. And they shall decree a seven months period to bury them; and as men travel to and fro, and find a corpse, they are to set a stick in the ground, so that when the grave-diggers come along, they will know there is a corpse there. (See Ezekiel 39th chapter.)

I do not propose to go through that period. It is the privilege of the saints to escape it.

"Wise Virgins!"

In closing, ZION, preach the Gospel!

Preach the Gospel!

Send the workers out!

The time is short. Warn the people; call them to repentance; command them to surrender to God.

Now, after the benediction is pronounced, if there are any here, who want to surrender to God, come forward, and take your Application Form, and fill it in, and give your hearts to God. Take a decided stand today.

May God bless you is my earnest prayer!

While the congregation remained in silent prayer, the choir sang in RECESSIONAL—"ABIDE WITH ME."

The General Overseer then pronounced the benediction.

"In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive"

By Apostle Wm. S. Peckham

"IF A MAN DIE SHALL HE LIVE AGAIN?"

Ever since the fall of man, through the sin of disobedience, and the consequent entrance of death into the world, this question has been uppermost in the thoughts of humanity.

Does death end all? This question has never been satisfactorily answered outside the Word of God.

RESURRECTION IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

During the four thousand years, covered by Old Testament history, there is not an instance of the resurrection of one who had been buried, and laid in the grave for any length of time.

There are three instances recorded of the raising of the dead—the Widow of Zarephath's son; the Shunammite's son; and the man who revived when his body touched the bones of Elisha—but these were not resurrections of those dead and buried; they were all instances of restored life.

Also there were instances of translation, which were not resurrections: but which involved the principle of the resurrection—the changing of the natural body into the spiritual body.

It is to the New Testament that we must look for the first instance of the resurrection of one from the grave; this we have in the case of Lazarus, who had laid four days in the grave; and of whom Martha said, "Lord by this time he stinketh."

Lazarus was resurrected, and made to live by the power of Him who said: "I am the resurrection and the life."

Christ arose triumphant over death and the grave, and of Him it is truly said:

"But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, Who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel."—II Timothy 1:10.

"Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, Who is even at the right hand of God, Who also maketh intercession for us."—Romans 8:34.

CHRIST'S RESURRECTION A MANIFESTATION OF DIVINE LIFE AND POWER

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."—John 2:19.

"Therefore doth My Father love Me, because I lay down My life, that I might take it again.

"No man taketh it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of My Father."—John 10:17, 18.

"And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by His own power."—I Corinthians 6:14.

That which was foreshadowed, in many places through the Old Testament, became a reality through Christ Jesus.

"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept."—I Corinthians 15:20.

THE GENERAL RESURRECTION A GREAT FUTURE EVENT

Christ rose as the firstfruits of a glorious, and general resurrection of the dead.

The Resurrection is still a great future event to take place at the return of the Lord.

"Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already;"—II Timothy 2:18.

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

"Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

"Wherefore comfort one another with these words."—I Thessalonians 4:14-18.

THE MIGHTY PROPHETS OF ISRAEL SAW THE RESURRECTION

The resurrection was the hope of Israel.

Abraham—the faithful—accounted that Isaac though dead would be resurrected by God:

"By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac; and he that had received the promises, offered up his only begotten son,

"Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:

"Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure."—Hebrews 11:17-19.

Job—the righteous—believed that though his body were destroyed by worms yet in his flesh he would stand upon the earth again:

"For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

"And though, after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

"Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me."—Job 19:25, 26.

David—the man after God's own heart—rejoiced in heart, and rested in the hope of the resurrection of the body:

"Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

"For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

"Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."—Psalm 16:9, 10.

Isaiah—the prophet of God—states positively that dead bodies shall rise:

"Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead."—Isaiah 26:19.

The heroes of faith who were not raised from the dead, while here on earth, will have part in a better resurrection:

"Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection."—Hebrews 11:35.

THE GREAT THEME OF THE APOSTLES

The apostles preached Christ and His resurrection.

The resurrection pertains only to the body. The body sleeps in the dust; but the spirit lives with God—the spirit never dies.

The body will be raised a spiritual body; but the spirit will

return from God, and body and spirit will be reunited—this is the resurrection.

"That I might know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death;

"If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

"Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself."—Philippians 3:10, 11, 21.

Thank God Paul's Savior is our Savior too! He reigns above and shall yet put all enemies under His feet, and the last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Thank God the dead in Christ shall rise and gather around the throne of God.

When the blest who sleep in Jesus,
At His bidding shall arise,
From the silence of the grave,
And from the sea,
And with bodies all celestial
They shall meet Him in the skies
What a gathering and rejoicing
There will be.

THE MYSTERY OF THE INCORRUPTIBLE BODY

"Behold, I shew you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

"In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: For the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

"For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

"So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

"The sting of death is sin: and the strength of sin is the law.

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."—I Corinthians 15:51-57.

Because He arose we also shall rise.

Because He lives we also shall live.

Christ rose from the dead, flesh and bones, so also shall we rise. His body could be touched; and doubting Thomas believed as he thrust his hand into His side.

The resurrection of the body has been lost sight of, and has only been held as a theory. Very few indeed believe in the resurrection of the body, as taught in God's Word.

Multiplied thousands repeat the Apostle's Creed, and profess to believe in the resurrection—"I believe in the resurrection of the body"—and then live as though there were no resurrection.

The heathen have no conception of the resurrection of the body.

This is the Gospel: let us believe it.

"For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:

"And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain."—I Corinthians 15:16, 17.

Both the wicked and the righteous shall have part in the resurrection.

The dead in Christ shall rise first.

"Blessed and holy is he who hath part in the first resurrection."—Revelation 20:6.

DEATH THE GREAT REAPER—CHRIST THE GREAT CONQUEROR

We shudder when we think of those who are dying in the trenches, and on the battle fields of Europe.

But a greater number are dying every day than fall in fratricidal war. A vast army of men, women and children answer the dread summons of death every day, and await the judgment at the resurrection time.

"The soul that sinneth it shall die."—Ezekiel 18:4.

The sting of death is sin.

"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"—I Corinthians 15:55.

Death is conquered! Jesus rose and lives above!

To the infidel death means a leap out into the dark.

To the believer death means the dawning of the glorious resurrection morning.

Christ lives and because He lives we shall live also.

In Him we live and move and have our being, here and beyond the grave.

"And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in the Son.

"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."—I John 5:11, 12.

"Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

"Martha saith unto Him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

"Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

"And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this?"—John 11:23-26.

THE RESURRECTION THE INFALLIBLE PROOF OF THE BIBLE

Upon the truth of the resurrection rests the authenticity of the Scriptures: yea, and the divinity of the Son of God is proven thereby.

Without the resurrection, Christianity is little more than any of the ten great religions of the world.

But the resurrection is abundantly proven by His many appearances after He had arisen from the dead and before He ascended to the Father.

And after His ascension, He appeared to others:

To the question of Saul of Tarsus, "Who art Thou, Lord?" Jesus replied, "I am Jesus Whom thou persecutest."

To John the Revelator, He said:

"I am He that *liveth*, and was *dead*; and, behold, I am alive for evermore; and have the keys of hell and death."—Revelation 1:18.

At God's right hand He pleads for us.

"Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto Him, seeing He ever *liveth* to make intercession for them."—Hebrews 7:25.

Let us not fear death; for before the resurrection death must continue; and not until Jesus comes shall death be destroyed.

"Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?"—Acts 26:8.

God formed man's body out of the dust of the ground, and He is great enough to bring it again, or to bring out of it a new body—spiritual, celestial, incorruptible—a glorious body like unto our risen Lord's.

THE NATURAL LAW IN THE SPIRITUAL WORLD

Both in the natural world and in the spiritual world life follows death; and out of the old comes the new.

"But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

"Thou fool! that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:

"And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain:

"But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased Him, and to every seed his own body.

"All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.

"There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

"There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.

"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:

"It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

"It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

"And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

"Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

"The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

"As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy; and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

"And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly."—I Corinthians 15:35-49.

THE GREATEST EVENT OF THE LAST DAYS

The resurrection of Jesus the Christ is the greatest event of the past: and the greatest event of the future will be the resurrection of all the dead at His appearing.

Thank God there is no fact, in the history of this world, better authenticated than the truth of Christ's resurrection.

The resurrection of Jesus the Christ confirmed the Scriptures and established our faith.

To reject the resurrection is to reject the Scriptures and the words of Jesus.

"For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead."—John 20:19.

"When therefore He was risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that he had said this unto them: and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said."—John 2:19-22.

How important is the body!

It is the temple of the Holy Ghost; and God's temple cannot be annihilated.

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."—John 2:19.

The Apostle Paul answered the accusations of Tertullus and the Jews, by affirming the truth of the resurrection:

"But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and the prophets;

"And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust."—Acts 24:14, 15.

Jesus comforted His sorrowing disciples with these words:

"I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

"Yet a little while, and the world seeth Me no more; but ye see Me:

"BECAUSE I LIVE, YE SHALL LIVE ALSO."—John 14:18, 19.

Hallelujah, He is risen!
Jesus is gone up on high!
Burst the bars of death asunder,
Angels shout and men reply:
He is risen, He is risen,
Living now, no more to die.

Hallelujah, He is risen!
Our exalted Head to be;
Sends the witness of the Spirit
That our advocate is He:
He is risen, He is risen,
Justified in Him are we.

Hallelujah, He is risen!
Death for aye hath lost his sting,
Christ, Himself the Resurrection.
From the grave His own will bring:
He is risen, He is risen,
Living Lord and coming King.

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"Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

THEREFORE, WE SAY to all who truly love the Lord, as Paul said, "Comfort one another with these words."

Surely this is a great comfort to God's children.

Death, to us, should the Lord tarry, will only be as a little child going to sleep.

When Lazarus died, Jesus said to His disciples, "Lazarus sleepeth," but afterwards He said, "Lazarus is dead," so that His disciples might understand just what had taken place.

THANK GOD, this earthly life is not all!

But if we are to realize the blessedness of the Resurrection—if we are to know the joy of being caught up with the Lord, we must know the resurrection power of Jesus Christ.

The Holy Spirit must be in our lives.

There are many today who are like those "dry bones" spoken of in the vision of Ezekiel. Upon those bones, it will be remembered, there came sinews, flesh, and skin, but there was no breath in them!

HOW MANY professed Christians there are today whose condition is no better!

There is no Spirit of God in them!

THERE IS NO LIFE!

But Ezekiel, in his vision, hears God say to him:

"Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

"So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army."

LET ZION AWAKE!

May the breath of the Lord come upon all of the sons and daughters of ZION; and so shall they live and become a power in the earth!

THANK GOD for the time when the nations shall turn to God and to ZION—when they shall put away from their lives those things which are today cursing them every hour, and at every step: when the Spirit of God shall breathe upon them; and, under His influence, they shall stand up throughout the earth—an exceeding great army, in the cause of righteousness and truth!

TO THIS END let ZION press forward at this time in resurrection power!

Let her put on her beautiful garments, and be ready for the King when He comes!

Then those who are ready for Him will be caught up with Him in the air; and will, later on, return with Him and the rest of God's saints to rule this earth.

EASTER REFLECTIONS

By Elder O. L. Tindall

EASTER is the day set apart to commemorate the Resurrection of Jesus the Christ; a memorial day of the greatest event of all history.

It may not be exactly proper to compare it with the creation of man, or of the Heavens, or of the earth; or with the birth and death of the Christ; but these all would have been vain, had there been no resurrection.

THE RESURRECTION, THE HOPE OF EVERY BELIEVER IN THE CHRIST

This life, without the resurrection to look forward to, would be a failure to every saint. If a follower of the Christ had no hope of the resurrection, it would be better for that man never to have been born. Paul said, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable:" in other words, if there be no resurrection of the dead, then we are of all creatures most miserable.

He could see no reward for him on this side of the resurrection. His life was one of sufferings, persecutions, trials, pains, famines, shipwrecks, stonings, imprisonments and deaths. The thing that buoyed him up and made him endure, even glory in his tribulations, was the hope he had in the resurrection. Thus life did not solve the questions of his life and labors.

The infidel, who does not believe the teaching of the Word of God on the resurrection, asks for proof. Some deny it altogether, and laugh at it as a superstition, and an absurdity. Paul called such men fools. He contended that the belief in the resurrection from the dead, was more reasonable than to deny it. It was the fool, and not the sensible, or reasonable man, who did not believe in the resurrection.

We see the resurrection of the grain, the corn, and all the vegetables every spring. The Christ says:—"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."—John 12:24. This is the order of all nature; first must come death, and then follows the more abundant life. A single grain, or seed, falls into the ground, and it springs up, and brings forth a hundred fold. It may be a tiny seed that falls into the ground, and it comes forth, in its resurrection, a beautiful fragrant flower.

Shall not a man be equal to a grain of wheat? Is there only one life for him and that a poor and sad one?

The most sensible and reasonable thing on earth, among men, is the belief in the resurrection from the dead. Neither is it more mysterious than that a single grain of corn should bring forth the great green stalk, and a hundred more kernels equal to itself. Mysteries are all about us. We believe them without a question; and then deny the one great and crowning mystery of all.

But, some say, "You cannot explain the Resurrection: tell us how do the dead come forth and with what body, etc?" It is easy to ask questions, that no one can answer. Let the unbeliever and the scoffer, explain vegetable and animal life.

THE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS OF THE RESURRECTION

The resurrection of the dead, and the life everlasting are necessary to adjust and equalize things.

The wicked men of this world have too good a time, and often flourish like the green bay tree, as the Psalmist says. No pangs in their life! They fare sumptuously every day, and have their mansions and stone fronts on the avenues and boulevards. They often scoff and jeer at the poor pilgrim on the thorny way, and in his humble abode. This is an every day affair.

The Christ illustrated this state of affairs in His parable, or statement concerning the rich man and Lazarus. Death and the big funeral of the gentleman of wealth, did not end all: the full account was not settled; it went over to the next world.

Abraham explained that question, on the other side, where many hard questions must be settled and solved. He said to the rich man, "Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented."—Luke 16:25.

Much of the reward of good and righteous men is promised in the next world. The books are not yet closed.

The scoffers in the prophet's days said, "It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept His ordinances, and that we have walked mournfully before the Lord of Hosts?"—Malachi 3:14.

There is no full answer to this, except in the resurrection; when the righteous shall receive their full reward, and the wicked shall receive their recompense of reward; as the Word of God everywhere declares.

The resurrection of the dead and the life beyond are necessary, in order to adjust and equalize the things of this life. The resurrection of the dead is a universal belief. It is intuitive to the mind of men. All nations and tribes have believed in the future life in some form or another. They may have had very crude notions about the life beyond, but the conviction was there.

The poor and ignorant Indian, who has never seen a Bible, or never heard of the Gospel of Jesus the Christ, and the resurrection, buries his tomahawk, and bow, and kills his faithful pony that he may have them on the beautiful hunting grounds in the next world. It takes an educated (?) fool from these modern universities to deny these axiomatic truths.

Joseph Cook said in his lecture on "Transcendentalism", "Religion based on axiomatic, moral truths would stand on revelation, thus defined, even if inspiration were given up as a dream."

The religion of Jesus, as set forth in the Gospel, is the most reasonable thing on earth among men. Infidels and atheists are the fools, and not the humble child of God, who believes the revealed Will and Word of God.

The Christian does not need these arguments: he does not depend on logic for his convictions; he has the evidence within himself; he knows somewhat the power and nature and blessedness, of the resurrection in this life; for, he has already passed from death unto life, and he knows the power of an endless life.

All that the children of God, the heirs of the heavenly inheritance want to know, and are anxious and desirous to look into, and to find out, is, what has been revealed regarding the Resurrection. They want to look behind the veil, and see, and know more of that beautiful land on high.

WONDERFUL BLESSINGS IN STORE FOR THE RIGHTEOUS

We know only in part. Language is lame, when we try to explain it. It is beyond our full comprehension. "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them who love Him." "But," adds the Apostle, "God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit."—I Corinthians 2:9, 10.

The man who has the Spirit of God knows much of the life to come, even while in this life. But the natural man is blind, and deaf to all spiritual things. He sees only with the natural eye, and hears with the natural ear, and understands only with the natural heart, or mind. He has only man's wisdom, which is foolishness with God. That is why the so-called educated men, and learned (?) professors make such foolish statements, and such absurd remarks about religion and spiritual things: and are absolutely ignorant of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and its mysteries. It is not revealed unto them, but unto babes and sucklings; that is, unto men of humble hearts, and teachable and obedient spirits.

Nicodemus is an example of a learned teacher and leader, who asked the Christ the question, "How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?"—John 3:4. That is all these would-be wise men and teachers know of the new birth. What a shame to have such ignoramuses, teaching the children and youth of our land! The knowledge of this great truth should lie at the very foundation of all learning.

Jesus threw back the curtain somewhat and let us have a glimpse of the better life beyond the grave. He told Mary and Martha that their brother would rise again: He told them that He was the resurrection; that He had the power of life within Himself: He demonstrated it before their own eyes, and the eyes of a multitude of people, even before the eyes of His enemies. All life was in His hands. He had only to speak the word, and the dead came forth.

He laid down His own life and took it up again.

He defied death; He broke its chains; the grave could not hold Him; He burst its bands.

He led captivity captive; and set the prisoners free from death, the grave, and hell itself.

He descended into hell and preached to the spirits in prison; even to men who were disobedient in Noah's day and time.

He is to set all captives free and conquer every foe, and put every enemy under His feet, the last enemy to be put under His feet is the monster Death.

ALL BELIEVERS TO PARTAKE OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION.

Through His life and resurrection, all believers will have part in a glorious resurrection. Such men never die, they never see death, said Jesus; they only see life. When they come to, what the world calls, the dark river, they only see the other shore and the beautiful fields, the green pastures and the still waters, and the blooming flowers.

Life, life, abundant life everywhere. They even get a glimpse of the bright mansions, which He has gone to prepare for His faithful ones. They see the shining golden streets of the new Jerusalem, and the pearly gates; the city and land where there are no tears, no sorrows, no crying, no sickness, and no death.

These are only some of the images, and figures, and feeble illustrations of the land over there; of the inheritance of those who shall have a part in the glorious resurrection.

Language has been quite exhausted to portray the good and glorious things, that the resurrection has purchased for the righteous. It will have to be experienced before we can understand it. The best attempt to explain it that has ever been written, was given by the inspired pen of the great Apostle Paul, in his first Epistle to the Corinthians and the 15th chapter.

Mark the striking and wonderful contrast between the frail body sown, and the glorious body raised. "Sown in weakness; and raised in power: sown in corruption; and raised in incorruption: sown in dishonor; raised in glory: sown a natural body; raised a spiritual body. Is not this a prize worth striving for?"

Would that all men might see it as did the beloved Paul. Listen to what he said, as he neared the close of his eventful and glorious career, in his Epistle to the Philippians, chapter 3:8-11.

"Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for Whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but refuse, that I may win Christ,

"And be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

"That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death;

"If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead."—

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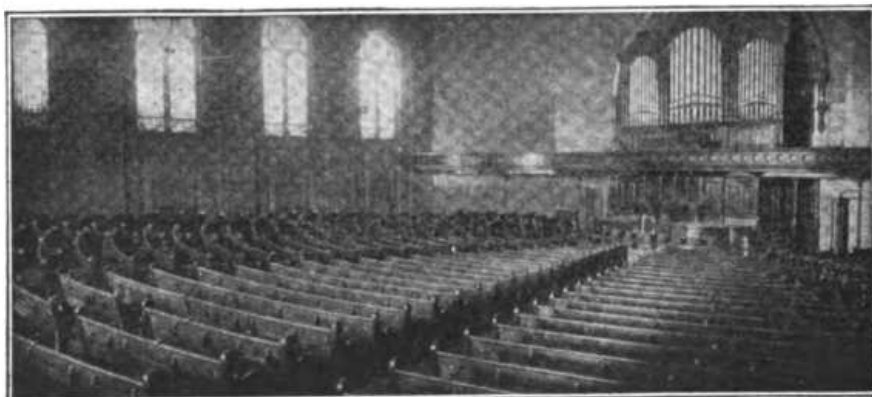
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RESTORATION WORK

AUSTRALIA

Following is the report of Restoration Work done in the City of Camberwell, Victoria:

Elder James A. Smith

Month of February 1916.

Calls made (special)..... 8

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 100

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 30

Messages given..... 2160

Special Announcements given..... 50

Invitations given..... 330

Total pieces distributed..... 2670

CHINA

Following is the report of Restoration Work sent in by Apostle Francis M. Royall, Shanghai, China, for the month of February 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 529

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 23

"Theocrats" given..... 187

English Messages given..... 325

I-Yeh-Pao, Chinese "Leaves," sold..... 1024

Total pieces distributed..... 2088

Reports of Literature sold and distributed in Shanghai, China.

August 1915

English "Leaves of Healing" sold..... 191

English "Leaves of Healing" given..... 66

Messages given..... 230

Chinese "Leaves of Healing" sold..... 580

Total..... 1067

Duplicate report for September 1915

English "Leaves of Healing" sold..... 209

English "Leaves of Healing" given..... 88

English Messages given..... 6120

Chinese "Leaves of Healing" sold..... 350

Total..... 6767

Duplicate report for November 1915

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 268

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 86

I-Yeh Pao, Chinese "Leaves of Healing"

sold..... 862

Cantonese Messages..... 800

Messages given..... 8606

Total..... 10622

ILLINOIS

Evangelist Guy K. Neal sends in the following reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago:

Mrs. Hinkston and Mrs. Peetz

Two weeks ending March 25, 1916.

Calls made (special)..... 2

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 126

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 1

"Theocrats" given..... 11

Messages given..... 1065

Total pieces distributed..... 1203

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

Week ending March 26, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 66

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 10

"Leaves of Healing" mailed..... 5

"Theocrats" given..... 20

Messages given..... 800

Total pieces distributed..... 901

IOWA and NEBRASKA

Following is the report of Restoration Work done in Omaha, Nebraska, and in Council Bluffs, Iowa, during 9 days, ending December 20, 1915.

Mrs. Geo. W. Smale

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 611

"Theocrats" given..... 4

Messages given..... 3174

Total pieces distributed..... 3789

Ten weeks Subscription for

"Leaves of Healing" given free... 3

MINNESOTA

Following is the report of Restoration Work done in the City of St. Paul, by Mrs. M. Pourier, from March 23rd, until March 26th, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 263

Tracts given..... 2

Total pieces distributed..... 265

OHIO

Evangelist August Hammock sends in the following reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati:

Mrs. Wm. Barrowcliff and Mrs. B. B. Fulton

Week ending March 26, 1916

Calls made..... 35

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 30

"Theocrats" given..... 29

Total pieces distributed..... 59

Mr. Chas. W. Fulton and

Mr. Wm. B. Barrowcliff

Week ending March 26, 1916.

Calls made..... 30

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 25

Messages given..... 22

Total pieces distributed..... 47

Evangelist August Hammock

Week ending March 26, 1916

Calls made..... 75

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 65

The following is a report of Zion Literature distributed in the City of Chicago by the following Divisions of Zion Senior Restoration Host.

Lord's Day March 5, 1916, Divisions No. 1.
Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen, Director.

Zion Messages and Special Announcements given..... 10,543

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 128

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 347

"Theocrats" given..... 303

Total number of pieces of Zion

Literature distributed..... 11,321

Lord's Day March 5, 1916, Division No. 5.
Deacon W. E. Schmalfuss, Director.

Calls made..... 2,773

Zion Messages and Special Announcements given..... 5,342

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 127

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 90

"Theocrats" given..... 259

Total number of pieces of Zion

Literature distributed..... 5,818

Lord's Day March 12, 1916, Division No. 2.
Deacon H. G. Peterson, Director.

Zion Messages and Special Announcements given..... 5,386

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 127

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 166

"Theocrats" given..... 590

"Theocrats" sold..... 3

Total number of pieces of Zion

Literature distributed..... 6,272

Lord's Day March 19, 1916, Division No. 3.
Deacon Alex. S. Burgess, Director.

Zion Messages and Special Announcements given..... 8,299

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 998

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 232

"Theocrats" given..... 1,192

Total number of pieces of Zion

Literature distributed..... 10,721

Lord's Day March 26, 1916, Division No. 4.
Deacon T. R. Becker, Director.

Special Announcements given..... 2,130

"Leaves of Healing" given..... 328

"Leaves of Healing" sold..... 36

"Theocrats" given..... 488

Total number of pieces of Zion

Literature distributed..... 2,982

SHANGHAI, CHINA

The following named children were consecrated to God, March 12, 1916, by Apostle Francis M. Royall.

Kia Chu Chow

Me Yu Chow

Liang Yu Chow

Fu Teh Tsing

Nyuh Me Dong

Nyuh Tsing Dong

Jing Kyng Chang

Grace Hong

Julia Ting

The following named persons were given the Right-Hand of Fellowship, March 12th, 1916, by Apostle Francis M. Royall.

Mrs. Chang Li Tsi

Mrs. Dru Kiang Tsi

Mrs. Sing Fu Tsi

Mrs. So King Tsi

Mrs. Chang Fu Tsi

Mrs. Dong Tsing Tsi

Mr. Eu Kwang Iao

Mr. Wu Tsi Chiao

Mr. Li Shi Dong

Mr. Ye Tsu Ming

Mr. Ye Dao Tseng

Mr. Sung Tih Hying

Mr. Fong Tsi Kwang

Mr. Samuel Shao

Mr. Tsing Iah Yen

Mr. Eu Ping Tsi

Mr. So Tsi Seng

Mr. Chao Tsi Tsao

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

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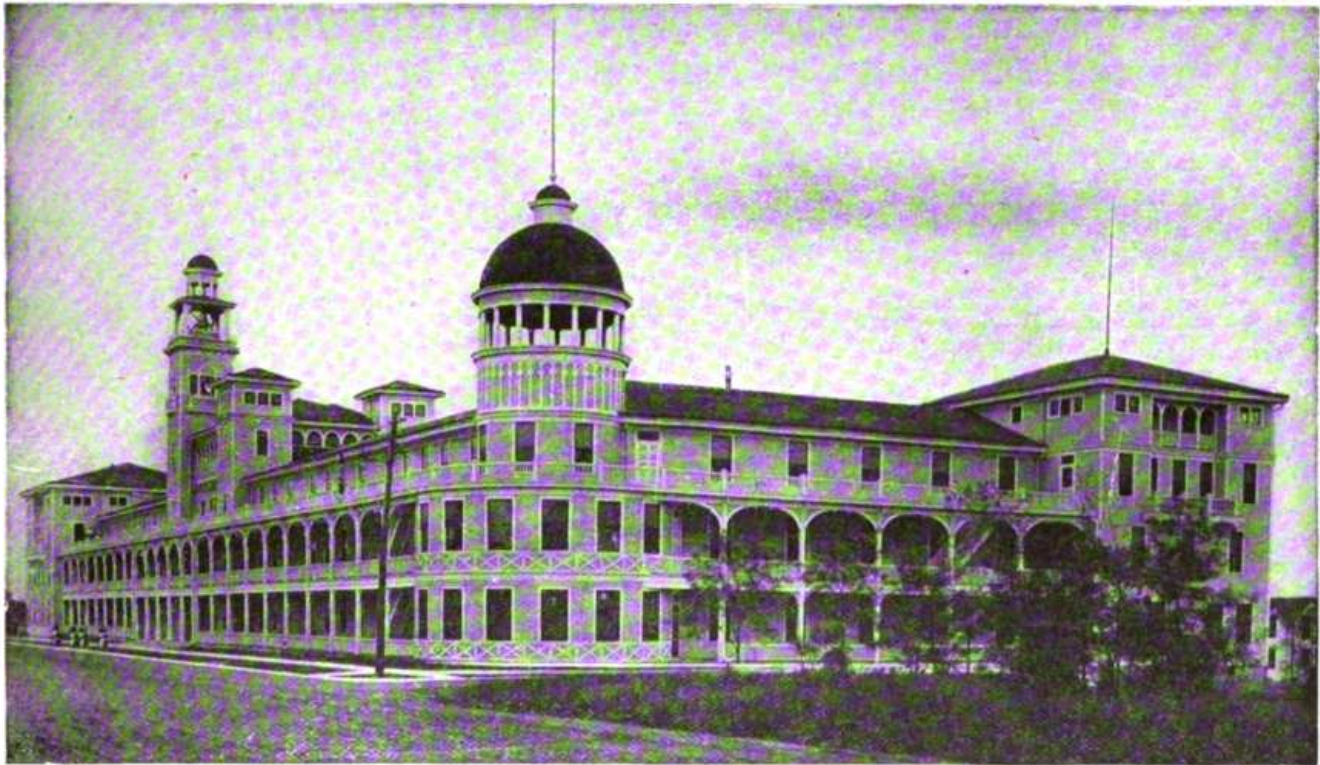
ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

TO ALL PERSONS BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF ZION CITY

WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BUILDING UP ZION CITY

WE want every person who has property outside of Zion City for sale, who desires to invest the proceeds in Zion City real estate or in Zion Institutions and Industries, to list same with us. We are in a position to be of help to you in disposing of it.

¶ We trust that you have carefully examined the map sent out with the "Leaves of Healing" Vol. 37, No. 21. This is the most complete map that has ever been issued of Zion City site and Zion Estate, and clearly indicates the amount of farm land that has been disposed of, and the small proportion of the entire Estate which remains to be sold.

¶ If you feel any responsibility whatever in the establishment of Zion City at this time, why should you delay in making whatever moves are necessary to assist in this work?

¶ We also want to call your attention to the ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES which pay six per cent on all investments. We have just closed a six months inventory period, which has been very satisfactory. Don't you want your investments where they will be used for the extension of the Kingdom of God and building up Institutions, the purpose of which is to give employment to Zion people? Zion City cannot be built and maintained without industries. Have you any part in them? Do you want any part in them? Time is passing rapidly. Why delay?

¶ We will gladly answer any communication in regard to either of the above propositions.

Yours respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN,
General Manager.

**NOW IS THE TIME TO SECURE A HOME
IN ZION CITY**

WE OFFER FOR SALE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

No. 1.	4-room house, good well, near school,	\$ 850.00
No. 2.	8-room house, good basement, electric lights, nicely located	2,250.00
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No. 4.	6-room house, good basement, electric lights, deep well, corner lot, near Tabernacle,	1,350.00
No. 5.	10-room house, fine location, modern, hot water system,	4,700.00
No. 6.	6-room house, basement, electric lights, nicely located,	1,600.00
No. 7.	6-room house, practically new, good basement, electric lights, well, cistern,	2,500.00
No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be glad
to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

ZION ESTATE FARMS

The following ZION ESTATE FARMS are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois:

Farm No. 1—	42 acres, \$150 per acre
Farm No. 2—	80 acres, \$175 per acre
Farm No. 3—	40 acres, \$225 per acre
Farm No. 4—	85 acres, \$165 per acre
Farm No. 5—	101 acres, \$125 per acre
Farm No. 6—	52 acres, \$140 per acre
Farm No. 7—	25 acres, \$225 per acre
Farm No. 8—	123 acres, \$160 per acre
Farm No. 9—	60 acres, \$110 per acre
Farm No. 10—	67 acres, \$85 per acre
Farm No. 11—	20 acres, \$160 per acre
Farm No. 12—	40 acres, \$150 per acre
Farm No. 13—	42 acres, \$150 per acre
Farm No. 14—	20 acres, \$100 per acre
Farm No. 15—	33.6 acres, \$225 per acre
Farm No. 16—	29 acres, \$185 per acre

Total.....859.6 acres

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Is the Center of Interest in Zion City

THE PRINCIPAL SERVICE is held every Lord's Day beginning with the Processional by the Zion White-Robed Choirs, promptly at 2:30 p. m.

All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

For complete information, from week to week, concerning the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING.

ZION IN KENOSHA, WIS. TABERNACLE--CARPENTER HALL

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Lord's Day Services

Bible School	- - - - -	9:00 a. m.
Principal Service	- - - - -	10:00 a. m.
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TUTTLE CHURCH BUILDING

Corner Blaisdell Ave. and 27th. Street

Lord's Day Meetings

Bible School	- - - - -	at 2:00 P. M.
PRINCIPAL MEETING	- - - - -	at 3:00 P. M.
Praise and Testimony Meeting	- - - - -	at 7:45 P. M.

Divine Healing Meeting

Every Wednesday	- - - - -	at 2:45 P. M.
(Special Teaching and Prayer for the Sick)		

Praise Prayer and Testimony Meeting

Every Wednesday	- - - - -	at 8:00 P. M.
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Deacon William M. Wigham

3608 Clinton Ave. - - Minneapolis, Minn.
Colfax 5819

ZION IN CINCINNATI

TABERNACLE: 123 West 12th Street
EVANGELIST AUGUST HAMMOCK in charge

Lord's Day Meetings

Bible School	- - - - -	at 2:00 P. M.
PRINCIPAL MEETING	- - - - -	at 3:00 P. M.

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(WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA)

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General Manager.

Administration Building

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ON the first floor, to the left of the hallway, will be found the offices of the general staff of Zion Institutions and Industries. On the right of the hallway are the offices of the LEAVES OF HEALING.

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Not How much money have you got, **But** how are you using it.

Not How strong you are, **But** what work are you doing.

Not How fast can you run, **But** where are you headed for.

Not How complete is your education, **But** to what purpose are you using it.

Not How skillfully you can play an instrument, **But** to whom is your talent consecrated.

Not How much of God's Word can you recite, **But** how much are you putting into practice.

The World has Money.

The World has Strength.

The World has Athletes.

The World has Education.

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The Devil can quote Scriptures.

It all depends upon the proper use of things.

WITH ZION

It is Not—How big is the Store, **But** what are you selling and what is done with the profits.

THE ZION DEPARTMENT STORE

Unlike All Others in Principle and Purpose.

In Principle, because we do not and will not sell anything that conflicts with God's Pure Food Laws, or that would be a source, or an inducement to evil.

In Purpose, because the profits derived are used for the extension of God's Kingdom and not for one or more individuals to spend in selfish luxuries.

Among the items that have to be excluded from our stocks are—

Tobacco, Intoxicating Liquors, Drugs, Swine's Flesh, Shell Fish, Hurtful Colorings and Flavorings, Objectionable Pictures, Chewing Gums, and everything that cannot stand the test of God's Word.

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Get your Clothing made by Zion Labor.

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All the New Styles and Materials for the Spring Season at economical prices.

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Zion Milk is Clarified as well as Pasteurized.

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Now is the time to think about young chicks.

Start them right, the first two weeks of a chick's life is what counts most. We have the right feeds—Blatchfords milk mash, Red Comb fine chick feed, and meat mash. Fine grit, oyster shells and charcoal. Steel cut oats.

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Zion Fuel Dept.

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He sendeth His word

and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

PATIENCE

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD
EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

VOLUME XXXVIII. No. 5

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, APRIL 29, 1916

Price Five Cents

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Husband Saved from
a Drunkard's Grave;
and Paralyzed Arm
Healed.

*The Lord hath done great
things for them.*
—Psalm 126:2.

ZION has a Great God, Who
does great things for His
people.

ZION has no use for the little
god whom the churches worship!

ZION has no use for the little
medical god to which the churches
bow down, and in which they
trust for healing of the body!

ZION'S GOD UNCHANGEABLE

ZION believes in, trusts in, and
worships the true and living God
Who saves, heals, cleanses, and
keeps; and Who is unchanging
—the same yesterday, and today,
and forever—a present Helper
and Deliverer.

"Cry out and shout, thou in-
habitant of ZION: for great is
the Holy One of Israel in the
midst of thee."—Isaiah 12:6.

The history of God's people is
replete with instances of great
deliverances; wrought for them
by the mighty hand of God.

Again and again the sacred



MR. AND MRS. JOHN A. MARSHALL

Wife Delivered from
the Morphine Habit,
and Healed of Dis-
eased Knee, of Broken
Leg, and of Asthma
by the Power of God,
in Answer to Prayer.

writers make mention of these
mighty acts.

"Oh that men would praise the
Lord for His goodness, and for
His wonderful works to the chil-
dren of men!"—Psalm 107:15.

GOD MUST BE GLORIFIED

The chief duty of the Christian
is to glorify God—to glorify Him
in word and in works; to "call
upon His Name;" to "declare
His doings among the people;"
to "make mention that His Name
is exalted."

"O give thanks unto the Lord,
for He is Good: for His mercy
endureth for ever.

"Let the redeemed of the Lord
say so, whom He hath redeemed
from the hand of the enemy."—
Psalm 107:1, 2.

Surely, of all the great cloud of
witnesses in ZION, few have
greater reasons for praising God
for His wonderful works than
have these two witnesses.

The husband was in the grip of the demon of strong drink. His whole life had been ruined, and he was fast hastening on to a drunkard's grave.

The churches and missions were powerless to help him; his affiliation with them offered no way of escape, and he was led, through these associations, to fight the great truth of a full salvation for spirit, for soul, and for *body*.

Strong drink, which had paralyzed brain and nerve, manifested itself in the complete paralysis of his arm. He was a wreck—spiritually, mentally, and physically.

Through the healing of his wife in answer to the prayer of faith, he learned of ZION's God, Who has said: "I AM THE LORD WHO HEALETH THEE."—Exodus 15:26.

DELIVERANCE FOUND IN ZION

The teaching of ZION got into his heart and transformed his whole life. In ZION he found the Deliverer.

The clear-cut call to repentance brought him to his senses, and led him to see himself as he was—a sinner, lost and helpless.

He repented of his sins, made wrongs right, and received the forgiveness of his sins and healing for his body; and was given the power to live a clean and holy life.

What he could not find in the missions, he found in ZION—the refuge for the afflicted of God's people—the one oasis in the desert of this world's unbelief.

Still more wonderful is the story of his wife's deliverances.

Terrible as is the bondage of strong drink, it is as nothing compared with that of the morphine habit. Perhaps no drug is more blighting and damning than morphine, and none holds its victims with a more devilish power. Few, indeed, escape when once brought under its horrible spell! There is no cure, and all human remedies fail!

Only the power of God can effect deliverance!

This witness was a victim to the use of morphine; had a diseased leg, with a stiff knee joint (the same leg was afterward broken); and was tormented with asthma.

Through the LEAVES OF HEALING she learned that God is the Healer of His people. She turned to God, and, when prayer was offered for her, received healing.

The story she tells is a most wonderful one, and cannot be told in all its fulness.

Read how she was tortured by doctors, who told her, at last, that amputation of her leg was the only thing that could save her life.

Read how wonderfully God restored her limb and preserved her life.

Look at the two pictures—one showing her as she was before she was healed, and the other showing her as she is today—ten years after her miraculous healing.

GOD TO BE GLORIFIED IN THE BODY AND SPIRIT

Is it any wonder that she praises God, loves ZION, and seeks to glorify the Lord Who made her whole?

This is the reason the testimonies of these witnesses are sent forth in LEAVES OF HEALING—to glorify God!

God is glorified in the healing of His children!

Salvation covers the body as well as the spirit, and we must glorify God in both of them.

"For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."—I Corinthians 6:20.

The body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, and, as such, must not be defiled.

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?"

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."—I Corinthians 3:16, 17.

The churches belittle the body and turn it over to the doctors and surgeons, as though it were not God's temple and a holy thing; but God's Word tells us of the redemption of the body—that these mortal bodies shall be quickened; that they shall be changed, and fashioned like unto the glorious body of our Lord—all through the power of God.

CHRIST IS THE SAVIOR OF THE BODY

And shall not God care for our bodies now, as well as hereafter? The resurrection life is a present reality as well as a future hope.

"He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit Who dwelleth in you."—Romans 8:11.

He will! and thousands in ZION are able to testify to the saving, healing, and keeping power of God.

Do not fear to trust Him!

"The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil; He shall preserve thy life.

"The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore."—Psalm 121:7, 8.

Know, kind reader, that God loves thee and desires to bless thee!

Know that God is no respecter of persons, and that what He has done for these witnesses He waits to do for thee!

Turn not to doctors, lest they get the glory!

Let God be magnified in your body!

"...Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death."—Philippians 1:20.

Glorify God!

"Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me."—Psalm 50:15.

"O MAGNIFY THE LORD WITH ME, AND LET US EXALT HIS NAME TOGETHER."—Psalm 34:3.

APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.



MRS. DELIA N. MARSHALL

Written Testimony of Mrs. Delia N. Marshall.

2707 Ezra Ave., Zion City, Illinois,
April 1, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:
Peace to thee!

It is now ten years since God healed me in Zion; but, as I have never told of it through LEAVES OF HEALING, I feel that I must do so now.

I am sending you two pictures of myself, one, showing something of the condition I was in when Zion found me. At that time I was so thin I would pad myself, when going out, until I could hardly move. My leg was turned back, as you see in the picture—I felt like a woman 70 years old—this picture does not show me in as bad a condition as I was when Zion found me, as it was taken a long time afterward.

The other picture, on the first page, shows me as I am today, healed by God, through faith in Jesus. I now weigh 146 pounds, and am 57 years young.

I consider my healing a great miracle, wrought by the power of God. Had it not been for Zion, I would now be under the sod, and my coffin would contain a body with only one leg; as all arrangements had been made to have my diseased leg amputated within two days, when I first heard of Zion.

For fourteen years, I had been lame with a diseased knee; I had gone on crutches for ten years; I had tried many Doctors, and had undergone two operations. In the first operation, the cords were cut under the knee, the joint pulled apart, and a plaster cast put on the entire leg from the ankle upward; which cast I wore for six months.

This operation was performed by Dr. Weyman of Detroit, Michigan, who told me he could cure me; but that he would have to make the knee stiff. You can imagine my disappointment when I heard the nurse, (who thought I was asleep and would not hear her), say to a patient who asked if she thought the operation would be a success, "Well, everybody knows that operations are only experiments."

When the cast was taken off, my knee was perfectly stiff. After that my husband took me to one Doctor after another; but none of them seemed to want to have anything to do with it. One of them advised that the leg be amputated.

Then I went to the St. Clair Hospital at Cleveland, Ohio; where the Doctors burned the knee to the bone with a red hot iron. They did this in about 25 different places, and at two different times. This, they said, would bring out the decayed bones.

The Doctors at the St. Clair Hospital said, that the Doctor who cut the cords under the knee was a fool, as he did not cut them in the right place.

For a long time after that, I did not go to any Doctor. My knee was badly swollen and kept getting worse; and there was not a moment that it did not ache and pain me. If I jarred my leg or touched my toes against anything, I would almost faint from pain. I thought I would rather die than to live in such agony.

The last Doctor I went to see was Dr. Parker of Cleveland, Ohio. I asked him to take an interest in me and give me some hope; but he said he did not want to raise any false hopes in me. He said there was no hope of my ever walking again, as the knee joint was entirely gone, and I could no more use the leg again, than I could swing a door without hinges. He said he would have an X-Ray picture of the knee taken, so that I could see for myself.

Dr. Stone Scott took the picture. He also took one of the well knee. In the latter picture, every detail of the joint could be seen; but, in the former, there could be seen nothing but a black ball. How I do wish I had those pictures now, to show the people what God can do.

Dr. Parker told me that amputation was the only thing that could save my life. I consented to this, and the appointment was made on Monday, to have the operation performed on the following Wednesday.

When we returned from the Doctor's office on Monday evening, a lady living in the same flat told us that a woman had been there, and would come again that evening, as she must see us. She had left some papers for us to read, and these were LEAVES OF HEALING. The woman had heard of me at one of the missions, where my husband was a worker; but was a perfect stranger to us. She was the only Zion person in Cleveland, and she used to go around with the LEAVES OF HEALING, and hold Zion meetings in her house.

Later in the evening, she came back, and told us of Jesus the Healer. She said that God had given me two legs; and had never given any man the right to take one of them away or, for that matter, any part of my body.

She was so positive, and seemed so different from any Christian I had ever met, that when she told me Jesus would heal me no matter how bad I was, or how long I had been lame, I believed everything she told me.

When Wednesday came, the day set for the amputation, my husband took me over to her house, to learn more about this wonderful Savior. I stayed with her for three months; never going outside the yard. I put in all my time reading the Bible and the LEAVES OF HEALING. I felt God's very presence in that house, and it seemed just like Heaven.

When I went to her house, I was loaded down with Morphine—I had been taking it for ten years. I began taking Morphine to relieve my suffering. After I had been taking it a while, it did not relieve me; but I could not stop using it, and I would take very large doses. I threw away all of my Morphine, and the first time I was prayed for, I was instantaneously and perfectly delivered from the desire for it. I thought it wonderful that God had answered prayer for me; and that I need not use the awful Morphine any more.

Oh, how it made me love God! He was revealed to me as never before. God and the Bible became so different to me.

I wanted to go right out, and tell all the sick people about Jesus—I thought they were suffering because they did not know—and I wanted to give all I had to take this Gospel to them: I did not have much, but what I had I gave; I took off my nice gold watch, and all my rings, and gave them to help; I thought I could not do enough for God Who had done so much for me.

Soon, all the pain and swelling went out of my knee, and I could move my leg a little, and could lift it into bed at night, (all these years before, I had to lift it with my hands); but the restoration came gradually.

I would read about the wonderful healings in the LEAVES OF HEALING, and look at the pictures of those who were healed, and determine to get healing too. Little did I know what I would have to suffer and go through before I did get it.

Soon after I returned to my home, the Deaconesses of the Methodist Church, to which we belonged, came and tried to destroy what little faith I did have; and the Class Leader came and told me I was a fool to expect God to do such a thing as to heal me.

Then, my husband turned against Divine Healing and Zion, and

I had to choose between Jesus the Healer and husband, home, and everything I had. I chose Jesus, and let the rest go.

Even those who were near and dear to me forsook me. I was blamed for breaking up our home by what they termed a "Strange Religion." Those were dark days, yet happy ones, for I was always looking forward,—I knew the crowning day was coming by and by. I found a verse in the Bible which I thought was surely put there for me. It is the 17th verse of the 30th chapter of Jeremiah:

"For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion whom no man seeketh after."

One day I picked up a copy of LEAVES OF HEALING, and read where Dr. Dowie said, "When you give all you have to Jesus, He looks at it and says, 'Is that all you have? Here, hold your lap,' and He puts it all back, with a thousand times more." I remember how I cried, and I wondered if Jesus would do that for me. Today I can truthfully say that He did, and that He has given me many thousands more.

My husband did not know that he was fighting God, when he fought Divine Healing; and he soon fell away from God and started drinking. At the end of two years, he became paralyzed in his right arm; and then he turned to God for forgiveness and healing, which he received. He then came into Zion.

When I first read what Dr. Dowie said about the Doctors, I thought he was right; for, I never did believe in medicine, and never took any during all my lameness. At the different hospitals, my medicine would stay on the little stand, untouched. My experience with Doctors, caused me to have no faith in them.

When I was a girl, living on a farm five miles from Akron, Ohio, my father was taken sick, and we had a Doctor come out from Akron to see him. He gave him some medicine, and soon after he was gone my father went into convulsions, and stayed that way all that day and all night.

In the morning, the Doctor came out in a great hurry and very much excited, and asked if my father was still alive. When we said "Yes," he said, "My God! the strychnine I gave that man was enough to kill twenty." Then he tried to pour something down father's throat; but father would spit it up into his face. Then the Doctor put his knee on my father's body to hold him down; but father fought so hard that he could not succeed in getting anything down him; so he gathered up all his medicines and went away.

My father never came out of the convulsions, and died that night. His body fell to pieces, and could not be dressed for burial, and water ran out of the casket on to the floor. The handles on the casket turned black; and the day of the funeral, the casket had to be placed out-of-doors, the odor was so terrible.

That Doctor knew perfectly well that he killed my father; and he will have to stand before God as my father's murderer. I could tell his name if I wanted to, because I never have forgotten it.

As I lay in my bed at the Detroit Hospital, I could see them lead dogs up the outside stairs, to be operated on. They would put a gag in the dog's mouth, and, while the dog was alive, would take off the top of his head, and touch a nerve to see the leg jerk.

Oh, I do thank God for Zion, and for the great truths she teaches, and that we are out of such gross darkness. If any one really wants to know God, they can find the way by reading LEAVES OF HEALING.

I thank God for the privilege of living in Zion City, where we have been living for twelve years. We now have a dear little home of our own, which is something we never had before coming to Zion City.

At the time I came to Zion City, I had bronchial asthma so bad that for two years my voice had not been natural. But, when I came out here, I was so happy that I forgot all about it, and it all went away, without ever having any one pray for it.

I have had many healings since coming to Zion City. I fell and broke the large bone about half way between the knee and the ankle in the leg that had been lame. I kept a splint on it for six days, then I took the splint off and trusted God; and in six weeks I was in the kitchen doing my work.

God has blessed us wonderfully in paying our tithes; which is something we have always done since coming to Zion. Our tithes were laid out the first thing after getting our pay; my husband would pay his tithes if he did not have anything to buy bread with. When my income was only ten cents a month, I would put one cent away for tithes, and when I had ten cents, I would send it to headquarters, and get my receipt for it.

We thank God that we both see Zion, the Kingdom of God; and believe with all our hearts, that God established Zion through Dr. Dowie; and that Wilbur Glenn Voliva is just as much the leader of His people today, as Joshua was after Moses brought the Children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

Both my husband and I are more determined than ever to put forth greater effort to work for God, and take the light to others as it was brought to us.

I pray God that the LEAVES OF HEALING may carry my testimony and lay it on the bed of some weary sufferer, who, through it, may be encouraged to look to Him Who took upon Himself all our infirmities and bore all our sicknesses, and to serve Him Who gave Himself for us, Spirit, Soul and Body.

We pray God to bless you in your great work for God and humanity.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) Mrs. Della Nelson Marshall.

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He sendeth His word  and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus Name



GENERAL OVERSEER'S NOTES

DIVINE HEALING

DIVINE HEALING IS SIMPLY TAKING GOD AT HIS WORD.

DIVINE HEALING MUST BE PRECEDED BY SALVATION.

GOD WORKS from the inside to the outside—from the spirit to the body.

SATAN'S AGENTS—the medical poisoners and surgical butchers—look at your tongue, feel the pulse, shake their empty heads, and foolishly attempt to heal from the outside.

DO YOU BELIEVE the Bible to be the inspired Word of God?

Do I hear you answer "Yes?"

Then what do you do when you are sick?

Some answer yes, and the great majority, both in the world and in the so-called churches, reply, "We call in the doctors and take drugs;" some adding, "and ask God to bless the drugs."

Some, (sad to say, a small number,) answer, "We trust God absolutely."

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless ignorant, does believe the Bible when he turns away from God and trusts his body to doctors, drugs, and surgeons.

ZION STANDS uncompromisingly for Divine Healing.

ZION IS THE ONLY MOVEMENT today that teaches and lives Divine Healing.

Give me the name of another one, if you can.

The members of all other so-called movements which profess to teach Divine Healing do, in the last analysis, turn to doctors and trust in the arm of flesh.

ZION'S TRUMPET gives no uncertain sound.

GOD'S WORD is true.

God's promises never fail.

LOOK UPON ALL THINGS as they were in the beginning:

"And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good."

There was no sin.
 There was no sickness.
 There was no suffering.
 There was no poverty.
 There was no death.
 There was no curse on man.
 There was no curse on the animal kingdom.
 There was no curse on the vegetable kingdom.

LOOK AT all things as they are now. A great change has taken place:

There is widespread rebellion against God.
 There is sin on every hand.
 There is disease.
 There is hell in many breasts.

No DEVIL, no sin, is true.
 No sin, no disease, is true.
 No disease, no death, is true.
 No death, no hell, is true.

WHAT IS GOD'S REMEDY for sin? It is the blood of Jesus, His Only Begotten Son, Who gave His life as a sacrifice for all mankind.

What is man's remedy for disease? Rank mineral and vegetable poisons, horrible concoctions inspired of the devil.

What is God's remedy for disease? The precious blood of Jesus, and how terrible that so many should trample the blood under their feet, and this they do when they turn from God to man in sickness.

"If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee." (Exodus 15:26)

DISOBEDIENCE MEANS sickness and death.
 Obedience means exemption from sickness.
 Divine Healing is beautiful.
 Divine Keeping is better.

THE REBELLIOUS AGAINST GOD look at Exodus 15:26, and say, in effect;

I will not hearken to Thy voice.
 I will not do right in Thy sight.
 I will not give ear to Thy commandments.
 I will not keep Thy statutes.
 I will do as I like, and go as I please—and if I get sick, I will go to the doctor, take medicine and get well.

FOOL'S THAT many are! God said, "I am the Lord that healeth thee!"

MAN'S CLAIM to heal is a farce, a delusion, and a snare, a trick of the devil.

The devil makes people sick, and then deceives them by saying:

"God, your dear Heavenly Father, has made you sick."

How many preachers are there who still teach the lie that God makes people sick?

ALL SICKNESS, all disease is from the devil.

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham whom satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" (Luke 13:16)

Note: "*Whom satan hath bound.*"

"How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him." (Acts 10:38)

Note: *All that Jesus healed were oppressed of the devil.*

Sin, disease, death and hell are the works of the devil.

"He that committeth sin is of the devil, for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." (I John 3:8)

OH, YE SICK and suffering ones!

God loves you.

"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."

GOD, IS ABLE to heal you.

God is willing to heal you.

Put away your drugs.

Discard all doctors.

Keep clear of all surgeons.

TURN TO GOD.

Repent! See Matthew 3:2; 4:17; Acts 2:38.

Confess! James 5:16.

Restore! Luke 19:8; Matthew 5:23-24.

Have Faith! Mark 11:22-26; Romans 10:17; Hebrews 11:1.

Obeys! Matthew 7:24-29; John 14:21-23; Acts 5:32.

Live a holy life! I Thess. 5:22-24; II Peter 3:11.

PRAYER REQUESTS may be sent to Apostle E. L. Carey, General Ecclesiastical Secretary, ZION CITY, Illinois, by letter, telegram, telephone, or messenger.

Zion Witnessing in the Midst of World-Wide Apostasy

Report of the Address Delivered by Apostle Anton Darms at the Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, October 17, 1915

Reported by E. I. Carey

PROCESSIONAL BY ZION WHITE-ROBED CHOIR: "COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME!"

Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of Harvest-Home:
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's Own temple, come,
Raise the song of Harvest-Home.

All the world is God's Own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown:
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take His harvest home;
From His field shall in that day
All offenses purge away;
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In His Garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
To Thy final Harvest-Home!
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There forever purified,
In Thy Presence to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious Harvest-Home.

INVOCATION BY APOSTLE DARMS:

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause Thy Face to shine upon us, that Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy Saving Health among the nations; for the Sake of Jesus. Amen.

APOSTLE DARMS: Let us sing the hymn: "JESUS SHALL REIGN." In the second verse, instead of singing, "To Him Shall Endless Prayer Be Made," let all the people sing, "Through Him Shall Endless Prayer Be Made."

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run,
His Kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

Through Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head:
His Name, like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue,
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns;
The prisoner leaps to loose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise, and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen.

We will continue our worship by singing the hymn: "THE CROWNING DAY IS COMING."

Our Lord is now rejected,
And by the world disowned,
By the many still neglected,
And by the few enthroned,
But soon He'll come in glory,
The hour is drawing nigh,
For the crowning day is coming by and by.

CHORUS:—

Oh, the crowning day is coming,
Is coming by and by,
When our Lord shall come in "power,"
And "glory" from on high.
Oh, the glorious sight will gladden
Each waiting, watchful eye,
In the crowning day that's coming by and by.

The heavens shall glow with splendor,
But brighter far than they
The saints shall shine in glory,
As Christ shall them array.
The beauty of the Savior
Shall dazzle every eye,
In the crowning day that's coming by and by.

Our pain shall then be over,
We'll sin and sigh no more,
Behind us all of sorrow,
And naught but joy before,
A joy in our Redeemer,
As we to Him are nigh,
In the crowning day that's coming by and by.

Let all that look for, hasten
The coming joyful day,
By earnest consecration
To walk the narrow way;
By gathering in the lost ones,
For whom our Lord did die,
For the crowning day that's coming by and by.

We will listen to the reading of the Word of God by Apostle Carey.

SCRIPTURE READING

APOSTLE CAREY: I will read from the twenty-eighth chapter of Deuteronomy, commencing with the sixty-third verse and closing with the sixty-seventh:

And it shall come to pass, that as the Lord rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the Lord will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.

And the Lord shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone.

And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the Lord shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind:

And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:

In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

For our second lesson we will read in the I Book of Kings, chapter eight, from the forty-fourth verse to the fifty-third verse, inclusive:

If Thy people go out to battle against their enemy, whithersoever Thou shalt send them, and shall pray unto the Lord toward the city which Thou hast chosen, and toward the house that I have built for Thy name:

Then hear Thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause.

If they sin against Thee (for there is no man who sinneth not), and Thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy, far or near:

Yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto Thee in the land of them who carried them captives, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;

And so return unto Thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, who led them away captive, and pray unto Thee toward their land, which Thou gavest unto their fathers, the city which Thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for Thy Name:

Then hear Thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven Thy dwellingplace, and maintain their cause,

And forgive Thy people who have sinned against Thee, and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against Thee, and give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:

For they be Thy people, and Thine inheritance, which Thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron:

That Thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of Thy servant, and unto the supplication of Thy people Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto Thee.

For Thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be Thine inheritance, as Thou spakest by the hand of Moses Thy servant, when Thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord God.

I will read again in the sixth chapter of Daniel:

It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom a hundred and twenty princes, who should be over the whole kingdom;

And of these three presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.

Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault: forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him concerning the law of his God.

Then these presidents and princes assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, King Darius, live for ever.

All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.

Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.

Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.

Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.

Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree, that every man who shall ask a petition of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.

Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, who is of the children of the captivity of Judah, regardeth not thee, O king, nor the decree that thou hast signed, but maketh his petition three times a day.

Then the king, when he heard these words, was sore displeased with himself, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he labored till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians is, That no decree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed.

Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God Whom thou servest continually, He will deliver thee.

And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.

Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were instruments of music brought before him; and his sleep went from him.

Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.

And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: and the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the Living God, is thy God, Whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?

Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.

My God hath sent His angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before Him innocency

was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt. Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

And the king commanded, and they brought those men who had accused Daniel, and cast them into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; and the lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces or ever they came at the bottom of the den.

Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: for He is the Living God, and steadfast for ever, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and His dominion shall be even unto the end.

He delivereth and rescueth, and He worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, Who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.

So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

May God bless the reading of His Word!

The Senior Choir then rendered the Anthem—"LOVELY APPEAR," following which Apostle Peckham offered the

GENERAL SUPPLICATION

APOSTLE PECKHAM: O God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that we can gather here this afternoon, knowing that Thou art our God—Thou Who art the God of Abraham, of Isaac, of Jacob, of Moses, of Jonah, of Daniel, and of all the great and mighty men of olden times; Thou Who art the God and Father of our Lord Jesus the Christ. We bow our knees unto Thee and worship Thee!

O Thou God of deliverances, we thank Thee that Thou hast been with Thy children in all the days of their troubles and afflictions; and in the time of necessity Thou didst always come to their relief.

We praise Thee, O God, for those who have stood the tests, and who, from the time of the olden patriarchs, have chosen to serve Thee. We thank Thee, O God, for those who, in the time of trial, the time of choosing, were able to choose God, righteousness, and the paths of His Holy Word.

We thank Thee, O God, that Thou hast been to us such a Wonderful God in all the ages that are gone; and we thank Thee that Thou art still the same today—that Thou hast never changed.

We praise Thee, this afternoon, for the company that Thou hast gathered together in Zion City. We thank Thee for those who, when the call came, and when the day of choice came and the decision had to be made, forsook their lands and their homes and their loved ones, and came—some from far away across the waters; many from this and other lands—to cast in their lot with the children of God, and to love and serve Him Who has said that His Kingdom ruleth over all.

We praise Thee that we have come here seeking to enthrone Christ as King and to prepare the way for His Coming; and we pray that Thou wilt help us each one, as we have this hope, to purify ourselves and wait and watch for His appearing.

We pray Thy blessing, this afternoon, upon our beloved leader, the General Overseer, as he speaks in the City of Destiny—the great city of Chicago, and that Thou wilt help him to declare the message with mighty power, and endue him with the Spirit of the Living God, and give unto him the message. Bless those who are around him, and those who support him.

We pray for every officer and every member of this church. We pray, O God, for every one who fills any position of great responsibility; and we pray for those who are in the ranks who are faithful.

Bless, we pray Thee, every faithful singer, every faithful player, every faithful guard,—all who are helping in any way to establish this work and to bring forth the righteousness of our God.

Oh, we praise Thee for Zion!

We praise Thee that Thou hast brought to us the light and the knowledge of Thy Word, as it is taught in Zion.

We thank Thee for the great salvation for spirit, for soul, and for body!

We thank Thee, O God, that through these many years Thou hast been our Savior, our Healer, our Cleanser, and our Keeper.

We thank Thee for the great army of children that has been born in Zion, never knowing what it is to have a doctor or to taste medicine, but only to pray unto the God of Israel to be healed. We praise Thee, O God, for the health of the children of Zion City, and we ask Thee to bless these little ones. Keep them in the hollow of Thy hand, and defend them from all evil and from all the power of the evil one.

Bless the aged ones, our Father, whose days are numbered; and we pray Thee that Thou wilt strengthen them and uphold them. Be their Support and their Guide.

Bless those, O God, who are going forth with the message, and all who are sounding forth the call to repentance, to faith in God, and to a holy life. Bless our workers in every field! We pray that Thou wilt send forth more laborers into the harvest field, and that we may realize the day in which we live—the harvest time—the day of the gathering of Thy people and of the separation of the righteous from the wicked.

We ask Thee that Zion City may be a city set upon a hill, which "cannot be hid;" that her light shall shine to the nations of the

earth, and that they shall come to know their God and realize that this is the place to which their feet must turn.

We pray Thee to bless the scattered ones, and to support and sustain and comfort and strengthen them, and to open the way for them to come to Zion—the City of the Living God.

Oh, we praise Thee for Thy wondrous love, for Thy power to save and heal; and we ask Thy blessing upon the entire membership.

We ask Thee to bless any who have passed through the deep waters of sorrow; who have had tender ties broken; who have been called upon to say the last goodbye to their loved ones; and we pray Thee to strengthen, comfort, and keep them; and may they know Thy Presence day by day and hour by hour.

We thank Thee for this day in Zion!

We thank Thee for every service, and for all the opportunities we have to learn more of Thee.

We thank Thee for the precious Bible School; for all who came out through the storm this morning; for the lessons we learned as we sat at the feet of the Great Teacher, and as we listened to those whom Thou hast called to teach.

O Father, we thank Thee for the leader whom Thou hast given; for his faithful life; for his enduring love and faithful labors; and we praise Thee, O God, that Thou hast wrought in and through him and this people, until Thou hast brought us to the place where we realize that Zion is upon sure foundations, and that nothing can shake her, and that she shall go forth to speak once more with mighty authority in all the earth—telling the nations that God's Kingdom has been established, which must continue until all other kingdoms have been destroyed and this nation rules over all, and our Christ is enthroned once more. We know, O God, that Thou wilt bring it to pass.

Help all to be faithful and to realize that they have been called; that they must be chosen; that they must be faithful, and that God will give unto each of them a crown of eternal life.

Oh, bless us in this service! Bless him who shall speak to us,—our beloved apostle. Grant, O God, to endue him with power from on high. May the words that he speaks be not his own words, but the words which Thou hast given him.

May Thy Holy Spirit help us in all our struggles to give utterance to the love, joy, and peace filling our hearts, and to speak forth the greatness of our God.

We thank Thee, O God, that Thou hast called us out of darkness into marvellous light! Thou hast called us out of sin into righteousness; Thou hast called us out of sickness into health; Thou hast blessed us as Thou hast not blessed any other people.

We pray for the "Leaves of Healing," for "The Theocrat," and for the messages—the literature of Zion—that Thou wilt use it. We pray Thee to bless this week's issue that sets forth the diabolical counterfeit of Christianity—Christian Science—which is opposed to everything that is Zion and that is true to God's Word. Oh, we pray Thee to bless this message to the opening of the eyes of many who have been entrapped, who have been deceived, and who have been made to stumble. Many of them once knew God, but they now have a principle—something that is foreign to a Living and Prayer-hearing and Prayer-answering God, a Sympathizing Savior, a Comforting Holy Spirit—one Eternal, Triune, Personal God.

O God, we pray that Thou wilt bless this week's issue of the "Leaves of Healing." May we, in our hearts, determine that we will do all that is within our power for the sending forth of the precious "Leaves of Healing;" and may the Holy Spirit use this mighty weapon to the breaking down of the castles of unbelief and the awful dungeons of despair, and to call forth faith in God and in His Precious Word.

We pray that the light may shine once more, and that the Living Waters may flow, and that the Kingdom of God may be set up. Oh, bless Zion to this end!

Once more we ask Thee to bless this city, and all who dwell here. Hasten the day when every one who loves God and Zion shall worship in Shiloh Tabernacle. Help them to know that this is the house which our beloved leader, John Alexander Dowie—Thy servant—gave unto this people, and that this is the place where he sounded forth the glorious message; and may the sacred memories of this place come to them in their wanderings, in their separation, in their turning aside, and bring them back to this Thy house—Zion's place of worship!

Gather the scattered sheep, O God, who love Thee and who love Zion!

We pray Thee to put the highways of Zion into many hearts!

Bless and prosper those who are seeking to come to Zion City, that they may be able to get free; that they may be able to sell their properties and come and help in the establishment of the City of God, and that they may be able to come quickly.

We know the time is very short, and that we have but a little while in which to do our work.

Help us, Lord, to be on fire for Thee, and to go forth into the vineyard winning precious ones for Thee, that there may be stars in our crown of rejoicing, and that we may be able to lay them at the Master's feet to give all the glory to Him, Who hath wrought, in and through us, the salvation of others; and speedily may we see the coming of the King. We ask it all in His Name and for His Sake, Who, in the days of His flesh, taught us to pray and, when we pray, to say: (The Choir and the Congregation then reverently chanted the Lord's Prayer.)

As the Tithes and Free-will Offerings were being received, the Offertory was rendered on the Pipe Organ. The Announce-

ments for the week were then made, after which the Senior Choir sang the Anthem—"O ZION, THAT BRINGEST GOOD TIDINGS."

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Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

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TEXT:

The people who do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.—Daniel 11:32.

They who be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they who turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever.—Daniel 12:3.

APOSTLE DARMS; It is my purpose, this afternoon, by the grace and help of God, to speak upon the subject: "Zion Witnessing in the Midst of World-wide Apostasy."

Last Lord's Day, we had the privilege of listening to Apostle Carey speak on the wonderful life of David, the king of Israel, which brought to our minds the exaltation of Jehovah in the midst of an unfaithful people, and in the face of an unfaithful king in Israel. We were told, as it is stated in the Word of God, that David was able, in the midst of the greatest opposition and difficulties and discouragements, to go forward in his work for Jehovah and accomplish that for which he had been called to the throne of Israel.

This afternoon, I desire to call your attention to another servant of God, who lived far away from the land of David (who was instrumental, more than any one else, in establishing Zion as the headquarters of Israel in the land of Canaan), far away from Zion, far away from Jerusalem, far away from the Promised Land—to Daniel, a captive in Babylon.

As you follow the teaching that will be given this afternoon, you will see that the same results were accomplished by Daniel in Babylon that were accomplished by the servant of God in Jerusalem—David.

You will find that it was possible, even though far away from the Promised Land, for the servants of God in Babylon to exalt Jehovah in the midst of great apostasy and falling away.

Unfaithfulness, the Cause of Israel's World-wide Dispersion

It would be well to remember the condition which prevailed among God's people and which made it necessary for God to cast them off and to scatter them to the ends of the earth, as it were.

If you have followed the reading of the Word of God this afternoon—and particularly the words read from the book of Deuteronomy, you will find that even at that early period, after having been brought up out of Egyptian bondage, they were warned by the mouth of Jehovah as to what the terrible consequences would be if they fell away from Him and from His Word, and broke His commandments and failed to keep His statutes.

In the beginning of the twenty-eighth chapter of Deuteronomy, they were told of the wonderful blessings that would come to them if they were obedient to Jehovah; but they were also told in plain language, that if they failed to serve Him, God would not spare His own people, but would punish them and make them a byword, and cause them not to know what their future would be when they were carried into a far-away land.

Then in the next portion of the Scripture Reading—in the eighth chapter of the I Book of Kings—you will notice that in the prayer which Solomon made at the dedication of the temple in Jerusalem, the same warning was uttered. He, the king of Israel, seemed to have premonition within his spirit that Israel would become unfaithful, and that God would need to drive them away into a far-distant country, where they would be captives, and where they would again be in bondage.

In that wonderful prayer, Solomon prayed unto God that even there God would not forsake them, but would maintain their cause and lead them to repent and to turn to Him; and that He would hear the prayer of those who would kneel and pray with their faces toward the Holy City and the sanctuary.

We see, therefore, that the time had come, after hundreds of years of patient endurance on the part of God with an unfaithful people, when these warnings had to be fulfilled.

After the ten tribes had been sent into far-away Assyria, the

two remaining tribes, who had been given a century or so in which to make good their promise to serve Jehovah, failed to serve Him; and the Lord permitted the enemy, Nebuchadnezzar, to come up with a great army from Babylonia, against the Promised Land and to lead them away captives.

The Knowledge of God Makes for a Strong People

Among the captives taken from the royal palace were the youths mentioned in the first chapter of Daniel—Daniel himself, a lad of but fifteen or sixteen years, and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, these names having been given to the three Jewish lads who accompanied Daniel into captivity.

We find these four boys carried away, five hundred miles from the Holy City, into an environment which was ungodly in the extreme.

As I have mentioned, their names were changed, Daniel being given the name Belteshazzar. Everything was done which would lead them to forget God their Father and the training they had received, and to cause them to use their talents, their time, and their strength for the upbuilding of a foreign empire and a foreign people—a people who hated the Name of Jehovah, the True and Living God.

You will notice, in the words of my text, that a promise had been given before they were taken into captivity, the fulfillment of which demanded that they be true to their vows and true to their God.

You will find these words in the thirty-second verse of the eleventh chapter of Daniel:

“The people who do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.”

From these words, you see what is necessary in order to fit a person for the great purpose for which man was created; namely, to be STRONG, and to be able to carry out the work that God gave to man in the beginning; to be able to do exploits; to be able to do great things for God in the upbuilding and establishing of His KINGDOM; to be able to overcome great difficulties and accomplish great tasks.

In order to be strong and to do exploits, it is necessary, as a preparation, to have the knowledge of God—to have the knowledge of His Word; to have the knowledge of His commandments; to have the knowledge of His covenants and His promises; to be in touch with the True and Living God—and to be able to build upon the sure foundation of the knowledge of God's Word a superstructure, of which the Christ Himself said that the winds and the storms will not be able to tear it down, because it is founded upon a strong foundation.

Today we are facing the same condition that these youths faced in the great city of Babylon.

Daniel and the Three Hebrew Children Faithful Amidst Ungodly Environment

There were a great many things that were attractive in that large, cosmopolitan city of a foreign empire—a city sixteen miles square, with walls three hundred sixty-five feet high and eighty feet wide, making it possible for four chariots to race along the top of the wall around the city; and with a population of almost one million.

This great city had been built to be a monument to the majesty of King Nebuchadnezzar.

Today the same conditions exist that prevailed in Babylon at that time. The devil is seeking to entice and entrap God's people who are found in the world today. He has done great and wonderful things, through the instrumentality of the ambitions of men.

The people are taught to be satisfied with the existing condition of things, where God is left out, where the Word of God is despised, and where the things of this world have full sway. They take no thought of God; they take no thought of prayer; they take no thought of the sanctuary, or of worship or praise; they have nothing whatever to do with the Christian life.

It is for this purpose that God has raised up ZION in the midst of world-wide apostasy—to witness for His Name, and to cause the world to know that God must be exalted, and that God *shall* be exalted, notwithstanding opposition and discouragement.

We find a great deal in the Word of God concerning the time when people shall decide to serve Him.

Some people have the idea that it is all right for them to think of these things and to prepare to meet God, when this life has almost come to a close. They think that they can finish

their work in this life, and then make it their last task and duty to prepare to die and to meet God at the day of judgment.

That is contrary to the teaching of the Word of God, and to the best interests of humanity!

It is contrary to the cause and KINGDOM OF GOD!

We find a great deal said in the Scriptures which admonishes the young people and the children to serve the True and Living God all the days of their lives. You will find the wonderful story of Joseph; the beautiful story of Moses—the child who was taken up out of the waters by Pharaoh's daughter, and then committed to his mother for training, and who, notwithstanding the knowledge which he later received at the hand of Pharaoh's daughter, never forgot the training that his mother gave him at her knee; you will find the story of Samuel, who was given to Hannah, his mother, in answer to prayer, and after she had trained him, she brought him up to the house of God and gave him to the priest, that he might be trained for the service of the sanctuary.

Passing on, you find the wonderful story of David; the story of Solomon—who, in his youth, sought wisdom of God, that he might be able to lead Israel aright; you find the story of Daniel and the other three lads; and then when you come down to the New Testament, you read the beautiful story of Jesus the Christ, Who went, with His mother and Joseph, to worship in Jerusalem, when He was but a lad of twelve years; and there He made the reply to His mother, as she sought Him, “Wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business?”

The Word of God Teaches How to Raise a Royal Generation

Therefore I say that the Word of God teaches plainly that the principal duty of God's people is to train the boys and the girls who are growing up in our midst to know the True and Living God.

I speak, this afternoon, a word of encouragement to the young people in ZION!

I speak, this afternoon, a word of warning to the parents to leave nothing undone in your homes while you have your children under your care, and to use every opportunity that God gives you to teach them His Word, to instil the fear of the Most High God into their minds and hearts, to teach them to love the Word of God and to store up its treasures in their minds and hearts!

I speak words of encouragement to our young people and to our boys and girls in ZION today, and I pray that they will take advantage of the wonderful opportunities and the training that they are receiving in ZION.

God has raised up ZION for the purpose of witnessing, in the midst of world-wide apostasy, to the fact that it is possible to raise up a generation of children, of youths and maidens, of young men and women, who know God, who love Him, and who are determined to serve Him and walk in His ways.

One of the most wonderful testimonies that has ever gone out to the world is ZION's testimony of a new generation that is growing up—born without doctors and raised without drugs, and free from all the evil influences that exist in the world.

The picture that has gone forth from ZION, through LEAVES OF HEALING, showing the hundreds of babes in mothers' arms, boys and girls, youths and maidens, born without doctors, and who have never tasted medicine, is one of the most wonderful testimonies that has been given since the days of the Christ.

It is wonderful to know that in these times of great apostasy, when the falling away in the church has become so extensive that there are very few faithful ones to be found—in the midst of this unfaithfulness, God has raised up a generation in ZION that loves to serve Him.

Daniel Purposed Not to be Defiled with Evil of Any Kind

One of the wonderful things that is recorded in connection with the life of Daniel is, that when he and his companions were taken to Babylon, and when they were asked to eat of the king's meat and to drink of the wine which the king drank, “Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself” thereby.

Youths and maidens, young men and women in ZION, have you reached the place where you can say that God has put the great and ennobling purpose into your life to serve Him, and to keep yourselves pure and undefiled in the midst of a world-wide apostasy and falling away?

It is very easy, at times, to profess to be a Christian when

you are in the proper environment; when you are in your own home, cared for by loving parents; when you gather around the family altar and take part in the worship of God!

It was comparatively easy to serve God in ZION at Jerusalem!

What, however, shall be the purpose of your life when you are taken away from ZION into Babylon—when you have your name changed and the king's dainties are set before you; when you face the awful condition of impurity prevailing in the world, and see the frivolities of these great cities?

Can you walk through these terrible conditions and still purpose in your heart that you will not be defiled thereby?

It seems, sometimes, that in order to have success in life, you must do as the world says; for the devil even came to Jesus the Christ and said: "If you will fall down and worship me, I will give you all the kingdoms of this world."

He claims the kingdoms of this world! He claims to own them and we know that he owns and controls the institutions of this world.

He is the author of all these horrible conditions that have contaminated humanity; and such institutions as the saloon, the brewery, the distillery, the tobacco shops, the theaters, the dance-halls, the pool-rooms, and many others that I might mention, are the direct result of Satan's work for the purpose of destroying and defiling humanity.

Zion Raising a Generation to Withstand all Evil

Is it possible for us in ZION to raise a generation that shall be able to withstand these conditions? It IS POSSIBLE, if the parents will do their duty!

It is possible, if our young people and children will let the purposes of God enter into their minds and hearts through the Spirit's power, and if they will be "born again" and regenerated, and seek their Creator in the days of their youth!

Daniel said to the eunuch: "Prove us now ten days, and you will see that God will favor us. Give us pulse to eat—the plain food. We will have nothing to do with these defilements offered to us! Let us have plain food, and God will prosper us and bless us."

We find that when the ten days had passed, the Hebrew children were fairer and fatter than all the other youths who ate the portion of the king's meat.

We see the favor of God resting upon Daniel and his three companions; and they were prospered, and were able to pass their examinations.

They were able to obtain knowledge. They were able to make progress in their learning and in their education.

God will do the same for our young people in ZION!

God will give them everything that is right!

God will make it possible for them to obtain the best that He has for them, by giving them strong bodies, clear minds, and spirits filled with the fear of God, so that they will be able to make progress and advance in this world, and in the world to come!

Daniel Through Divine Wisdom Interprets the King's Dream

The next wonderful test that came to Daniel was to unfold secret things.

The great king, Nebuchadnezzar, had a dream, and this dream troubled him. He was unable to recall it. He called all the astrologers and the wise men and the magicians of his realm, and told them to declare to him his dream, and the interpretation thereof. They demanded that he tell them the dream, and then they would interpret it; but he said that they must tell the dream, as well as the interpretation, or else he could not tell whether they had given the right interpretation.

They declared that there was no one in this world who would be able to do such a thing, "except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh."

What did Daniel do?

He went with his companions, and they brought their requests before Jehovah; and God revealed to Daniel the dream of the great king, Nebuchadnezzar, and also the interpretation thereof.

When they determined to slay Daniel and his companions, together with the other wise men and astrologers, Daniel found an entrance before the king, and declared to him the dream of the great image—that he, the king, was the head of gold, and that the breast and arms of silver, the belly and the thighs of

brass, the legs of iron, and the feet part of iron and part of clay, set forth the destiny of the coming empires—their final overthrow, and the final conquest of THE KINGDOM OF GOD throughout all the earth, and over all the dominions of mankind.

I want to impress upon you this afternoon the necessity of studying this book of Daniel, which shows the wonderful triumph that God brought to His Name and cause and Kingdom in far-away Babylon, where the people were given up to idolatry and were serving, as it were, the foes of Jehovah.

God had reserved there a little remnant who did not surrender to the conditions of the empire as they existed in that day, but whose hearts were bound up in the upbuilding and establishing of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Daniel interpreted that wonderful dream, which set forth to Nebuchadnezzar that he, as the great king of the Babylonian empire, represented the head of gold; that following the downfall of the Babylonian empire, an inferior empire would be set up; and that then would come one still more inferior, until the fourth empire was reached—Rome, the empire that was symbolized by the iron legs of the image, and which had, by this time, increased in strength.

At a later period, however, it was divided into two empires—the Greek and the Roman; and still farther on, it was subdivided into ten empires, which have continued to exist, until today we find nothing but a mass of divisions and ruin and desolation among the empires and the monarchies and the governments of this world.

Zion Has no Time or Talents to Waste in Building up Babylon

The question that I want to ask this afternoon is: Does God expect us to use our talents for a cause that is going to be defeated and overthrown?

Shall we spend our time and strength for the upbuilding of governments that are created by the genius of man, where God is left out, or shall we give ourselves to the establishment of that kingdom represented by the stone, of which Daniel speaks, "cut out of the mountain without hands," which smote the image and broke it to pieces?

I say, this afternoon, that ZION has been raised up of God in order to be able to crush the powers of this world and to set God's people free from bondage—the bondage of Babylon.

God is raising up in ZION a nation,—a people, a royal generation, a holy nation, a peculiar people—that shall show forth the praises of Him Who has called us out of darkness into His marvellous light.

There is just one thing for us to do in ZION, and that is to prepare for the coming of the King; to look forward to His coming, when He shall rule and reign, and shall overthrow the governments of this world and establish THE KINGDOM OF GOD, from the river to the ends of the earth.

I praise the Name of Almighty God that He is able to show to His servants what shall be the final destiny of His cause, even though it may, for the time being, be defeated.

Daniel and his companions knew in their hearts that although Israel had become apostate and had fallen away, they themselves were not going to fall away; but they were determined to look forward to the establishment of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

King Nebuchadnezzar determined to exalt himself by making a golden image in the plain of Dura. This image was to be ninety feet high—so high that it could be seen for a distance of fifteen or twenty miles—and nine feet broad.

After having expended a vast fortune on this golden image, he called together all the presidents and the secretaries and the sheriffs and the executives, and told them that when the signal was given, they must fall down before this image and worship it.

At the signal, the multitudes fell down and worshiped before the image—but there were three lads who refused to worship—Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego—who had been brought with Daniel from Jerusalem, and were receiving training in the king's palace.

The Three Hebrew Children Refuse to Worship the Golden Image

Why should these three persons be picked out?

Why should that bother the king?

All his sheriffs and presidents and princes and secretaries and the people had complied with his command, and the three poor exiles from Jerusalem were the only ones who failed to fall down before the image.

Why should these three have bothered him?

He could have overlooked them and said, "Well, the world is with me! Why should I care about these Hebrews—these despised exiles that are in bondage to me?"

Wherever a ZION man is to be found, in whatever city or town, he is always singled out because he will not bow down to the golden image—because he will not bow the knee to the world, the flesh, and the devil! He will not go into a saloon; he will not use tobacco; he will not profane the Name of God; he will not break the Sabbath Day; he will not eat the filthy swine's flesh, which God has forbidden for food; he will not do this and he will not do that.

If there is only one ZION man in a city, the devil will find it out; and he will leave nothing unturned until he has brought to bear on this man every persecution and every opposition, in order to test him out.

He tested these three youths.

The king demanded that they be given another chance to worship the image, and then told them that if they would not obey, they would be thrown into the furnace of fire.

Then all the world looked on to see whether these three Hebrews would bow down or not.

They said to the king: "We are not concerned about ourselves. We will commit ourselves to God. He is able to deliver us from the fiery furnace, and He *will* deliver us; but if He does not, even then we will not bow down and worship the golden image. We will be true to our God, even in Babylon! We were true in Jerusalem, and we will be true here, even if it costs us our lives."

They were thrown into the furnace of fire, and the flames, which were so hot that the men who cast them in were devoured, kindled around them; and it seemed as if they must be burned.

When the king looked into the furnace to see what had become of the three who refused to bow down to the golden image, he saw them walking in the midst of the flames; and with them was another Person Who looked like the Son of God.

My brothers and sisters, does it not pay to be true to our God, no matter what may come—whether opposition and persecution come, or whether trials and testings come?

Does it not pay to trust God and be true to His Word, to His cause, and to His KINGDOM, even if it costs you your life?

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream of a Stump Portrays His Downfall

We find that Nebuchadnezzar had another dream, or vision. He saw a great tree, with lofty branches that reached out to the ends of the earth, and the leaves of the tree were for meat for all nations.

Then a holy watcher came and cut the tree down, and left nothing but the stump of it in the earth; and later on the stump revived, and grew again.

The king was troubled by this vision, and the wise men and the magicians were not able to find the solution. Finally, Daniel was called, and he revealed to Nebuchadnezzar the meaning of his vision. He told him that he had exalted himself, and failed to acknowledge that God had given to him his kingdom, and that it would be necessary for one of the holy watchers to come down and take away from him his reasoning powers for seven years, during which time he would have to abide among the wild beasts of the field and eat grass, as they did.

Then Daniel told him that when he acknowledged God, his reason would be restored, and God would bring back to him the glory and the majesty of his kingdom.

We find that this dream came true, because Nebuchadnezzar exalted himself and said, "Is not this the great Babylon that I have built? This great city, with all its glory,—is it not mine?" And at that time his reason departed from him; and he went out an insane man, to live among the wild beasts of the field for seven years. He was forsaken of mankind, and left to himself until he acknowledged God and humbled himself before Him.

After the seven years had transpired, we find that King Nebuchadnezzar humbled himself, and finally acknowledged the Great God Whom he had fought for so many years—acknowledged Him as supreme over all the gods of Babylon, and over all mankind.

Then he made a decree that all people should worship the God of Daniel.

I say that as God was able to bring triumph to His cause in far-away Babylon, after it had been forsaken by His people, so today, in the midst of an unfaithful church, where the people are

concerned about the things of this world and its pleasures and interests, and are asking the question, "What shall we eat and what shall we drink, and wherewithal shall we be clothed?" and are concerned about houses and property, silver and gold,—in the midst of this condition, God has raised up a people who shall maintain that God must be acknowledged over all, and that our worship must go out to Him, and that we must maintain His cause in the midst of the awful apostasy that exists around us.

Daniel Survives the Crash of Babylon's Destruction

The next scene that is portrayed is in connection with the life of Belshazzar, the grandson of Nebuchadnezzar. Belshazzar had failed to acknowledge God during his life, notwithstanding the fact that Nebuchadnezzar, his grandfather, had given a world-wide decree that God must be acknowledged. He took the vessels that had been brought from the holy sanctuary in Jerusalem, and used them in a great feast of gluttony.

During this feast, the handwriting upon the wall appeared—and these were the words that were written: "MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN."

It was impossible for him to read the writing, and it was impossible for those whom he had called to reveal the secret.

Then he was compelled to call in Daniel, the Hebrew captive, again. This time, however, he was no longer a youth, but a man who had reached the age of eighty-five or ninety.

In his old age, after having spent his life to maintain God's cause in Babylon, he is here, as the aged servant of God, to reveal what the hand had written upon the wall at Belshazzar's feast.

He revealed and unfolded to Belshazzar that he and his kingdom had been weighed in the balances and found wanting; and, because of that, that his kingdom would be taken from him and given to another.

That very night, Darius, the king of the Medes and Persians, after having sought in vain for two years to overthrow the great city of Babylon and break down its bulwarks, made an opening for his army to enter in under the walls of the city of Babylon by diverting the river into another channel; and they entered the king's palace and slew Belshazzar, and took away the kingdom from him.

Even though Belshazzar went down, and though the Babylonian empire perished and the kingdom of the Medes and Persians was established, Daniel did not go down with the crash, but he prospered, the Word of God says, in the reign of Cyrus.

Oh, what a wonderful testimony it is to a life of faithfulness in the midst of world-wide apostasy!

Though the crash comes, and everything goes down, ZION will not go down, for ZION partakes of the nature of the eternal KINGDOM OF GOD.

Though the cities of the nations fall—and they are falling today by the hands of wicked rulers and wicked men, who are slaughtering each other by the millions—ZION shall endure, because His Word says that ZION shall be established.

"When the Lord shall build up ZION, He shall appear in His glory."—Psalm 102:16.

I will mention one more scene which comes before us in the study of this wonderful book of Daniel.

Daniel Prays with his Windows Open Toward Jerusalem

A decree was made by Darius, at the instigation of the one hundred and twenty princes and two presidents, that no one was to make a request of any god or man, save Darius, for thirty days; and if they disobeyed, they would be thrown into the lions' den.

This decree was made for a special purpose—for the purpose of capturing just one man who had failed to fall into the ways of the world, the flesh, and the devil. It was made for the purpose of capturing a man of faith, a man of prayer,—a man who believed in his God, a man against whose life no fault could be found, a man who had lived the life of faithfulness. After having reached the age of eighty-five or ninety, the devil was seeking to destroy him and to blot him off the face of the earth.

Daniel knew of the decree.

He went up to his room and, kneeling down with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he prayed, so that the world could hear and know that he believed in his God; that he believed in the cause that had been defeated—in the cause of the captive exiles; that ZION again would be restored and the sanctuary restored; and that the exiles would return, and God's cause and

KINGDOM would triumph in Jerusalem, notwithstanding all the great glory of Babylon and the empires of the east.

He knelt down, I say, and prayed with his windows open toward Jerusalem.

What a wonderful testimony that was—to see this man, an exile, carrying out the words of the Psalmist:

By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion.

We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof. For there they who carried us away captive required of us a song; and they who wasted us required of us mirth, saying, Sing us one of the songs of Zion.

How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land? If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning.

If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.—Psalm 137:1-6.

Here, far away in Babylon, Daniel, the aged servant of God, continued to pray and to sing and to glorify his God, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, saying to the world: "You may think that you have destroyed God's cause, but I am praying for His cause to be maintained; and I know that it shall be maintained. The sanctuary that has been brought low shall be restored, and the Name of Jehovah shall again be exalted throughout all the earth."

Daniel's Wonderful Deliverance from the Lions' Den

A report was made to the king, and he sought for a whole day to deliver Daniel; but the counsellors said to the king: "It is impossible for you to change or alter the decree that has been made. Therefore, Daniel must be thrown into the lion's den."

He was thrown into the den of lions, and the seal was put on a stone at the mouth of the den. But when the morning came and the king went to see whether God's servant was still alive, he asked Daniel: "Is thy God, Whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?" And Daniel was able to send forth his testimony to the king that God had shut the mouths of the wild beasts.

No matter what conditions God's people face; no matter what their surroundings are, if they trust in God, He will deliver His people and maintain their cause.

I say that the same is true of ZION today!

Some people have thought that if they came to ZION CITY, all their trials and troubles would end. They had their trials when they had to live among ungodly neighbors in ungodly surroundings, where the devil had supreme control over the people and over the institutions that existed around them, and they thought that when they came to ZION CITY their trials would be over, and that they would be able to enjoy themselves without any further afflictions or persecutions. But they have found that God saw that it was necessary for His people to be tried even in ZION CITY.

When the devil made his decree that the people in ZION CITY must be vaccinated, in order to retain their positions—in order to earn their daily bread, there were Daniels in the midst of ZION who refused to bow to the decree—who refused to bow to the golden image; who refused to do what the devil has persuaded multitudes to do. They were ready to give up all, in order to maintain their faith in God.

It would seem as though, when they gave up all, and when they were compelled to face the world without a dollar, they would be forsaken by God, but as God took care of His servants in the fiery furnace; as He took care of His servant in the lions' den, He has taken care of every one of His true people in ZION, no matter what the persecutions have been.

The Testimony of Zion a Blessing to Humanity

My prayer this afternoon is, that as God has done so much for His people, no one shall falter and no one shall faint, but that we shall all be more earnest and more determined to be true witnesses, and realize that "the people who do know their God shall be strong and do exploits;" and that "they who be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they who turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever."

If you desire the testimony of ZION to go around the world, so that the world may know that there is a people that stands by God's Word, and by His promises and commandments, it will be

necessary for you to be faithful, as were the three Hebrew children and Daniel, no matter what the test is.

It is necessary for you to be FAITHFUL—as the Word of God says, "FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH."

"—Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."—Revelation 2:10.

Before it is possible for you to "do exploits;" before it is possible for you to do aught for God and His KINGDOM, it is necessary for you to be right, and to live in accordance with His commandments and with His Word.

Therefore, the first thing that is necessary in ZION is to establish true CHRISTIAN CHARACTER in the minds and hearts of our children, youths and maidens, and all the people, through the preaching of the everlasting Gospel of THE KINGDOM, thus making it possible for this people to do mighty exploits for God.

"One shall chase a thousand, and two shall put ten thousand to flight!"—Deuteronomy 32:30.

While the church today is afraid to attack the great institutions that the devil has raised up, and while the church-members are bowing down to worship the kingdoms of this world, ZION will stand for God and His Word, because God has made us strong; and we who are strong shall "DO EXPLOITS," and if we are wise, we shall "shine as the brightness of the firmament," and, by turning many to righteousness, "as the stars for ever and ever." Amen.

Then followed the singing of the Hymn—"DO YOU SEE THE HEBREW CAPTIVE KNEELING?"—

Do you see the Hebrew captive kneeling,
At morning, noon, and night to pray?
In his chamber he remembers Zion,
Though in exile for away.

CHORUS.—

Are your windows open toward Jerusalem,
Though as captives here a "little while" we stay?
For the coming of the King in His glory,
Are you watching day by day?

Do not fear to tread the fiery furnace,
Nor shrink the lion's den to share;
For the God of Daniel will deliver,
He will send His angel there.

Children of the living God, take courage;
Your great deliverance sweetly sing:
Set your faces toward the hill of Zion,
Thence to hail our coming King!

The Choir sang in RECESSIONAL—"SAVIOR, AGAIN TO THY DEAR NAME WE RAISE."

Savior, again to Thy Dear Name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
We stand to bless Thee ere our worship cease;
Then, lowly kneeling, wait Thy word of peace.

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day;
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy Name.

Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light;
From harm and danger keep Thy children free,
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,
Our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife;
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

BENEDICTION by APOSTLE DARMS:

Beloved, abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame, unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He Who calleth you, Who also will do it. May the grace of our Lord Jesus the Christ, the love of God, and the sweet fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with each one of you, and all of God's children everywhere. Amen.

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Think on These Things!

"WHATSOEVER THINGS ARE

{ True
Honest
Just
Pure
Lovely
of good report—
if there be any virtue
if there be any praise—

THINK ON THESE THINGS." (Philippians 4:8)

1. "TRUST IN THE LORD" { and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed."
2. "DELIGHT THYSELF ALSO IN THE LORD" { and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart."
3. "COMMIT THY WAY UNTO THE LORD" { trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass."
4. "REST IN THE LORD" { and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass."
(Psalm 37, verses 3, 4, 5, 7)

THE COVENANT OF DIVINE HEALING

THERE ARE TWO PARTIES TO THIS COVENANT.

You are the Party of the First Part; God is the Party of the Second Part. You, as the Party of the First Part, agree to do the following:

- (1) To diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God.
- (2) To do that which is right in His sight.
- (3) To give ear to His commandments.
- (4) To keep all His statutes.

God, as the Party of the Second part—after you, as the Party of the First Part, have fulfilled your part of the covenant—agrees to do His part, namely, that He will protect you and you will never be sick. (Exodus 15:26)

DIVINE HEALING IN THE ATONEMENT

"Surely He hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows." (Isaiah 53:4)

"When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all that were sick:

"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." (Matthew 8:16, 17)

DO YOU BELIEVE IT?

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings.

"Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

"And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.

"And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a

delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts." (Malachi 3:8-12)

STEALING THE TITHES

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Malachi 3:10)

"But seek ye first THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33)

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38)

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

"The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." (Proverbs 11:24, 25)

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

"But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:19, 20, 21)

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

(Galatians 5:22, 33)

{ Love
Joy
Peace
Longsuffering
Gentleness
Goodness
Faith
Meekness
Temperance

THE CHRISTIAN GRACES

(II Peter 1:5, 6)

{ Faith
Virtue
Knowledge
Temperance
Patience
Godliness
Brotherly Kindness
Charity

THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

(I Corinthians 12:8-10)

{ Wisdom
Knowledge
Faith
Healing
Miracles
Prophecy
Discerning of Spirits
Divers kinds of Tongues
Interpretation of Tongues

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Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple. The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH

9:30 A. M.

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

Miscellaneous Musical Program.

Teaching of the Word of God on the Resurrection

MAN lieth down, and riseth not: till the Heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.

O that Thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that Thou wouldest keep me secret, until Thy wrath be past, that Thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

Thou shalt call, and I will answer Thee: Thou wilt have a desire to the work of Thine hands.—Job 14:12-15.

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.—Job 19:25-27.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

For Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption.—Psalm 16:9.

He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces.—Isaiah 25:8.

Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for Thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.—Isaiah 26:19.

Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever.

Go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days.—Daniel 12:2, 3, 13.

I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction.—Hosea 13:14.

As the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them: even so the Son quickeneth whom He will.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in graves shall hear His voice,

And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.—John 5:21, 25, 28, 29.

This is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which He hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

And this is the will of Him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

No man can come to Me, except the Father which hath sent me draw Him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath Eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.—John 6:39, 40, 44, 54.

Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto Him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

Jesus said unto her, I am the Resurrection and the Life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead yet shall he live.—John 11:23.

Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad: moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope: Because Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption.

Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; Thou shalt make me full of joy with Thy countenance.

Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on His throne;

He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.—Acts 2:26-31.

If Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.

For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the Sons of God.

Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

Not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.—Romans 8:10, 11, 19, 21, 22.

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:

If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.

For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

Now He that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, Who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.—II Corinthians 5:1-5.

That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death;

If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.—Philippians 3:10, 11, 21.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first.—I Thessalonians 4:14, 16.

I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.—Revelation 1:18.

And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.—Revelation 20:4, 5, 6, 13.

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

(Continued from page 99.)

Written Testimony of Mr. John A. Marshall.

2707 Ezra Ave., Zion City, Illinois,
April 1, 1916.

Rev. Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:
Peace to thee!

I want to add my own testimony to that of my wife. All that she has said of us both is true, only she could not tell the half.

At that time, I was a Christian man working in the different missions, doing all I could for humanity, and living up to the light I had; but, when Jesus the Healer came into our home, I fought Him, which caused my wife much sorrow, and hindered her healing.

God knows I suffered for it. Drink had been the cause of my downfall all my life. I was an easy prey for the Devil; and, for my sin, I was soon led into complete darkness.

My wife passed through much; but I do thank God that He gave her Grace and Divine Courage to stand like a rock; for, by so doing, not only did she get her healing, but I was brought back to God, saved from a drunkard's grave, and healed of a paralyzed arm. God also took away the appetite for drink; and now I would no more think of taking a drink of anything intoxicating, than I would of putting my hand into the fire.

One day, after I had been drinking, I came home to my wife with my arm hanging lifeless—it was paralyzed. I told her what had happened; and we knelt right down and prayed. I saw myself as I was in God's sight—a sinner—"The mills of God grind slowly, but they grind exceedingly small," and to myself I looked very small. I then sought God for healing and forgiveness; came into Zion, and in a short time I was healed. After that, we came to Zion City; which surely is the ark for God's people in the last days.

The first time, after many years, that I took a drink, was one morning after getting off the Cleveland boat at Detroit. I met a Methodist brother, who had also been a passenger; and, as we passed

a saloon, he proposed that we go in, and get something to warm us up. We went in, and both took a whisky. He went on his way; but that one drink aroused all the old appetite for drink in me.

Oh, I do thank God for Zion; and that there is power in Zion to cast out the Demon of Drink, and to set the poor people free. My wife and I have consecrated ourselves and all we have, to God, and want to be used of God to carry this blessed Gospel of Light to others. We both love Zion more than anything else on this earth; for, in Zion we have both found deliverance for spirit, soul and body; and, had it not been for Zion, neither of us would be alive today.

We both pray earnestly that God will bless your earnest, faithful efforts, and help and strengthen you in every way, for the great work He has given you to do in Zion.

May God bless my testimony.

Faithfully yours in Jesus' name.

(Signed) John A. Marshall.

Confirmatory Testimony of Mrs. Lucy W. Melin.

Zion Home, Zion City, Illinois,
April 1, 1916

Rev. Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:
Peace to thee!

I want to confirm the testimony of Mrs. Delia Marshall, as we were both members of Zion in Cleveland, Ohio.

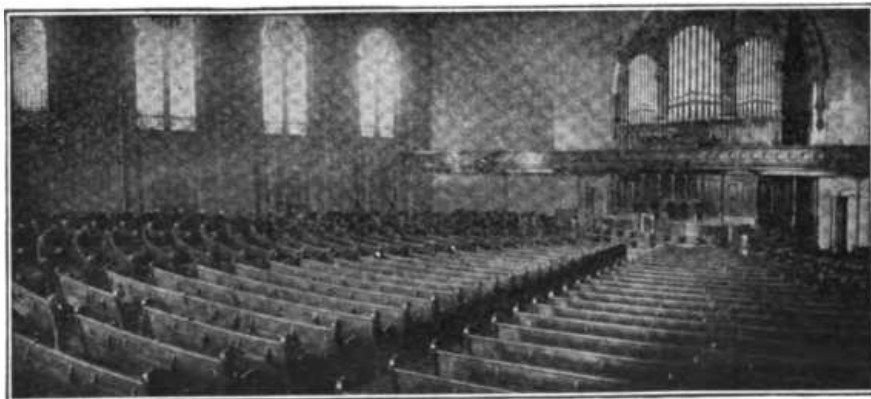
I saw her go, time after time, into the prayer room to be prayed for; and I said, "Does that poor woman ever expect to get healing? To me, it looked like a hopeless case. I do thank and praise God for what He has done for Sister Marshall.

(Signed) Mrs. Lucy W. Melin.



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Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.
MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 47, Page 267.)

FIRST—That we recognize the infallible inspiration and sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.
SECOND—That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD—That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH—That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

Address

Date

Please be Sure to fill in

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion,
 Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

I hereby make application to be received as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and declare my agreement with the Basis of Fellowship agreed upon at a Conference held February 5th, 1896, as set forth in Circular Letter of February 7, 1896.

What is your full name?

Where is your residence?

Please give full postoffice address

What is your age last birthday? Date and year of birth

Are you married, unmarried, widowed, or divorced? How many children have you living?

What is your father's full Christian name?

What is your mother's full Christian name?

What is the full name of husband or wife?

What is your occupation, profession, or trade?

What nationality are you? Where were you born?

What language or languages do you speak?

How long have you lived in America (or the country where you are now living?)

When and where were you converted to God?

Are you conscious that you are saved through faith in Jesus?

When and where were you baptized by TRIUNE Immersion?

By whom were you baptized?

With what religious organization were you formerly connected?

Recommended by

Signature of Applicant.

Write very plainly

REMARKS

Extra Copies of this Form will be sent to intending members on application to the General Recorder of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, Zion City, Lake County, Illinois, U. S. A.

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

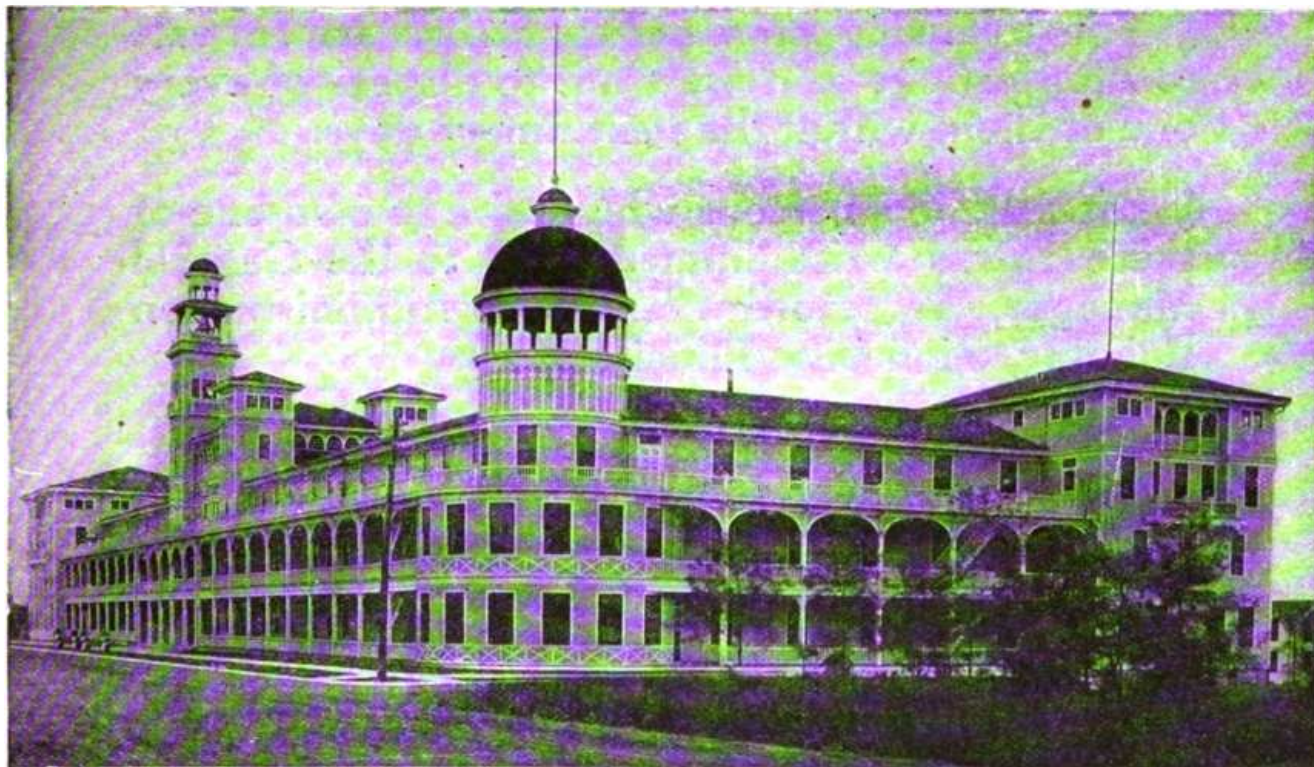
ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	40 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 4	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 5	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 6	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 7	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 8	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 9	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 10	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 11	20 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 12	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 13	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 14	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 15	33.6 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 16	29 acres	185 per acre
Total	- 859.6 acres	

NOW IS THE TIME TO SECURE A HOME IN ZION CITY

WE OFFER FOR SALE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

No. 1.	4-room house, good well, near school,	\$ 850.00
No. 2.	8-room house, good basement, electric lights, nicely located	2,250.00
No. 3.	5-room house, good basement, electric lights, sewer connections, centrally located,	3,100.00
No. 4.	6-room house, good basement, electric lights, deep well, corner lot, near Tabernacle,	1,350.00
No. 5.	10-room house, fine location, modern, hot water system,	4,700.00
No. 6.	6-room house, basement, electric lights, nicely located,	1,600.00
No. 7.	6-room house, practically new, good basement, electric lights, well, cistern,	2,500.00
No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be' glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

SPECIAL NOTICE

It being our desire to encourage members and friends of ZION to take a quantity of the current issue of LEAVES OF HEALING regularly each week, we herewith make the following announcement:

Persons living in the United States who purchase them for Seventy work and who pay for them entirely out of their own pocket, can have a quantity of not less than five copies mailed to them regularly each week at three cents per copy. Persons living in Canada can get them at four cents per copy, and in foreign countries at five cents per copy, the difference being the amount of postage required in mailing them. Anyone taking a quantity in this way must pay for them at regular intervals of at least four weeks in advance. For instance, anyone desiring ten copies per week can remit One Dollar and Twenty Cents regularly every four weeks, and persons desiring fifteen copies, One Dollar and Eighty Cents every four weeks, etc.

This rate to private individuals who are bearing the expense alone, and who desire to do Seventy work in their respective neighborhoods, is even lower than we are allowing to the regular branches, and very much below the cost of publication. But it is our intention to do everything within our power to get the LEAVES OF HEALING spread broadcast throughout the country.

This arrangement furnishes an excellent opportunity for isolated members of ZION, living here and there throughout the world, to do active and progressive Seventy work in their vicinities. They can perhaps sell enough papers each week at five cents per copy to reimburse them for their expense, and they can mail out the others to friends or dispose of them as they feel led.

We have people on our list at present who are taking as high as twenty-five copies per week, others fifteen copies, some ten copies, some six, and some five copies per week. We desire to greatly increase this quantity list, and we trust that members and friends of Zion will respond heartily in this matter.

ZION CITY PEOPLE can also subscribe for five or more copies per week in the same way. This arrangement will enable people to spread the LEAVES OF HEALING at a very reasonable cost by mailing them out.

Any one taking advantage of this very special rate, however, is expected to keep it up permanently month after month, if they reasonably can. One never knows what just one copy of LEAVES OF HEALING may accomplish.

SHILOH TABERNACLE

Is the Center of Interest in Zion City

THE PRINCIPAL SERVICE is held every Lord's Day beginning with the Processional by the Zion White-Robed Choirs, promptly at 2:30 p. m.

All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

For complete information, from week to week, concerning the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING.

ZION TRANSPORTATION BUREAU

J. H. PAXTON, Commercial Agent

Ocean Steamship Tickets and Railroad Tickets in Connection
Electric Line Tickets Freight Shipments American Express
Office Phone 42

ZION IN MINNEAPOLIS

Regular Meetings of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion in Minneapolis are held in the

TUTTLE CHURCH BUILDING

Corner Blaisdell Ave. and 27th. Street

Lord's Day Meetings

Bible School - - - - at 2:00 P. M.
PRINCIPAL MEETING - - - - at 3:00 P. M.
Praise and Testimony Meeting - - - at 7:45 P. M.

Divine Healing Meeting

Every Wednesday - - - - at 2:45 P. M.
(Special Teaching and Prayer for the Sick)

Praise Prayer and Testimony Meeting

Every Wednesday - - - - at 8:00 P. M.

Deacon William M. Wigham

3608 Clinton Ave. - - Minneapolis, Minn.
Colfax 5819

ZION IN CINCINNATI

TABERNACLE: 123 West 12th Street
EVANGELIST AUGUST HAMMOCK in charge

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EVERYBODY WELCOME ALL SEATS FREE

EVERY OFFICER, MEMBER and FRIEND
of ZION

Should Subscribe for the

THEOCRAT

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We have a large quantity of old LEAVES OF HEALING on hand, which any one can have free, for mailing out, by simply calling for them at the Administration Building.

Persons living at a distance can have a quantity sent to them by remitting fifty cents, one dollar, or any amount they choose to cover transportation charges.

ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES

(WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA)

ZION BANK

THRIFT

Lay aside a fixed amount of money each pay day and deposit it on a Saving Account.

Keep a strict account of your expenditures.

Three per cent compound interest will help you along and later on you can invest it at a better rate, if you wish.

Begin now.

ZION BANK,
W. Hurd Clendinen,
General Manager.

Administration Building

This Building is Located on Elijah Ave.,
not far from Shiloh Boulevard

ON the first floor, to the left of the hallway, will be found the offices of the general staff of Zion Institutions and Industries. On the right of the hallway are the offices of the LEAVES OF HEALING.

Room 100 is occupied by the Office Supply.

On the second floor will be found the General Overseer's Offices and the offices of the entire Ecclesiastical and LEAVES OF HEALING staff.

BAKING INDUSTRY

Phone 21

MANUFACTURERS OF
A FULL LINE OF

**DEPENDABLE BAKED GOODS
OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY
Try Our PEERLESS SODA
CRACKERS. They are simply
delicious—bulk or package. . . .**

**WEDDING CAKES, BIRTHDAY CAKES ETC.,
given very careful attention.**

BUILDING INDUSTRY

LUMBER

LATH

We Manufacture

Cement Roofing Tiles, Cement Drain Tiles,
Cement Brick, Cement Fence Posts, Etc.

SHINGLES

MILL WORK

Prices and Quality the Best
Estimates Furnished Free of Charge

PROMPT ATTENTION GOOD SERVICE
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

PHONE 240-J

Apron and Handkerchief Factory

When buying a ready-made apron always insist that the merchant show you ZION - MADE, which will be a sure guarantee of quality and finish.

Our styles are distinctive and the "latest out," while the fullness and completeness of our line, especially that prepared for the Holiday trade is already commanding the attention of retailers throughout the whole country.

DENTAL DEPARTMENT

Room No. 216 Administration Building
Zion City, Illinois

Phone No. 20

Residence Phone 118-W

OFFICE SUPPLY

COMPLETE EQUIPMENT FOR YOUR OFFICE

We can furnish you anything you may require for your office. Our goods give satisfaction. Drop us a card and our salesman will call and show you our line.

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OUR MOTTO:

"We Never Disappoint Our Customers"

ZION INSTITUTIONS & INDUSTRIES

(WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA)

DEPARTMENT STORE

Seeing - Hearing - Smelling - Feeling - Tasting - Speaking - 6

Great important factors, or senses, which we think very little about. Yet, to be deprived of anyone of them would be a lamentable disaster, and would spoil our lives.

These six senses are God given powers, not simply to enable us to live—it would be possible to live without one, two, or more of them, but in order that our lives may be enjoyed to the fullest extent, each of these senses when properly trained bring a wealth of pleasure, beside enabling us to discharge our duties.

Who does not appreciate and revel in beautiful scenery? What a delight to visit a flower garden and smell the fragrance of the various odors. If you are not able to enjoy the taste of a good meal after a day's work, there's something wrong with you that needs attention right away. Also the fact that so many people are buying the Zion Pure Candy is a conclusive evidence that many are keenly enjoying the sense of a good taste.

Some are enjoying the good feeling it gives to have on a comfortable, well made, nice quality Suit, made at the Zion Tailoring Department by Zion Labor.

There are many other ways in which feeling is enjoyed. To be able to appreciate and enjoy the power of speech, one only needs to come into contact with some unfortunate person who has been deprived of it, or who never had this power.

The Sense of Hearing is perhaps the source of some of the greatest enjoyments of life. The song of the birds, the rolling of the sea waves along the shore, the innocent chatter of the little children, and not least the musical strains

from an instrument in the hands of a Master. This surely lifts one nearer to God. The wonderful power of harmonious sounds, as they come from the soul of the player, is a pleasure quite indescribable and heavenly—one of God's best gifts to man, but only fully enjoyed by those whose ears are in tune. This sense is dormant and undeveloped in some through lack of training.

We urge upon every parent to cultivate the musical talent in the children wherever it is possible. Come with them to the Music Department and hear selections by the World's greatest Artists on the Diamond Disc Phonograph, or the Player Piano. Find out what instrument your children like best and get them started learning to play for themselves. The Home will be more attractive. Their talents will be developed, and they will be a greater power for good in the world.

Why not have a piano in your home? We should like to talk to you about it, and doubtless some suitable terms can be arranged which will enable your children to begin learning at once. We shall be delighted to meet you. Come and spend half an hour enjoying some good selections anytime you can.

We carry a large stock of the 10c sheet music including the "McKinley," "Century," and "National" lines, also a selection of other good sheet music. All kinds of Instruction Books, and there is nothing in the musical line that we cannot procure for you.

Some second-hand Instruments at bargain prices.

BLACKSMITH SHOP

We repair break-downs, break-ups, and any other old breaks on implements or vehicles; if it can be done, we can do it.

RUBBER TIRES FURNISHED AND APPLIED.

CREAMERY DEPARTMENT

It has been shown that in the City of New York, since Pasteurized milk has been given to the poor by the benevolence of Nathan Strauss, the death-rate for children under five years of age has been reduced over 20 per cent. This philanthropic work is now being imitated with beneficial results in Philadelphia and in fact all over the country.

Zion Milk is Clarified as well as Pasteurized.

FEED DEPARTMENT

Now is the time to think about young chicks.

Start them right, the first two weeks of a chick's life is what counts most. We have the right feeds—Blatchfords milk mash, Red Comb fine chick feed, and meat mash. Fine grit, oyster shells and charcoal. Steel cut oats.

Agents for Arcady Dairy Feed.

CANDY FACTORY

We are demonstrating the advantages of absolute purity and cleanliness in the Candy Business. People appreciate and enjoy that which they can depend upon, knowing that no hurtful colorings, or flavorings enter our products. They are a wholesome nutritious food as well as a luxury. We are glad to mail any quantity in Fancy Boxes, or in bulk.

Price List on application.

FUEL DEPARTMENT

Now is the time to put in your Winter's supply of Hard Coal.

Price will go up 10c per ton the first of each month until it reaches the highest price September 1st.

Call us up for Summer prices on all kinds of Soft and Hard Coal and Coke.

We furnish Sand, Gravel and Cinders.

Just received a car load of Barn Yard Manure.

When you call us up give us your complaints as well as your compliments. Zion Fuel Dept. Phone 38.

He sendeth His word

and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD
EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

VOLUME XXXVIII. No. 6

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, MAY 6, 1916

Price Five Cents

"THEY SHALL ASK THE WAY TO ZION"

APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

"What then shall one answer the messengers of the nation? That Jehovah hath founded Zion, and in her shall the afflicted of His people take refuge.—Isaiah 14:32

ZION is the most striking and remarkable event of the entire Gospel age, since Apostolic days.

Many remarkable prophecies are contained in the Word of God, regarding the latter-day ZION.

THE LATTER-DAY ZION TO ESTABLISH THE RULE OF GOD

These prophecies set forth, in a very clear and positive way, that the rule of God is to be established in the earth, in connection with the glorious reign of the promised Messiah.

It is strange, indeed, how the people of God in past ages could have failed to see and understand these Old Testament prophecies concerning ZION! They well knew that they had not been fulfilled in the restoration under Nehemiah and Ezra; neither had they been fulfilled in the glorious ministry of Jesus the Christ.

Only one way seemed open for them to realize the fulfillment of the remarkable prophecies given in the Old Testament concerning ZION, and that was to apply them to events which transpired in connection with the founding, growth and development of the Christian Church.

THE PROPHECIES REGARDING THE LATTER-DAY ZION DO NOT APPLY TO THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

No one, however, who realizes the actual condition prevailing in the Church today throughout the world, will contend for one moment that it presents the ZION foretold by the prophets in the Old Testament. If the Christian Church represents the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies regarding ZION, then ZION has been in existence for many centuries, and there is no need for a latter-day ZION.

Eventually—



Why Not Now?

This position is contrary to the teaching of the Word of God; for the Scriptures make it plain that the ZION foretold by the Old Testament prophecies has no connection with the institution of the New Testament Church.

THE ZION OF PROPHECY TO APPEAR AT THE CLOSE OF THE GOSPEL AGE

This time is set forth by prophecies contained in the New Testament as a time of falling away, as a time of general apostasy, as a time of lukewarmness in the Church itself. It is at this time when the Church, founded by Jesus the Christ, endowed with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, with its glorious record of the apostolic age—this same church shall at last end in dismal failure.

Jesus the Christ will no longer be acknowledged the Head or the Ruler of the body of the Church. The Christ is represented standing without its portals, knocking at the door; not for the purpose of finding admission to the Church as an organization, but only to find admission in the hearts of individuals, who will accept His loving invitation for the purpose of obtaining salvation, healing and cleansing for spirit, soul and body.

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ZION'S MISSION TO CALL THE SAINTS OF GOD OUT OF A WORLD-WIDE BABYLON

At the time of this world-wide apostasy there can be no question, therefore, as to the importance and prominence which must be given to the founding of ZION.

The world has made wonderful progress along many lines. Great things have been accomplished through the genius of men in the founding of government, in the building of cities, in the establishing of gigantic enterprises in the agricultural, industrial

and commercial world. Great institutions of learning have been established in many important centers. Wonderful discoveries and inventions have been made which have transformed the entire world.

THE CHILDREN OF THE KINGDOM TO BE MORE ENTERPRISING THAN THE WORLD

Among the wonderful things to be observed in the swift progress for the enlightenment of mankind is the printing press, which has been used more than any other agency for the dissemination of knowledge. Perhaps the most remarkable use that is made of the printing press in modern times, is that made by the commercial and industrial world.

Any reader of newspapers and magazines must know that the most prominent part of these publications is not the reading matter proper; but the vast amount of advertisements, upon which fortunes are spent in order to create a demand for the many products which are placed upon the market. Advertising has been reduced to a science, and many men of great ability are devoting their entire time and talents for the purpose of making advertisements striking and telling to the eye, at the first glance.

The inventive genius of men has found other channels besides magazines and periodicals through which to advertise. The street cars and the trains have been invaded with advertising matter and throughout the land we find the highways of travel dotted with billboards of every description, advertising products of many various kinds.

Among the most striking advertisements which the writer of this article has seen in different parts of the country, reaching even to the Pacific Ocean, is one advertising in a striking way, with very few words, a certain brand of flour which they consider the highest and best product of its kind upon the market. Entire pages of magazines have been appropriated by the manufacturers of this flour, having on them only the few words which for years have been advertised on large billboards, the simple words at the top of the page: "Eventually," in the center of a large circle: "— Flour," at the bottom of the page: "Why not now?" So that at the first glance, the reader would remember everything on the entire page.

We do not intend for the children of this world to be wiser in their generation than the children of light. If the world has products which they believe demand universal attention and acceptance, we believe that much more should the ideals of ZION demand universal attention.

THE ZION OF PROPHECY AT LAST THE ZION OF HISTORY

We believe that ZION is the highest and best expression of THE KINGDOM OF GOD which the world has ever known or seen. We do not claim, by any means, to have reached a condition of perfection.

Our leader in ZION and the people are striving and working to make ZION more than ever "a glorious Church not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing."

ZION holds the key to the solution of the many problems which are perplexing mankind. ZION has the issues of the day.

We, therefore, to present ZION, make use of this one particular advertisement in the diagram found on the first page of this issue. We declare that many of the prophecies regarding the latter-day ZION have been fulfilled. We, therefore, make the declaration that the ZION of prophecy at last has become the latter-day ZION of history.

Eventually ZION!

ZION is here!

ZION has come upon the scene!

ZION is blowing her trumpet!

ZION is declaring the truth of God, the covenants of God, the commandments of God, the promises and the blessings of God.

Eventually ZION!

After the failure of many generations to establish THE KINGDOM OF GOD, ZION is here, declaring the rule and the reign of God upon the earth.

Eventually, after the Christian Church has failed in her mission to proclaim the Gospel of THE KINGDOM; has refused to declare the divine inspiration and inerrancy of the Holy Scriptures; has rejected the unchangeable covenant of Divine healing; has made light of the promise of the Coming of the Lord, ZION has come upon the scene to restore all of these wonderful truths,

commandments, covenants, promises, and blessings promised to God's people in His Word.

Eventually, after ages of ignorance, rejection and rebellion against God and His Word, ZION has appeared upon the scene to follow to the very letter, the instruction given for discipleship in THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Eventually, ZION has been born for the purpose of bringing into existence a people, a movement, a nation, which shall be subject in all things to the rule of God in the heart of the individual, in the home and family, in the church, in the school, in business and in politics.

ZION is not here by chance!

ZION is not the result of man's creative genius.

ZION is of God, of God's own divine planning and planting.

"What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the afflicted of his people shall trust in it."—Isaiah 14:32.

"For the Lord hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation."—Psalm 132:13.

"Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined."—Psalm 50:2.

"The Lord is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people."—Psalm 99:2.

"THE SET TIME TO FAVOR ZION IS COME"

ZION is here for the purpose of making the needed preparation for the glorious appearing of Jesus the Christ.

"Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

"For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.

"So the heathen shall fear the name of the Lord, and all the kings of the earth thy glory.

"When the Lord shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.

"He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.

"This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the Lord."—Psalm 102:13-18.

While ZION's vision is given in the wonderful prophecies contained in the Word of God, in the far distant past, her ideal comes from the Holy City which shall descend from Heaven to earth, as given in the Book of Revelation by John the Apostle on the island of Patmos:

"And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

"And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God."—Revelation 21:2-3.

"And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

"Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;"—Revelation 21:10, 11.

"And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

"And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a calcedony; the fourth, an emerald; the fifth, sardonyx;

"The sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

"And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

"And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

"And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

"And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

"And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

"And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

"And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."—Revelation 21:18-27.

No more wonderful vision is portrayed in the entire Word of God, than that of the new Heaven and the new earth, the new people and the new Jerusalem, the new temple and the new Paradise, portrayed in the last two chapters of the Bible.

This wonderful vision of the new Heaven and the new earth, will be the final result brought about by Him who says:

"Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

"And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

"I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star."—Revelation 22:7, 12, 13 and 16.

That a definite preparation will be necessary, in order to obtain entrance into this Holy City, can be seen from the plain statement regarding the character of those who are permitted to enter and those who are excluded.

"And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."—Revelation 21:27.

"He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he that is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

"For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie."—Revelation 22:11 and 15.

It remains for each and every one to decide for themselves as to which class they will belong; as to whether Heaven or hell will be their final destiny. God will not tolerate any one to enter into the Heavenly City who is not in perfect accord with the rule of God, and who is not in perfect harmony with the environment of the holy atmosphere prevailing there.

THE ZION OF PROPHECY TO BE ESTABLISHED UPON EARTH NOT IN HEAVEN

The great fundamental mistake which has been made, regarding the final resting place of the saints, has been to connect it with an ethereal somewhere in the Heavens, outside and apart from the earth; whereas, the Word of God makes it perfectly plain that the Holy City will come down from Heaven to earth, and the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord.

"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth."—Matthew 5:5.

A similar mistake has been made regarding ZION, applying it not merely, as we have said in the beginning of this article, to the institution of the Christian Church, but applying it to the Heavenly state of departed saints.

Not one prophecy, regarding ZION, can be so interpreted, not one prophecy can be made to apply to a spiritual, ethereal or Heavenly ZION apart from the earth, but each and every prophecy regarding the latter-day ZION applies to a movement, a people and an institution which must materialize before the heavenly state has been reached, which must be materialized upon the earth and not in Heaven.

ZION, therefore, is a human, as well as a Divine institution. ZION requires the co-operation of men, with God, to establish and extend His KINGDOM.

ZION's message is for the purpose of reaching sin-stricken and disease-smitten humanity with the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD; and through the saving grace in Christ Jesus. ZION's mission is to make fit subjects and citizens of THE KINGDOM, in order to prepare for the coming of the King.

The preparation for the first coming of the Christ could be made and was made by one person—John the Baptist.

But the preparation for the second coming of the Christ, when He is to rule over the nations, cannot be made by one messenger; but by a leader and a people who can lift up the standard before the nations and peoples of the world.

It means to have God rule in the affairs of men upon the earth. It is important to remember that God will require His special messengers, as was foretold by Jesus the Christ regarding Elijah, who shall restore all things.

"And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elijah truly shall first come, and restore all things."—Matthew 17:11.

Not only was the coming of Elijah necessary to restore and to bring into existence a new people and a new nation in conformity with the will of God, which was to be ZION, but it is also necessary that the prophet foretold by Moses and by the Apostle Peter shall consummate this work and bring ZION to the place where it is eventually to come.

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

"And he shall send Jesus the Christ, which before was preached unto you:

"Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the World began.

"For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you and your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

"And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people."—Acts 3:19-23.

"I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him."

"And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him."—Deuteronomy 18:18, 19.

It remains for each and everyone of God's people who have been reached through the message of ZION to decide how soon ZION shall be able to present a higher and more perfect standard and condition of efficiency.

Every prophecy regarding the latter-day ZION must be fulfilled.

"And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away."—Isaiah 35:10.

"O Zion, that bringeth good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringeth good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!"—Isaiah 40:9.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

"Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion."—Isaiah 52:7 and 8.

"Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion."—Jeremiah 3:14.

"For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an outcast, saying, This is Zion whom no man seeketh after."—Jeremiah 30:17.

"For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the Lord our God."—Jeremiah 31:6.

ZION TO BE BUILT UP ONLY BY A SMALL REMNANT

It is not for us to say how large the ingathering is to be, as a result of the witnessing given to the world on the part of ZION's leader and people.

Noah labored for a hundred and twenty years in the building of an ark and as a special messenger to the people of his day and age, without making a single convert.

Of the close of the Gospel age, Christ Himself says:

"When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?"—Luke 18:8.

We are not left without encouragement to believe that a small remnant will be left to build up ZION, because the words of prophecy are clear, in which God says:

"I will take you one of a city and two of a family and I will bring you to Zion."—Jeremiah 3:14.

ZION has never been popular and never will be popular, because she will not compromise with the world, the flesh and the devil. ZION has been raised up for the purpose of witnessing against every iniquity and every evil in high and low places. ZION's mission is to denounce the hypocrisy of atrophied believers who are following after the ways of Balaam.

ZION's mission is to witness against the damnable liquor traffic, against the unspeakable filthy use of tobacco, against the horrible institutions of theaters, and secret fraternities, against the various medical schools, and the use of drugs and remedies of all kinds, against Sabbath breaking and Sunday newspapers, and against the disgusting indulgence in the hog and other unclean animals as food products.

THE UNVEILING OF ZION A WONDERFUL INSPIRATION TO BELIEVERS

Every saint of God should rejoice that the day and the hour at last has arrived for God to unveil and establish ZION. Every saint, no matter by whatever name he may be called, should hear the call of God and cut loose from the apostasy and organization of which he may be a part, and take his stand openly and boldly for God and ZION. Every saint of God should rejoice because of the wonderful miracles which have been wrought by the power of God in answer to prayer for the healing of diseases of many different kinds.

Thirty-seven volumes of LEAVES OF HEALING contain the story of many hundreds of miracles of healing, because the Covenant of Divine Healing has been put into operation in ZION through Jesus the Christ, Who is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Every saint should rejoice in the building of a ZION CITY, where the vile and iniquitous practices of the world are shut out, and where a clean and wholesome atmosphere prevails—an atmosphere of purity, of peace, of righteousness, of love and of fellowship among God's people.

We cannot tell how short or how long the time will be until Christ shall appear in glory. We know that none will be taken up in the rapture with the Christ, and be spared from the terrible tribulation which shall come upon the earth, excepting those who are ready, who have been made ready—who like the wise virgins have filled their vessels with oil and are ready at any time to meet the coming Bridegroom.

It will be too late to make the necessary preparation when the Christ returns.

We ask the question, "Why not now?"

Why not make the needed preparation now?

Why not put away every sin and every evil now?

Why not break away from the world, the flesh and the devil now?

Why not escape from Sodom and Gomorrah now?

Why not come out of Babylon into ZION now?

EVENTUALLY ZION! WHY NOT NOW?

Eventually ZION, and with ZION a ZION City; for a ZION Community must be the outcome of the teaching of ZION. Eventually a ZION City, the only City in the world which protests against the use of liquor, tobacco and swine's flesh.

Eventually a City—ZION City—the only City in the world which rejects the use of drugs and prohibits a resident physician.

Eventually, a City where the devil has not been able to plant the accursed institution of secretism in its various forms.

Eventually, a City where hellish competition cannot exist in business, and where labor unions cannot throttle the wheels of industry.

Eventually, a City where sectarian churches are not needed and not wanted.

Eventually, a City where only one place of worship exists, and where the nine o'clock bell, morning and evening, calls the people to prayer, and where every industry and institution opens its activity with the reading of the Word of God, and the singing of a hymn and the offering of a prayer.

EVENTUALLY, A ZION CITY, THE ONLY ZION CITY IN THE WORLD

Why should you not rejoice?

Many have answered the call, and have taken their stand for God and for ZION, and are in ZION now. They have found a place they long have sought for in THE KINGDOM OF GOD. They have forsaken their fathers and mothers, their brothers and sisters, sons and daughters, houses and lands; and have come to cast in their lot with the people of one mind and one heart in ZION, to establish THE KINGDOM OF GOD upon the earth. Many have come from different parts of this and other lands, bringing with them their families and their possessions, and with them have built the most wonderful City the world has ever seen.

We do not mean by this that ZION City can produce the magnificent structures made of stone and clay, found in other cities; but we do claim that God is establishing homes, schools, and business enterprises in ZION City, where His Word is honored and where Christ is exalted and where brotherly love prevails.

Again, in closing, we ask every reader of the LEAVES OF HEALING who has not cast in his or her lot fully for God and for ZION—Why not now?

If not ZION, what are you waiting for?

If not ZION, what are you expecting to see as the crowning effort of God's Word in the closing days of the Gospel age?

If not in ZION, *where will you find the standard for the Theocracy today?*

Is it because the standard is not high enough that you are not willing to take your stand now?

No one, so far as the writer knows, has ever complained because the standard in ZION is not high enough; but he knows of scores of people who have complained because, they say, the standard of ZION is too high.

ZION'S STANDARD THE STANDARD OF THE WORD OF GOD

The standard of ZION is infinitely higher than that found in any church organization. It is only the standard set forth in the Scriptures, which God demands, and therefore it cannot be too high.

Is it because you are too greatly attached to the world, and the flesh with its affections and lusts that you are kept from taking your stand for God and for ZION?

Is it because you are unequally yoked together with unbelievers that you are afraid of being in fellowship with a people in ZION who are out and out for God and His KINGDOM?

Is it because you have fellowship with the unrighteous, and because you are in accord with Belial that you hold back at the present time?

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"

"And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?"

"And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."—II. Corinthians 6:14-16.

Is it because you are a slave to public opinion and are afraid of persecution?

Is it because you are not willing to give up the use of this or that evil habit or practice which is tolerated in all of the church organizations?

Is it because you are unwilling to obey God in Triune Immersion, or in bringing the tithes of your income into the storehouse of ZION?

Is it because you cannot obtain the position and income in ZION that you can have in the world?

Is it because you are so endeared to the church with which you have been affiliated for so long?

Do you not realize that, if you are a saint of God, you have no business to be in a church organization which has been spewed out of the mouth of Jesus the Christ?

Read the following words which apply to the present day church:

"And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write: these things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God:

"I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

"So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth."—Revelation 3:14-16.

"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

"And will be a father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."—II. Corinthians 6:17 and 18.

What is the reason that you have held back, and that you have failed, up to the present time, to take your stand for God and for ZION?

GOD'S PEOPLE TO RALLY UNDER THE BANNER OF ZION

Our leader is pouring out his life, as no one is else is doing, for the purpose of making ZION, ZION people and ZION City what they ought to be. God has crowned his labors with signal success; and wonderful things have been accomplished during the past years. But more can be done and will be done if every true child of God will cast in his lot with the people of God in ZION.

Again we call attention to the fact that "eventually ZION" has come upon the scene. God has done His part to provide a refuge for the afflicted of His people.

Have you heard the call?

Will you heed the call?

Will you do it now?

Eventually ZION—Why not now?



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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong."** 1 Corinthians 16:13

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus Name

Do You Believe It?

"Bring ye all the tithes into the Storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Malachi 3:10)

"But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33)

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38)

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

"The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." (Proverbs 11:24, 25)

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

"But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:19, 20, 21)

Stealing the Tithes

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings.

"Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the Storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

"And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.

"And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts." (Malachi 3:8-12)

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Signs Betokening the End of the Age

Report of the Lord's Day Afternoon Service Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, February 13, 1916: Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

INVOCATION by Apostle E. L. Carey:

God be merciful unto us and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us; that Thy Way may be known upon earth, Thy Saving Health among all the nations. For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

APOSTLE CAREY: Let us sing hymn No. 390—"O CHRISTIAN TRAVELER, FEAR NO MORE!"

O Christian traveler, fear no more
The storms which round thee spread;
Nor yet the noontide's sultry beams
On thy defenceless head.

CHORUS.—

"Fear thou not, for I am with thee:
Be not dismayed, for I am thy God."

Thy Saviour, Who upon the cross
Thy full redemption paid,
Will not from thee, His ransomed one,
Withhold His promised aid.

A safe retreat and hiding-place
Thy Saviour will provide;
And sorrow cannot fill thy heart,
While sheltered at His side.

No; in thy darkest days on earth,
When every joy seems flown,
Believer, thou shalt never tread
The toilsome way alone.

SCRIPTURE READING

APOSTLE CAREY: I will read in the Inspired Word of God, in the first chapter of the Book of Joshua, the first nine verses:

Now after the death of Moses the servant of the Lord it came to pass, that the Lord spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying,

Moses My servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to thee, even to the children of Israel.

Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.

From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.

There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swore unto their fathers to give them.

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses My servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

I will also read, in the 105th Psalm, to the end of the 15th verse:

O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon His Name: make known His deeds among the people.

Sing unto Him, sing psalms unto Him: talk ye of all His wondrous works.

Glory ye in His Holy Name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

Seek the Lord, and His strength: seek His face evermore.

Remember His marvellous works that He hath done; His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth;
O ye seed of Abraham His servant, ye children of Jacob His chosen.

He is the Lord our God: His judgments are in all the earth.

He hath remembered His covenant for ever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations.

Which covenant He made with Abraham, and His oath unto Isaiah;

And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant:

Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance:

When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.

When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people;

He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, He reprov'd kings for their sakes;

Saying, Touch not Mine anointed, and do My prophets no harm.

May God bless His Word!

The SEMI-CHORUS rendered the Selection, entitled, "HARK! HARK! MY SOUL!" after which Apostle Carey offered

PRAYER

We thank Thee, O God our Heavenly Father, for this privilege we have today of being in Thy House to worship Thee. Thou art God; Thou art Good, and Thou doest good continually.

As we come to Thee now, our Father, we thank Thee that we can look up into Thy Face and say, "Abba, Father."

Father, help us now!

We thank Thee for Thy watch-care over us, for Thy kindness to us. Thou art so Good, so Kind, so full of love. Thou hast been so good to us—we cannot express in words what Thou hast done for us. We pray Thee to accept our humble thanks today for all Thy goodness to us.

Now bless us, we pray Thee, as we are bowed before Thee in this Thy House. We pray at this time for the thousands upon thousands, hundreds upon hundreds, in this City who are going to and fro upon these streets from day to day without any thought of Thee, their God. Thou hast made man, but notwithstanding this man has forgotten Thee.

O God, our hearts are sad when we remember these things, when we remember that our fellow men are not like minded with us, for the most part; but, on the contrary, they are thinking only of things that belong to this world, to this life, and they are thinking nothing of the life to come.

Father, we can go forward only in Thy strength to do the work Thou hast given us to do and leave the rest to Thee; we can only do our witnessing against sin and wickedness in high and low places, and by Thy grace we will do it.

Help us, we pray Thee, that we may be right in Thy sight. Forgive our sins, we beseech Thee, and wash them all away through the blood of Jesus the Christ Thy Son.

Grant, we pray Thee, that all in this building today may realize that they are "born again," as Jesus said all must be "born again"—born, not of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Help us to worship Thee in Spirit and in truth and in the beauty of holiness. By Thy Holy Spirit, may we go on from strength to strength, and may we put on the whole armor of God, which shall enable us to stand against the evil one; and then, having done all, to STAND.

Hear us, O God, and bless us today. Bless everything that shall be done in this meeting, and that which has been done already—the hymns that have been sung, the anthems that have been rendered, Thy precious Word that has been read. Grant that all things may redound to Thy honor and to Thy glory. We are seeking Thy glory, O God, and only Thy glory.

Help us, we beseech Thee, to be humble in Thy sight at all times, and then we know Thou wilt lift us up and exalt us.

We pray for Zion today throughout the world. We pray for Thy dear children wherever they are, and by whatever name they may be called. We thank Thee because Thou hast Thy children everywhere, in all lands; and we thank Thee that the time is com-

ing, and coming soon, when they shall come together, and when they shall be ONE, as Jesus the Christ said they would be—one in Jesus the Christ.

Hear us, Father, today for the sick, the troubled, and the tried. Just now draw near to those who love Thee, who are sick, and may they draw near to Thee in childlike faith, stretching out their hands to Thee, Who wilt honor their faith.

O God, heal the sick, comfort the sorrowful, help those who are being tried. We pray Thee to shield those who are under temptation from Satan's fiery darts, and give them the victory.

Bless Thy servant who shall speak to us the words of life—may they indeed be words of life and power to every one of us.

Help us to listen!

Help us to pray!

Hear us and bless us all, in accordance with Thy will, we ask it, in the Name of Jesus and for His sake; Amen.

A quartet, consisting of Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Barton, then rendered the selection, entitled, "ZION, AWAKE FROM THY SADNESS!"

Apostle Carey made the usual announcements for the week, after which the ZION Band played a selection while the Tithes and Freewill Offerings were being received.

The Semi-Chorus then rendered a third selection, entitled "THE KING OF LOVE, MY SHEPHERD IS."

INVOCATION by the General Overseer:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and in the Name of Jesus the Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit be sanctified unto the good of all who listen and of all who shall read this address in the "Leaves of Healing", O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

I will read in God's Inspired Word, the 21st chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke.

You will bear in mind that Christ's last prophecy is recorded in the 24th chapter of Matthew, the 21st chapter of St. Luke, and the 13th chapter of the Gospel of Mark.

The Teaching of Jesus Concerning the End of the Age

There is no other verse in the Bible that so strikingly describes present conditions, as the 26th verse of this 21st chapter of St. Luke:

"Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken."

The introductory verses of this chapter are to the effect that the disciples showed Jesus the buildings of the temple; and it was a wonderful combination, with its golden dome, having as a background the Mount of Olives and the picturesque curved road running from Jerusalem to that little city where Mary and Martha and Lazarus lived.

As I read the statements of the Apostles,—the statements describing their attitude in showing Jesus the buildings of the Temple, we have the same thing today.

Why, there never was a time when men were so proud, so boastful, as they are today. That is what the Bible prophesies—that in the last days, among other things, men will be proud, high-headed, boastful, forgetful of God; and they will say, "Look at what I have done! Look at the Masonic Temple, what a skyscraper it is! I am the architect! I had something to do with building it! Look at other buildings in the City of Chicago!" And then along comes another fellow, and he says, "Why, these buildings are nothing. Come down to New York, and we will show you some buildings that are worth talking about."

When they had finished pointing out these wonderful buildings of the Temple, Jesus said:

"As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down."

That was a literal prophecy, and it struck them as a very peculiar thing.

In the next place, we find them approaching Him and saying, "Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?"

In Matthew the question is recorded: "Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?"

The Apostasy Despises Christ's Teaching on His Second Coming

There is no phrase that is more hated, both by the apostate

church and the world, than the phrase, "the end of the world;" and, of course, the use of it provokes a smile.

Jesus said, "Certain things will transpire before this happens. One of them is that many will appear as false Christs—men and women will arise and say, 'I am Christ.' In the next place, there will be wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes in many different places, pestilences, famines; and they will hate you because you preach the Gospel—you will be hated by all nations for My Name's sake."

The Lord Jesus Christ did not say Chicago would receive Voliva with open arms and shout, "Glory, hallelujah!" as the papers say they did at Trenton when "Billy" Sunday went there with a lot of rot.

When Paul went down to Lystra, they received him with rocks; when he went to Damascus they thirsted for his blood, and he had to be let down over the wall in a basket. The people took Peter and shut him up in prison; they cut off the head of James; and thousands of others have been forced to seal their testimonies with their blood.

Whenever any city receives a man with open arms, you may know he is a first-class tool of hell, and that the devil is standing back of him and saying, "Go on, Billy, you are doing the job better than I could do it!"

Now then, "ye shall be hated of all nations."

For instance, when one preaches a sermon against Freemasonry, and tells them it is a counterfeit; that it is a fraud; that it is antichristian and unchristian; that it is the worship of Baal, the point within the circle, the dirty, filthy old phallic worship of Egypt—they will go out and say, "He ought to be shot."

The Lord says that in the last days evil men will put you to death, and think they are doing God's will when they do it.

Let us see whether this prophecy of the Lord's has been fulfilled or not. Let us turn to history. Some people are very smart, you know, in their own minds, and they think they know a great deal.

Jesus' Prophecy of Jerusalem's Destruction Literally Fulfilled

Let us turn to the pages of what is called secular history, and we shall see whether this prophecy by Jesus the Christ has been fulfilled. Why, every man who knows beans from split peas, will have to admit that it was *literally fulfilled*. They destroyed that Temple and plowed the ground where it stood! That is a matter of history.

Josephus tells the whole story of the investment of Jerusalem by the Roman army. He tells just how long it took them to batter down the first wall, the second wall, and the third wall.

It would not take a modern army very long to knock them down, but it took a good while for them to knock them down with the implements of warfare they had then. We could do more with a popgun now, than they did with the battering-rams they had then.

I went through Morro Castle the other day, which was considered a mighty fort in its time; but it would not last three minutes before one of the modern war-ships.

And so when we read about these three walls, and how it took them fifteen days to knock a hole in one of them, it gives us some idea of the implements of war they had at that time.

That prophecy was literally fulfilled.

What are you going to do with the rest of this—"And what shall be the sign of Thy coming?"

There are two phases to the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. In the Greek there are two words—"parousia" and "apokalupsis;" the first meaning the *presence*, and the second the *revelation*.

Christ comes *for* the saints first; and then He comes *with* the saints. His first coming is like a thief in the night; like a man who removes his shoes and, with thick, soft socks, comes up on your steps and enters your house. That is the way the Lord comes the first time. Nobody will see it or know it except the saints who are wide awake, beholding the signs in the terrestrial world, in the celestial world, in the social world, in the political world, and upon every hand; and there is not a sign yet to be manifested, in a general sense, that has not been looming up ominously, lo, these many months and years, indicating that the end is drawing nigh.

What are the signs?

That is a twofold prophecy. In other words, it is a prophecy which has a miniature fulfillment, and then a secondary or complete fulfillment.

One of the first signs of the approach of Christ is the appearance of false Christs.

The world is in a terrible condition today—it is in the very condition which the Lord Jesus Christ plainly portrayed.

Why, a Christian today is such a scarce article that sometimes, for a moment, one almost wonders whether there is such a thing as a Christian on the earth.

Oh, there are plenty of so-called Christians—plenty of them in Chicago; but hell is full of just such Christians, and several annexes have been built in order to hold them.

Lukewarm Christianity Rejected by the Christ

That which is called Christianity would make a man puke! I do not wonder that the Word of God tells us that in the last days Jesus the Christ will vomit out these lukewarm churches. We are told in Revelation that He will get so sick of them and their lukewarmness that He will vomit them out.

Believers in the Bible are very scarce articles.

How has the faith of the people in the Bible been destroyed by the devil?

I will tell you, the devil is a pretty shrewd old chap. He has pulled off some mighty fine stunts, and do not make any mistake about it.

There are three systems, originated by the devil, which have had most to do with destroying the belief of the people in the Bible; and the people have not sense enough to see it.

Most of the preachers are nothing more nor less than tools of the devil—that is all they are! They are his mouthpieces, in more ways than one.

The Teaching of the Evolution of Man Contrary to the Bible Account of his Creation

Now then, the first of the trinity of systems which the devil inaugurated to destroy the belief of the people in God and the Bible, is Evolution—the teaching that God did not create man, as the Bible says He did, but that man evolved from a monkey.

Well, I must confess that, sometimes as I observe the conduct of people, it is hard for me to keep from believing it. The fact of the matter is, that instead of having *evolved* from the monkey, I am tempted to believe that some men must have *de-evolved* from the monkey; for they are lower than monkeys.

I saw more "double-barreled" stinkpots on my trip the last few days, than I ever saw in my life before. A "double-barreled" stinkpot is a man who smokes and chews, spits and stinks, all at the same time.

A great big fellow sat right next to me on board the boat, and he smoked and chewed, spit and spewed, and stunk, all at one time. And he had a little sunken-eyed hollow-cheeked, shriveled up "cracklin" by his side, who was his wife; and she had been poisoned by tobacco and was dying from its effects.

Yes, I saw plenty of monkeys. I have seen dogs, too; but never yet have I seen one smoking or chewing. I did see one dog drinking out of the public fountain where the people drank; but I never saw one low-down enough to chew tobacco and spit it all around.

I tell you, this damnable, dirty smoking and chewing business is almost universal. A week ago today, for the first time in my life, I saw a woman smoking a big black cigar. I had never seen a woman smoke a cigar before. I did see a woman in New York smoking a cigarette, and you have hundreds of them in Chicago who smoke cigarettes.

When I get ready to take the lid off of Chicago, you better buy an extra supply of handkerchiefs to hold your noses; because the lid is coming off during the next couple of years. I can tell you.

Why, there are places in Chicago where fashionable women—do you know what they are? Do you know what fashionable women are? Fashionable women, for the most part, are nothing more nor less than harlots—that is all they are! They consider themselves respectable because they have money, and can wear fine clothes, and go to certain places downtown, magnificent gilded rooms, where they smoke and drink; and the way some of them conduct themselves would be a disgrace to any house there is in the lowest district in Chicago.

The Devil the Author of Modern Evolution

Evolution has destroyed the faith of millions, and the devil is the author of it. The pulpits today, by the thousands, are preaching it.

Dr. Lyman Abbott is an evolutionist. One of the most brilliant things he ever said, according to his notion, was that he did not see why God should fail to know a man, because a man failed to know God. He thought that was a wonderful statement, did he not?

You will find ministers by the hundreds who are preaching evolution. They are tools of the devil—mouthpieces of the devil; and they do not believe the Bible.

The second thing is modern astronomy, which is taught in the grade schools, in the high schools, and in the universities. It is a pack of damnable lies!

Why, any man or woman who fancies he or she believes the Bible, and who, at the same time, believes the Copernican theory of astronomy, is a fool!

However, just the minute a man questions the globular theory of the earth, it is fun to see every little upstart begin to te-hee—"Is he crazy?"

The Bible Declares the Earth a Plane, not a Globe

The Bible is absolutely and squarely against the whole Copernican-Newtonian system!

There never was a bigger lot of rot talked than the law of gravitation! There is no such a thing—it is nothing but a lot of devilish bunk!

Then your school teachers and your college professors get before the little children and the students, and they say, "What is one of the proofs that the earth is a globe?"

"The disappearance of a ship at sea."

What has that to do with it?

"Why, the hull disappears first behind a hill of water, and at last the top of the mast goes down behind the hill of water."

I stood on a boat last Monday, and plainly saw the land thirty-five miles distant, with the naked eye, over that mighty hill of water.

There is no hill there! All standing water is perfectly level!

"Now, Johnnie, what is another proof?"

"They have sailed around it."

Yes, "sailed around it." Well, you could sail around a house, too, could you not, if you had it out on Lake Michigan? But that would not prove it a globe, would it?

Why, both of those statements are too silly for an idiot to advocate! And yet there is not a school in Chicago where the children are not stuffed with it.

Then, of course, after they are filled up with modern astronomy—listen! "Now, Mary Jane, how did this earth originate?"

"It was a hot cinder shot off from the sun."

My word! I should think she would have brain fever after that.

Think of that diabolical rot in the face of God Almighty's Word! And it is taught in every high school, college, and university in this country.

It is an infernal lie!

So-called Science Rejects the Bible Account of Creation

"In the beginning GOD CREATED THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH."

And He never created but ONE.

Then listen to these preachers!

Ladies and gentlemen, I will read to you a sermon here some Sunday on "My Father's House"—and you will see to what extremes these apostates will go.

Why, the nearest fixed star is more than two million times as far from this earth as is the sun!

There would be just as much sense if you were to use the figure seven hundred billion—it is an infernal lie!

Oh, the magnitude of the universe! They tell us that stars went out billions of years ago, and the light that has been traveling all these millions of years has not yet reached the earth.

No, and I don't think it ever will.

I believe in that just about as much as I believe in the Roman Catholic lies about relics. They claim they have the rays of the star of Bethlehem in a bottle.

A certain man down in New England made a small fortune by exhibiting a barrel, which he said his ancestors brought over on the Mayflower.

He led a party of people down into the cellar, one day, to

see it. Oh, it was a wonderful barrel! Finally one man, examining it closely, said, "The staves look new."

"Well," he said, "the old ones rotted off, so I had to put on new ones to keep the barrel from falling to pieces."

Another man came along, and, taking out his pen-knife, began to examine the hoops. "Why," he said, "these hoops look new."

"Yes," the man said, "while I was putting in new staves, I thought I would just put on new hoops, too."

Pretty soon another fellow began to thump the head of the barrel a time or two, and he said, "Why, at that time they didn't have any such timber as this."

"Well," he said, "that is new, too."

He said, "You miserable fraud, what is there here that came over on the Mayflower?"

The man said, "You fool, the bung-hole!"

I am going to preach some sermons on Roman Catholic frauds.

A certain man went to Europe, and while going through a Roman Catholic place the guide said, "This is the head of John the Baptist, here in this case."

"Well," he said, "that is really wonderful. I am glad to see it. It is marvelous! How did you ever succeed in getting hold of his head in such a good state of preservation?"

He said, "God takes care of that."

In the afternoon this same man was going through another Roman Catholic place, and the guide took him to a show-case and said, "This is the head of John the Baptist."

"Why," the man said, "that is queer! Over here in another place I saw the head of John the Baptist, and it was nearly twice as large as this one."

"Well," the guide said, "the one over there was his head when he got to be a man; this is his head when he was a boy."

Infidel Astronomers Reject the Inspired Word of God

Well now, when it comes to modern astronomy, there is just about as much truth in all the stuff that is written by these infidel astronomers, as in these stories I am telling.

God Almighty created the heaven and the earth, and when a man says this earth is a cinder which was shot off from the sun, he is an infernal liar!

I will take the Word of God!

I fought this battle in college, in both geology and astronomy.

In the course of time a quarter of a million notices will be put out in this City; and I am going to knock this modern astronomy, which is taught in the Chicago University and the Northwestern University, and I will grind it to powder!

I want to say to you, no man can believe in modern astronomy—the Copernican-Newtonian system—without being an infidel. It is impossible to believe it, and the Bible at the same time.

When Joshua prayed for the sun to stand still, it stood still. But the Copernican system taught that the sun was stationary, you know that. They have altered their theory a little bit now. But Copernicus taught that the sun was stationary.

How could the sun stand still, in answer to prayer, unless it moved?

Still more wonderful, in the case of Hezekiah, the sun went backwards.

When they say the sun is ninety-two million miles away, it is such silly rot that I am surprised that any man, with the brains of a kitten, could believe such stuff.

There is not a word of truth in it.

The next system is higher criticism.

Modern Astronomy, Evolution and Higher Criticism Must be Renounced by the Saints

Modern astronomy, evolution, and higher criticism are the three systems that have to be renounced and denounced by the men and women who are to have a part in the rapture when the Lord comes.

This earth is a stationary plane; it does not revolve on its axis, nor does it move in any orbit.

How in the Name of God and common sense, could Jesus the Christ descend from Heaven upon a whirling globe, that is moving at the rate of one million, eight hundred thousand miles a day?

How in the Name of God and common sense could there have been a flood, such as the one which took place in the time of Noah, on a whirling globe?

Therefore, the leading astronomical writers pooh pooh the idea of a flood. But the Blessed Lord says there was a flood. Peter, the Apostle, in the third chapter of his second Epistle, makes it plain that there was a flood.

When the Lord descends, He will descend from the throne of God up yonder, down upon a stationary earth, which, as Peter says, "Standing out of the water and in the water, and being overflowed with water."—II Peter 3:5, 6.

Next time, when I deliver an address on this subject, I will have a globe here. I do not have to treat it from a scientific standpoint, however.

I take the Word of God, and I say, as the General Overseer of Zion, I denounce evolution as from hell! I denounce the whole modern astronomical system, as having been originated by the devil!

When I throw up a book, it falls. The teacher says, "Now, Johnnie, why did that book fall?"

"The law of gravitation."

The law of rot!

When I throw a balloon into the air, why doesn't it fall? I suppose the law of gravitation is too weak. It can pull down the book, but it cannot pull down the balloon.

The fact of the matter is, the book falls because it is heavier than the air; the balloon continues to rise until it reaches its own density, and then it comes down.

There is no Such a Thing as the Law of Gravitation

The foremost writers say that those who believe in the stationary plane theory can explain all phenomena as good as they can, and in addition they have the evidence of their senses and the Word of God.

However, for one to stand up in Chicago, in the shadow of the Chicago University and of the Northwestern University, and before all the preachers and lawyers and judges and doctors, and dare to question the modern astronomical theory, how they titter and laugh! "Why," they say, "he must be crazy!"

Who is crazy—the man who believes the Word of God or the people who run off after science, falsely so-called?

That is the question!

No wonder the people do not believe the Bible!

Now then, the one great need of the world today is a leader.

Oh, what a conception the people have of leadership!

In a paper printed down South there was an editorial the other day which amused me very much. Here is the editorial: "The wise leader finds out first where the people want to go, and then he leads them."

What do you think of that as a definition for leadership?

My definition of a leader, is a man who does not care the snap of his finger what the people think nor what they want—a man of convictions, and with the courage of his convictions, who will go on the platform and give the people the truth.

These signs enumerated here are to be the notice of the approach of the King.

What about false Christs?

During the last twenty-five years there have been scores of false Christs, in this land, in England, in Australia, and in other lands—both men and women, who have made the astounding claim, "I am Jesus the Christ."

The Masses Choose Leaders to Their own Liking

All people follow a leader. There is not a man here who is not following somebody. Some of you men sitting here are following a woman, and you are being led about just like a poodle-dog.

One time I heard a man in a store ask his wife for ten cents to buy a straw hat; and she let him have it.

Think of a great big fellow standing up and asking his wife for ten cents to buy a straw hat.

Well now, when a man tells me, "I follow nobody," he is probably telling the truth, providing he is following himself.

Everybody is following somebody. In politics it is Roosevelt, Wilson, Bryan, Governor Dunn, Senator Sherman, Senator Lewis, Ex-Governor Deneen, William Hale Thompson, or somebody else.

It is true in religion.

There are thousands of men and women in Chicago, with magnificent automobiles, wearing silk hats and so on, and they are following old Mrs. Eddy, who turned up her toes just like

anybody else and died. She tried awfully hard to think she was not dead; but she was dead just the same.

It makes me think of the girl who asked her employer to let her off for a day. He said, "What for?" She said, "Mother is very sick." He said, "Your mother has only got mortal mind, she just thinks she is sick; but you may go." She went. In a couple of weeks she failed to come to the office for four days. He asked her what had been the matter, and she said, "Mother thinks she is dead."

Think of that kind of stuff!

There are thousands of people here in Chicago, sitting in beautiful buildings, who believe that stuff. I am going to break their skulls, figuratively speaking, and see what they have inside of them.

Following the Methodists!

Following the Presbyterians!

Following Rome!

There are hundreds of thousands in this City (at least, that is what they claim) who are following Rome.

I attended a service in the Roman Catholic Cathedral in Havana last Lord's Day. It was high mass.

You know, the rule in the Roman Catholic Church is high money, high mass; low money, low mass; no money, no mass.

Is not that right?

This was high mass, and it *was* a high mass.

Following somebody!

Following the newspapers! Why, the newspapers are simply the reflection of the people's thoughts, and they aim to give them what they want. You know that as well as I do.

Why, some people come to these meetings, and say, "Well, I expected to hear something I believed." That is where you make your mistake! If I have nothing to present except what you believe, I am wasting my time.

The Inspired Word of God is Rejected by an Apostate Ministry

It is my business to preach the Word of God to you, and the first thing I have to say, is, that the Bible is the **INSPIRED WORD OF GOD!** You will have to answer according to this Book, and not according to anything else. From Genesis to Revelation, these are God's words and God's thoughts!

The first thing you will hear, probably, when you go back to your old church, the preacher will say in a sepulchral tone, "I do not believe the story of Adam and the fall."

And then you will hear that the story of Jonah and the whale is all a fake.

I believe it with all my heart, especially since I saw that great fish in Florida—a fish forty feet long, weighing thirty thousand pounds, with a liver that weighs seventeen hundred pounds.

They found that this fish had swallowed an animal which weighed fourteen hundred pounds.

Why, a fish like that could swallow several Jonahs, and they could fake a cookstove in and a kitchen cabinet, and do business properly.

There is nothing strange in the statement that God prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah—nothing at all! It is a grand story—the Savior indorsed it, and I believe it with all my heart.

The Close of the Age to End in Universal Chaos

As Jesus prophesied the destruction of the Temple and of Jerusalem, so the Bible tells us that all the cities of the nations shall fall—Chicago, New York, Paris, London, Berlin, St. Petersburg, Melbourne, Sydney, Havana—all the cities of the nations shall fall; and all the sky-scrapers and the beautiful cathedrals and so on, the Bible says they shall fall.

The Bible says that when the great and terrible day of the Lord comes, the kings, the queens, the czars, and the great men of earth will cry to God to let the rocks and mountains fall upon them to hide them from His Face; and it shall come to pass.

It is easy enough for the student to see how, in Europe, events could transpire in the next few days that would dethrone a number of rulers; and I can plainly see the rising tide that will sweep every ruler off of his throne, and then democracy—which is the cry of the populace, anarchy—will reign.

After this war, universal chaos.

Now, one of the signs is false Christs. We have had them; we do not need any more to fulfill this part of Christ's last great prophecy.

Another sign is wars. How about that? Do you want another one as a sign? The European war reduces all other wars to mere pygmies.

John Alexander Dowie's Remarkable Prophecy

If you desire to read John Alexander Dowie's prophecy concerning this war, delivered thirteen years ago in the Chicago Auditorium, do not fail to get **LEAVES OF HEALING** of last week (Vol. 37, No. 19).

John Alexander Dowie, in that remarkable prophecy delivered thirteen years ago, among other things, prophesied that airships, loaded with bombs, would fly over cities and would destroy many lives. He also lines up the nations. It is one of the most interesting things that has been delivered in the Nineteenth Century, thus far.

The other day, a man said to me, "Dowie claimed to be a prophet, did he not?"

I said, "Yes."

He said, "He might have been, who can say?"

That is the question!

Was he a prophet?

At one time he fought all the newspapers in Chicago. And did you ever write down in your little scrap-book that every editor who was in that persecution of 1895 paid the penalty with his life?

That is the fact! It is a matter of record.

He stood up and fought the City administration of Chicago, the newspapers of Chicago, the doctors of Chicago, and the apostate preachers of Chicago—because, I will tell you, I have more hope of the saloon-keepers and the brewers than of many of the preachers of Chicago.

If there is a preacher here today, God have mercy upon your soul, you coward! You are nothing but a "sissy"! You ought to be wearing skirts instead of breeches, you coward, and you know it! You are afraid to go upon your platform and preach a sermon against dancing, tobacco, theater-going, and so on; you are afraid to preach a sermon against anything except a low salary! And the women have to raise that by giving pork and bean, and oyster suppers.

Why, a man who would let a lot of women hold an oyster supper, and then take the proceeds, if you had a microscope that would magnify two hundred fold, you could not find his soul!

You will understand I am against the preachers; and I want them to know it. I will make them howl for mercy in Chicago before I am through with them: I did it in the City of Melbourne, and I can do it here.

Many Ministers in Bondage to Masonic Oaths

When I go after these old Methodist bishops and elders and parsons in this City, who have bowed the knee to Baal in a Masonic Lodge, and vowed that they would not violate the purity of a Master Mason's wife, mother, or daughter, **KNOWING HER TO BE SUCH**, I will make them smoke, and don't you forget it!

You men and women who are sitting here this afternoon, do you realize the force of that statement?

Do you want to listen to a man preach who has gone into a Masonic lodge room, with both arms bare to the elbow; both legs bare to the knee; and both breasts bare, and who has sworn not to violate the purity of the wife, mother or daughter of a Master Mason, **KNOWING HER TO BE SUCH?** Do you want to hear such a man preach?

I do not!

While I am on this point, is it not a strange thing that Freemasonry is such a wonderful (?) order that they dare one to discuss it?

I will discuss any organization in Chicago! I will discuss any system! And when they march down Michigan Avenue before the public with uniforms on, wearing high hats with rooster feathers stuck in them, pretending to be something so big and glorious, I will examine the system they represent.

Now, there are some nice looking men sitting here today, and perhaps some of you are Freemasons, wearing Masonic charms; and you may be feeling awfully hurt, and saying to yourselves, "Well, it is too bad that Mr. Voliva should attack our glorious order."

If I do not know more about it in five minutes, than you know in six months, I will eat that book without pepper and salt!

Listen, my friend, did you not take an oath and bind your-

self under a penalty of having your throat cut from ear to ear? Before God, did you not do it?

Did you not bind yourself under a penalty of having your heart plucked out by the roots, and your body cut in twain and buried on the shore of the sea, where the tide ebbs and flows twice in every twenty-four hours? Did you not do it?

The Name of Jesus the Christ Repudiated by Freemasonry

Did you ever hear the Name of Jesus in a Masonic lodge? In the Masonic Blue Lodge (the first three degrees) you dare not mention the Name of Jesus.

No! You do not dare to mention it there! And think of bishops and elders and preachers going into an organization where you dare not mention the Name of Christ!

I know what I am talking about!

Some say, "If you attempt to discuss Freemasonry we will kill you!" That shows you what kind of an order it is.

That is a nice order to be in existence in a civilized country, is it not?

Apostle Carey, you remember the day a major in the British Army gave the Masonic sign of distress, and one hundred and fifty Freemasons rushed to the platform. They knocked down men, women, and children.

That is a nice order for Methodist bishops and elders to belong to!

I tell you, I am going to give them hell in Chicago, if I die for it. I am going to save the young men and women of Chicago from bowing the knee to Baal.

Think of ministers going through a mock resurrection!

It is blasphemous and sacrilegious!

If you desire to read a fine exposure, get the book entitled, "Methodist Apostasy." It is a book of about two hundred pages. (This book will be reprinted in the near future. The supply has all been taken. When printed, due notice will appear in LEAVES OF HEALING.)

Wars!

Rumors of wars!

All the Nations of the World to be Involved in the Final Catastrophe

What have we today? We have Russia—may God destroy Russia, the nation that has committed crimes enough against the Jews to bring the judgments of the Eternal God down upon her!—we have Russia, France, England, Belgium, and Italy on one side; and Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey, and Bulgaria on the other side. And almost any day the other small nations that are left—Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Spain, Portugal, and Greece—will be involved. In fact, they are involved now, more or less.

Australia, New Zealand, and Canada have sent their scores of thousands. I have been thinking of the tens of thousands who fell at the Dardanelles, most of them from Australia. If you had been there, Mintern, probably you would have had to go.

What a horrible thing!

Is it a sign?

I say it is a sign!

As the General Overseer of ZION, I am not pro-English, pro-German, pro-Italian, nor pro-anything! I am God's servant, standing on the Watch-tower of ZION, reading my Bible and watching the prophecies which are being fulfilled one after another. I lift up mine eyes, and, thank God, the Day of Redemption is drawing nigh.

Earthquakes in divers places!

Pestilences!

The Terrible Horrors Brought upon Humanity Through War

They say there is not a child under seven years of age living in Poland—they are all dead; that there are seven million starving to death there; and that there are scores of thousands of Armenians going across the desert. Mothers have been known to take their children and throw them far from them, in order that they may not see them die.

Oh, the horrors of war!

Do you wonder that Jesus said here: "But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!"—and again, "But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day?"

Who can describe the horrors of war?

And now the United States of America, my own beloved

land, will come in for its share. Just where this Country will be drawn into it, perhaps no one can foresee; but it will be drawn into it.

The cry for an army in this Country, on the continental plan, by the Secretary who resigned the other day, and the agitation in Congress, shows how the spirit of the devil is laying hold of men; and soon the spirit of strife and murder will possess this land.

Is it any wonder the old prophet says that the slain shall lie from one end of the earth to the other?

Is it any wonder it is written that the hand of every man shall be against every other man?

Is it any wonder it is written that there will be scarcely any believers in God left?—so much so that Jesus Himself asked the question, "When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"

Where will He find it?

Where will He find it?

Cowards in the pulpits! These preachers know they are cowards! They are nothing but puppy dogs! The incarnate devils who sit in the pews pull the string, and they dance to the music. There is not one of them who dares call his soul his own.

I want to tell you, in the Day of Judgment the heaviest judgments will fall upon the false shepherds.

Oh, the poor people, God pity them! I do not expect to reach very many by my voice.

There were just two hundred in that Roman Catholic Cathedral in Havana last Lord's Day morning when they had their *High Mass*.

Idolatry!

The Roman Catholic Church Fosters Idolatry

There is not a ranker system of idolatry out of hell than the Roman Catholic Church—bowing to images and to pictures, and praying to this saint and to that saint.

How they value (?) the names of the saints!

St. Paul's Church! If St. Paul were to come along there he would lay the lash of cords on them.

St. George's Church! I never knew St. George had a church.

St. Luke's Hospital! My God, think of placing the name of a mighty disciple of Jesus the Christ over all that goes on in a hospital!

St. Luke's Hospital!

Why, the devil always steals the livery of Heaven, and tries to seal the principles and practices of hell with the sanction of heaven.

Listen to these old apostate preachers in Chicago!

Listen to them!—"Religion and medicine should go hand in hand. Medicine is the twin-sister of Religion."

Think of that!

How many doctors are there in Chicago who are drunkards?

How many doctors are there in Chicago who are cocaine fiends?

How many doctors are there in Chicago whose hands are covered an inch deep in the blood of the murdered unborn?

Then these infernal preachers go around and say, "God bless the doctor! God bless this arsenic which he gives—I know it will kill a dog; but help it to cure this sick man! Direct the hand of the surgeon as he cuts out Bother Brown's appendix. Grant that he shall not make a mistake and cut out his liver"—which he is just as likely to do as not.

Think of such hypocrisy!

Why, in that Roman Catholic Church there were three old "bloats" of priests, arrayed in gorgeous robes. They marched in, and after bowing before an altar one of them got off a lot of stuff nobody could understand—the ass!

Say, I would like to line up all the priests in Chicago, and see how many of them would swear before God and man they were not adulterers.

If these convents are so holy and noble, why not throw them open to state inspection?

One monastery in Havana, Cuba, was thrown open during the war, and they found a wagon load of babies' skulls in the yard. Who were the fathers of those babies?

The priests!

Do you wonder they do not get married?

I do not wonder a bit. Any dirty dog would rather have a dozen women than one. Is not that true, men?

Sure!

Perhaps some of you are dogs, I do not know.

There are a lot of men in Chicago who keep from one to three girls in the big hotels, you know; and then they take up the collection in the church on Sunday. Here is the way they look marching along (imitating). When they come down to hear Voliva, and he makes somebody laugh, they get up and go out, saying, "What a shame!"

I do not wonder they do not laugh, the dirty, low-down scoundrels! I do not wonder at it!

Protestantism Has Failed to Protest Against Iniquity

Where is your Protestantism?

Where are your Protestant preachers?

Well, I went over to the "Episcopalian" Church. I counted the people present, and there were twenty-eight on the right side, and thirty-one on the left side. You know, the Bible says the Lord put the sheep on the right side and the goats on the left. These were mostly goats.

There was a hollow-eyed, sunken-cheeked fellow on the platform, and he stood there, with his back to the people, talking to himself. And those people sat there and listened to him! I wonder that people can be such fools! I said, "Lord, help me!" I felt like running up there and taking him by the nape of the neck, and saying, "Let me preach to these people and give them some Gospel!"

I went over to the Presbyterian Church, and there were forty people present—forty men, women, and children, in the great City of Havana, which has a population of over four hundred thousand.

I went from there to the Baptist Church, and they had fifty people.

My, what powerful churches!

In the afternoon they had the annual horse races, and people were there from all over the United States and from Europe. There were tens of thousands out to the horse races, paying from a dollar and a half to two dollars to get in to see them.

On Sunday night they had a concert in the Public Square, and there was a dense mass of people, as thick as they could get—smoking, chewing, drinking, stinking, everything wide open—a perfect hell on earth.

Where is the voice?

Where is the voice?

Cowards in the pulpits!

What else are they?

Listen, ladies and gentlemen! I have read in the newspapers about how they are trying to get up a revival.

The Failure of Man-made Revivals to Save the Churches

Well now, any revival you and I might get up would not be worth the snap of your finger! You and I cannot get up a revival.

The Word of God says, "No man cometh unto the Father, but by Me"—and again, "No man can come to Me, except the Father Who hath sent Me draw him."

Do you hear that?

God must add—He must do the adding.

"Preach the Word!"

"Be instant in season, out of season!"

What have you in the pews?

Now, I have to be fair and honest. I would rather work in the harvest field than to deliver these messages; but since God has given me this duty to perform, I am going to do it if I die for it.

I thank God some have been reached by these messages. I thank God we can reach saloon-keepers, if we cannot reach the preachers. I thank God for that!

I thank God for those who have been rescued from the cigarette habit. I will tell you, you do not get them to quit by giving them perfumery, molasses, and soft-soap, either! You have to make them see themselves as they are.

Why, there were two fellows who went through our coach this morning, and I began to hunt about for a skunk's nest.

Oh, this tobacco business is horrible!

What do you find in the pews?

Well now, in all my travels I have always found, no matter

where I have gone, a few saints. I have no doubt that if I were to go into any Roman Catholic or Methodist church, in the midst of hundreds and thousands, I could pick out a few saints—men and women who really and truly love God, and who are separated from the world, the flesh, and the devil.

What else do you find?

What will you find in the Episcopal churches, in the Methodist churches, and in all the churches? You will find dancers, will you not?

I want to say to you, I have no more confidence in the conversion of a man or woman who will patronize the dance hall, than I have in the devil!

I saw a dance the other night, and I am going to give you an exhibition here some day.

Think of a young lady and a young gentleman getting up and going through the "Fox Trot," for instance, to music that comes from hell!

A young lady who will do a thing of that kind is no better than a harlot! I would not call her decent! If she is decent when she goes on the floor, she will not stay decent very many minutes.

And yet church members by the thousands are engaged in "Fox Trots," "Turkey Trots," "Rabbit Skids," and all the rest of it—the infernal fools!

And why?

The False Shepherds Responsible for the People Going Astray

Because the preachers are cowards!

Suppose I were to clear out this Prayer Room this afternoon, and call for twenty married women and twenty married men for a dance. Then Mr. Brown gets Mrs. Jones for his partner, and he gets his arm around her, you know—that is a beautiful spectacle, is it not?

How many of you dirty devils have been hugging other men's wives? Stand up, please! No, you won't stand up—of course not!

Shame!

Ten thousand times shame!

How in the Name of God can a man or woman say, "I have been 'born again'; I am a new creature in Jesus the Christ, and have been sanctified by the Holy Spirit," and so on, and indulge in a thing of that kind?

Who is to blame?

The preachers are to blame!

I tell you, I have sat on my father's knee many a night for hours, and he has told me of the Methodist Church when he was a boy. They did not go to dances then; for they knew better! They were not allowed to go to circus shows, and they were not allowed to do a great many things. But today, what is it they do not do?

Two weeks ago today I read to you from an article written by a Methodist minister, in which he says that the members of the Methodist Church are found in the dance hall, at the opera, and at the theater; that it is almost impossible to tell the difference between the church and the world.

That is just as Jesus Christ predicted it would be.

Who is to blame?

The preachers are to blame, the infernal cowards!

When these young men and women go to hell, to whose skirts will their blood cling?

To the skirts of these ministers!

Sowing to the Flesh and Sowing to the Spirit

The Word of God says, "He that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

When men and women desire the dance hall, they have not been converted—they have not become new creatures in Christ Jesus.

Suppose I were to say to you, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I have a strong desire for a drink of whisky and a cigarette."

No, thank God, I have no desire for whisky and no desire for a cigarette. I have no desire for the dance hall or for the theater, either.

I have a desire for this Bible, for the secret closet, for the prayer meeting; I have a desire to help the poor, the sinful, the sick, and the dying. I have no time for these other things.

Oh, look at the state the world is in!

Dancing!—it cannot be condemned too strongly.

Listen!

Whenever a man says, "Oh, the young people must have amusement!"—the devil is back of his saying that.

When young men and women are converted, they are just the same as men and women of sixty-five or eighty years of age who are converted; their desires are the same. They will want the Bible, and not a dime novel or a Sunday newspaper; they will want the prayer meeting, and not a dance hall; and they will not want to be found sitting in a theater—a vile hell-hole.

Now, I want to ask you a question: Do you think it is possible for an actress to be a virtuous woman?

Just think of that for a moment.

No Woman on the Stage Can Retain an Untarnished Record

I do not believe it is possible for any woman to follow the stage for any length of time and not fall. I do not believe there are any of them who do not fall, either.

Shall I, a man of God, shall I, a Christian man, go and pay my money to sit and watch a fallen woman on the stage? Is that any place for a Christian?

Would you want the Lord to come and find you sitting in a place of that kind?

I sat in one of the leading restaurants in a certain city the other night, and an actress sat at a table next to where we were sitting. Along came a waiter and punched her in the ribs.

Why?

Because she was that kind!

Could any young lady be subject to the attentions of all kinds of men and retain her virtue? I say, NO—ABSOLUTELY NO!

An actress who attended my meetings in Adelaide, in a talk lasting for hours, told me she had never known any girl to be on the stage any length of time who did not lose her virtue; and she was one of the number.

How could they retain their virtue in the midst of such damnable surroundings?

I say that children of God should make a clean sweep of every evil thing.

On board the trains, everybody was playing cards; and what funny objects we saw. Why, I saw one little old woman with enough diamonds on to stock up a good-sized home with every bit of furniture needed. I said to my companion, "We had old brindle cows that would have looked better with those diamonds on than she does."

Oh, what disgusting sights!

There sat women playing cards by themselves. There sat a man and a woman and a little girl playing cards. And there were decks of cards from one end of that train to the other.

I would burn every deck of cards in Christendom, if I had hold of them!

I say to you, you have no time for these foolish things! When you touch a deck of cards you are playing with hell-fire that may land you in the gambler's grave.

Church Members Prominent at Euchre Parties

Who are the leading card players in Chicago?

The church members!

Who give the euchre parties?

The Presbyterian church members!

Along the streets of Havana would come a Roman Catholic priest, with his full clerical paraphernalia on, and smoking a cigarette; what a fine example for the boys!

I will guarantee that on Lord's Day morning, after they finished mass, they trotted right off to the races.

Why, the drinking houses were as full Sunday as Saturday. There were thousands right out in the open street.

And they call that religion!—religion!

Now, cowards in the pulpits!

That is what your preacher is! That is all he is—nothing but a coward!

What does he preach? He has been to *colleae*, and got his head full of *knowledge*, and he has labored and worked and brought forth a "mouse"—written up a beautiful sermon on the Whyness of the What.

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

Did you ever hear it?

I can hear it all over this city any Sunday.

Why does he not preach the Gospel?

He is *afraid*, that is the difficulty.

Now, listen!

God knows I love you. The strongest desire of my life is to see somebody saved. Could there be any richer reward than, in the Day of Judgment, to have some one stand there before God, and look up to you and say, "It was you who led me to Christ; I was an awful sinner, and it was your words that broke my heart and led me to repent"?

My friend, the first thing you have to do is to realize this afternoon that you are a sinner.

Secret Societies Should be Legally Abolished

Now then, if you are a Christian, all right. If you have taken the proper steps and have the witness of the Holy Ghost that you are a child of God, well and good; but if not, you are a sinner—you are a thief, you are a liar, you are unclean, you are guilty of fraud; you have been everything else but a true husband; you have been everything else but a good father; you have been out to the *Odd Fellows* on Monday night, instead of being at home with your wife and children; you have been out to the *Buffaloes* on Tuesday night, fooling around and playing the monkey; you have been out to the *Red Men* on Wednesday night; you have been out to the *Maccabees* on Thursday night; you have been out to the "Bumble Bees" on Friday night—and Saturday night you played the fool, you ass!

These secret societies, every last one of them ought to be swept out of existence! They ought to be prohibited by law! They have been the wreckers of homes, and the wreckers of many lives. Many a man took his first drink in a Masonic Lodge room; and many a man has gone from a Masonic Lodge room to the house of her who leads to hell.

Where are your preachers in Chicago who will preach against these things?

There are none! And there are very few people who want a man who will preach against them.

When some people hear me preach, they say, "That man Voliva ought to be hung!—I would like to help string him up! He ought to be shot!"

What for?

Is not that a great answer to my sermons?

That is a wonderful (?) answer!

Well, when I get through with Christian Science here they will think I ought to be hung.

You know, the question is not: Are Christian Scientists good looking?

People write to me and say, "They are a very fine looking lot of people."

Well, that is not the question I am discussing.

The question is not: Are Christian Scientists intelligent people?

The Question is: Is Christian Science Christian, or Unchristian and Antichristian?

I can prove to any level headed man or woman, in thirty minutes, that Christian Science denies the Bible from cover to cover; dethrones God Almighty; destroys Jesus the Christ; and brands the Bible as a tissue of lies and falsehoods.

Now then, when you realize that you are sinners—

Oh, you look very sweet this afternoon—very sweet. I have known a man and his wife to have a fight Sunday morning, and after she had pulled a handful of hair out of his head and he had cracked her in the jaw, they got ready and went to church and sat together, looking as heavenly as if nothing ever had happened.

I would not be surprised if some of you had quarreled this morning. Perhaps you kicked your shoe under the bed last night, and this morning when you could not find it you swore and tore around—"What did you do with my shoes? You're always throwing my shoes somewhere where I cannot find them!"

Is that the way you acted this morning?

I will warrant you it is!

Did you get up this morning and have family worship and pray together? Or did you get up and get a Sunday newspaper, eat oysters and pork chops, take a chew of tobacco, or smoke a cigar?

Is that what you did?

The next thing, men and women, you have to repent! And repentance does not mean shaking hands with "Billy" Sunday. There are tens of thousands who are shaking hands with "Billy" Sunday who are tumbling into hell, heels over head. They do not know any more about regeneration than a hog knows about Sunday.

Genuine Repentance the Beginning of the Christian Life

The first thing is a genuine repentance!

Godly sorrow!—You have told a lie, you have defrauded your employer, you know what you have done, and you are sorry for it.

Perhaps there is a man sitting back there with a woman by his side who is not his wife. Where did you get that woman, old man? You stole her, did you not? Your wife lives over on the south side, with those five little children of whom you are the father. She lost her looks and her charm after she bore you those children; and you got tired of her, you dirty, low-down hell-hound! You went to a theater, saw a two-legged thing bobbing around on the stage, and you made up your mind you would get her if you could; and you got her, and got nothing when you got her.

You took her home, and she had false hair, a glass eye, a wooden leg, and she had bought her complexion, and when she got ready to go to bed you did not know whether she was on the chair or in the bed.

There you sit!

How in the Name of God can you do it?

Now then, let tears come to your eyes as you think of that poor woman who was a good wife and mother and bore you those five children, you fool! And then go home this afternoon, repent of your sins, and go back to your wife.

That is repentance!

I will tell you, repentance means a great deal of cleaning up. It is something very practical.

Now, when "Billy" comes to Chicago the papers will say, "Ten Thousand Converts!"—and I would not furnish the powder to blow the whole ten thousand over the back-garden fence.

Ten thousand converts!

All the policemen and the judges and the lawyers and the doctors and the druggists get converted—hit the trail!

I will make that expression a hiss and a by-word; because "Billy" Sunday is damning the people by the multitudes.

Repentance!

Now, I love you, and I am very glad to shake hands with you; but that will not do you any good. You must repent of your sins! And if you are not willing to do that, you will go to hell!

People Persisting in Sin, Cast Into Hell

Christian Scientists may tell you there is no hell, but there is a hell! Where is it located? First of all, in your own breast; but the literal hell is beneath the earth. And when the time comes for you to die, a legion of lying spirits will hover around your carcass, ready to snatch your damned spirit and slide it down a greased plank into the bottomless pit.

Do not fool yourself by thinking there is no hell! Down in hell there is a reservoir full of tobacco juice, and when these old tobacco chewers go down there, they stand them in that reservoir until the juice comes up right around their ears. There is another reservoir there full of beer; and it foams more than any beer sold in Chicago.

In Havana I saw one of the greatest electric signs I have ever seen. It was a picture of an angel with a trumpet—a beautiful angel, in electric lights, with a trumpet. The angel was standing by a chariot, also in electric lights, and alternately the lights would go out and on, and the wheels would turn. On the other side was the name, in electric lights, of a certain beer. There was also a sky with a lot of stars. As this angel would blow the trumpet, there was a bottle of beer suspended, with a glass just below it, and that bottle would empty (all in electric lights), until the glass was filled to the brim and running over. Then it would settle down, and there would be a foam, and the lights would go out.

It was a marvelous sign, and they had it going on Sunday night—could not even shut it off Sunday night.

The devil is a great advertiser.

Thank God I never tasted beer, nor never will.

Well, there is a reservoir of beer in hell, and both men and women will have to swim in that beer—live in it day and night.

If you do not give your heart to God you will go where every word you hear is either vulgar or profane; and you will get your fill of tobacco and beer and whisky, and vulgarity and swearing, and all these horrible things in which the people who serve the devil revel.

You may try to think you are going to escape some way; but I want to tell you that the Bible plainly teaches that there is a hell!

The Righteous Borne by Angels Through Heaven's Gates

There is a Heaven, too. And when the righteous man comes to pass away he can hear the angels singing and playing, as they come to bear his immortal spirit away to the realms of glory upon their wings.

Oh, what a beautiful thought!

Remember, you will die as you live!

REPENT!

Do it now!

Do not go out of this Tabernacle and put it off!

Repent this afternoon!

Go and confess your wrongs—make them right, and then God will forgive you; you will be "born again," you will be regenerated, and you will become a "new creature" in Christ Jesus; the load will be taken away.

Here is the place for you!

Let me tell you something! God Almighty never did—and He never will—put a sweet, beautiful new-born spiritual babe into a dead church. He will never do it! God Almighty is through with these dead churches!

You may say, "I do not care what you say, my church is all right."

Well, what about the Episcopal Church today, for instance? It is permeated with worldliness.

I tell the bishops and all others who mouth a little old ceremony with no life and no power, I tell them from this platform that the Episcopal Church in Chicago is full of worldliness. And you do not dare deny it! I do not say there are not some saints left there; but, as an organization, it is full of dancing, card playing, theater going, smoking, and drinking; and it is not the church of God, but the church of the devil.

That is true of all of them.

We have come down to the close now. I do not care what anyone says, the end of the Age is upon us. The old Prophet, looking down to this time, said:

"What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded ZION, and in her shall the afflicted of His people find refuge."

Those of you who are children of God, and who are sick of the dancing and card playing and theater going and smoking and chewing and drinking—those of you who are tired of it, your place and your refuge is in ZION!

Zion, the Place of Refuge for God's People

The voice of God rings round the world, calling the people out of Babylon. And when they come out of Babylon, to what place shall they come?

To ZION!

God stands with His arms outstretched.

It will soon be over. It will not be long until some of you sitting here this afternoon will join the great procession; your race soon will be run.

How will it be with you when that time comes?

I plead with you, as a dying man unto dying men and women, to give your hearts to God; and do it today—now! Make the surrender!

Oh, what peace and what joy will come into your lives!

Get the ZION literature and read it. Get that picture of the six hundred and fifty children, youths and maidens, in ZION City, born without doctors and who have never tasted drugs—who know nothing but to trust and to love God. It is one of the greatest testimonies in all the world.

We will have another picture taken shortly, of all the mothers, with the children grouped around their feet who have been born in ZION.

I thank God that during my ten years' ministry in ZION City—and it is ten years today since I landed from Australia—only

three mothers in ZION have passed away. The doctors, in the *Chicago Tribune* a few weeks ago, reported that one-third of all women in childbirth, under the doctors' care, die, according to statistics.

ZION is not a theory!

ZION is a fact!

Oh, may God help us to get in tune with Him. As I looked at the wireless station at Keywest, I thought of how messages had been sent from the Naval Training Station, and had been taken up at Keywest. Then my prayer was, "O God, help me to get a body of people so attuned to God and Heaven that when they pray the message will be caught up instantly in Heaven."

When that is true God will speak the answer, and say "You are saved; you are healed!" And the message will be caught up by us on earth.

You must repent and clean up your lives—give up your tobacco; surrender your booze; get away from the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Now, all who are here today—and I thank God for the privilege of looking into the faces of this large audience—who want to get close to God and do what is right, stand up and pray with me. (Almost the entire congregation stood, and repeated after the General Overseer, clause by clause, the following prayer of consecration.)

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. Take me as I am. Make me what I ought to be, in spirit, in soul, and in body. Give me power to do right, no matter what it costs. Bless me today! Heal me! Bless my loved ones. Hear me, O God, in Jesus' Name and in the power of the Holy Spirit; Amen.

The General Overseer then pronounced the

B E N E D I C T I O N

May the grace of God the Father, the communion of the Holy Spirit the Comforter, the peace of the Blessed Christ, be with you one and all, and all of God's children everywhere. May Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. O Jesus, come!—yea, come quickly, and receive Thine own. In Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

Divine Healing in the Atonement

"Surely He hath borne our sickness, and carried our sorrows." (Isaiah 53:4)

"When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all that were sick:

"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." (Matthew 8:16, 17)

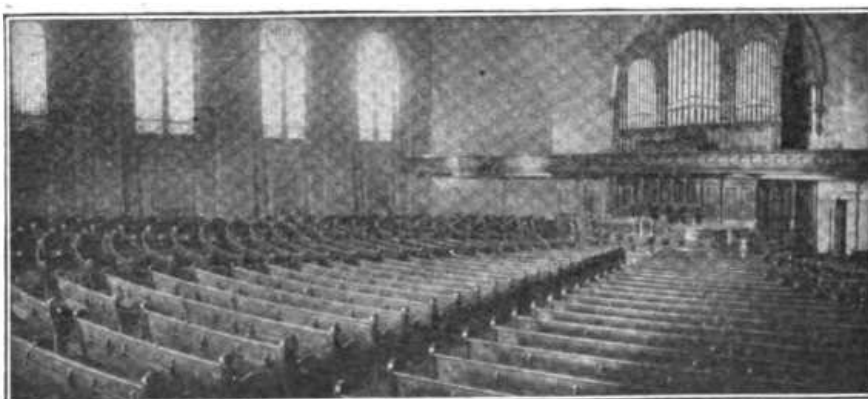
THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT (Galatians 5:22, 33)

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From the Evening
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program
Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles
 (Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
 of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
 Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple. The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.**GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

Miscellaneous Musical Program.

RESTORATION WORK

AUSTRALIA

Following are reports of Restoration Work done in the Cities of Hawthorn and Camberwell, Victoria, Australia:

Mr. J. H. Freer

Three months, ending March 10, 1916.	
Calls made	476
"Leaves of Healing" sold	7
"Leaves of Healing" given	129
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	31
Dr. Dowie's Tracts given	35
Messages given	708
Total pieces distributed	910

Elder J. A. Smith

Month ending March 27, 1916.

Special calls made	10
"Leaves of Healing" sold	63
"Leaves of Healing" given	220
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	37
Messages given	2000
Total pieces distributed	2320

SCOTLAND

Mr. E. Cox, Loan-Mulravonside, Linglithgow, Scotland, sends in the following report of Restoration Work done:

Calls made	16
"Leaves of Healing" given	24
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	4
Messages given	24
Messages mailed	14
Voice from Zion mailed	11
Voice from Zion given	1
Total pieces distributed	78

ILLINOIS

Evangelist Guy K. Neal sends in the following reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago:

Deaconesses Buhmann and Schelhorn

Week ending April 17, 1916.

Calls made	1800
"Leaves of Healing" sold	200
"Theocrats" given	200
Messages given	682
Total pieces distributed	1082

Mrs. Bullard and Mrs. Gillespie

Week ending April 8, 1916.

Calls made	2000
Messages given	2000

Mrs. F. Kemmerle and Mrs. Gillespie

4 weeks ending April 15, 1916.

Special calls made	6
"Leaves of Healing" sold	48
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	94
"Theocrats" given	200
Messages given	3600
Total pieces distributed	3942
10 weeks subscription to "Leaves of Healing"	1

Elder Fred Richert

Week ending April 2, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold	52
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Mrs. Molback

Month ending April 1, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" mailed	32
"Theocrats" mailed	31
Messages given	126
Total pieces distributed	189

Mr. Cornelius Olson

Two months ending April 2, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" given	20
Voice from Zion given	25
Messages given	1825
Total pieces distributed	1870

Mrs. Peetz and Mrs. Hinkston

Two weeks ending April 8, 1916.

Special calls made	3
"Leaves of Healing" sold	136
"Leaves of Healing" given	6
"Theocrats" given	5
Messages given	690
Total pieces distributed	837

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

Three weeks ending April 15, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold	171
"Leaves of Healing" given	38
"Theocrats" given	70
Messages given	300
Total pieces distributed	579

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyt of Hampton, Illinois, report the following Restoration Work done during the month of March 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	40
"Leaves of Healing" given	5
"Theocrats" given	4
Total pieces distributed	49

Mr. F. E. Bennet of Rockford, Illinois, reports the following Restoration Work done during 6 weeks, ending April 17th, 1916:

Calls made	181
"Leaves of Healing" sold	14
"Leaves of Healing" given	122
Messages given	271
Total pieces distributed	407

Dorothy and Willis Bumhard of Rockford, Illinois, report the following Restoration Work done during the month of March 1916:

Calls made	230
"Leaves of Healing" given	40
Messages given	230
Total pieces distributed	270

WASHINGTON

Miss Erickson, Mrs. Hickok, and Mrs. Brady report the following Restoration Work done in Spokane, Washington, during three months, ending March 31, 1916:

Calls made	182
"Leaves of Healing" sold	29
"Leaves of Healing" given	205
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	55
"Theocrats" given	39
Messages given	343
Total pieces distributed	671
Ten weeks subscription to "Leaves of Healing"	7

NEW YORK

The following is a report of Restoration Work done in the City of New York and in Brooklyn, during the month of March 1916, by Messrs George V. Ballegooyen, D. V. Giesen, W. Pinkett, E. Pinkett, Mrs. A. T. Bauer and Mrs. S. Camren:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	154
"Leaves of Healing" given	25
"Theocrats" given	6
Messages given	240
Total pieces distributed	425
Subscription to "Leaves of Healing"	3

TEXAS

Mrs. R. A. Ferrel of Dallas, Texas, reports the following Restoration Work done during the months of February and March 1916:

Special calls made	50
"Leaves of Healing" given	200
"Theocrats" given	8
Total pieces distributed	208

OHIO

Evangelist August Hammock sends in the following reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati:

Mrs. Atwood

Week ending March 19, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold	15
"Leaves of Healing" given	11
Total pieces distributed	26

Mrs. Wm. B. Barrowcliff and Mrs. B. B. Fulton

Three weeks ending April 8, 1916.

Calls made	138
"Leaves of Healing" sold	88
"Theocrats" given	100
Messages given	20
Total pieces distributed	208

Mrs. C. W. Fulton and Mrs. B. B. Fulton

Week ending April 8, 1916.

Calls made	35
"Leaves of Healing" sold	30
"Theocrats" given	31
Total pieces distributed	61

Mr. Chas. W. Fulton and Mr. Wm B. Barrowcliff

Three weeks ending April 8, 1916.

Calls made	105
"Leaves of Healing" sold	82
"Leaves of Healing" given	4
"Theocrats" given	50
Messages given	40
Total pieces distributed	176

Evangelist August Hammock

Two weeks ending March 30, 1916.

Calls made	215
"Leaves of Healing" sold	135
Mrs. Wamsley and Mrs. G. Hammock	
Week ending March 19, 1916.	
"Leaves of Healing" sold	15
"Leaves of Healing" given	5
Total pieces distributed	20

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

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In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

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in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	40 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 4	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 5	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 6	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 7	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 8	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 9	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 10	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 11	20 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 12	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 13	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 14	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 15	33.6 acres	225 per acre
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No. 6.	6-room house, basement, electric lights, nicely located,	1,600.00
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No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be' glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

SPECIAL NOTICE

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We have people on our list at present who are taking as high as twenty-five copies per week, others fifteen copies, some ten copies, some six, and some five copies per week. We desire to greatly increase this quantity list, and we trust that members and friends of Zion will respond heartily in this matter.

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All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

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Bible School - - - - at 2:00 P. M.
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Deacon William M. Wigham

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He sendeth His word

and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

PATIENCE

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD
EDITED BY WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

VOLUME XXXVIII. No. 7

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, MAY 13, 1916

Price Five Cents

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Wonderfully Healed of Consumption, and Cancer in Answer to Prayer

MIRACLES of Healing are still experienced by God's people in ZION.

We have been taught in ZION that our God is a Wonder-working God. One of the strongest proofs that can be given of the fact that God will still work miracles in behalf of His children is the Unchangeableness of God.

"I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed."—Malachi 3:6.

THE UNCHANGEABLENESS OF GOD

Once established the fact that miracles are possible in this world, and that they have been verified in an authentic way, then you have the assurance from the Unchangeable character of our God, that the same power of the Divine Being can and will intervene today in man's behalf when the required conditions have been met.

A miracle is an event which has taken place in the natural world, not through ordinary cause and effect, but as the result of direct Divine intervention.

To admit that miracles have taken place in the natural world, is to admit not only the existence of a Divine Being, but, furthermore, to admit that this Divine Being has a definite knowledge of, interest in, and control of the



MISS ATHOL IOLA MYHRE

affairs of the universe, and especially of man himself.

There never was a time when the existence and providence of God were called into question as they are today.

The devil knows full well that if he can succeed in leading any one into infidelity, skepticism, or agnosticism, then he will have full power to keep the spirit of such an one in darkness and sin—intellect and mind will be perverted and dwarfed, and the body made an abode of unclean desires, habits, and diseases.

HOW THE PEOPLE ARE KEPT IN BONDAGE

Satan is perfectly willing that man should contrive all sorts of measures, discoveries, and inventions for self-improvement. This often confirms man in his denial of God and of His promises, if he can be made to get along without communion with God.

Were this spirit prevalent outside the realm of the church, it would be lamentable enough; but what shall we say when we find this same tendency to deny Divine realities within the church itself? More slashing of the Holy Bible, more tearing out of its Sacred Pages, more shattering of its precious promises, is done in the pulpit today than is being done anywhere else.

The people, as a consequence, no longer believe in the Bible;

they no longer believe in God or in the devil; they neither expect heaven nor hell; they eat; they drink; they drag out their existence;—they die! and that ends all, they say!

ZION NECESSARY TO KEEP FAITH ALIVE

There was only one thing that God could do to keep faith alive upon the earth, and that was, to send His Prophet, John Alexander Dowie, to establish ZION in these latter days.

No one has ever questioned ZION's position upon any vital point regarding the Word of God. Whether ministers, scholars, and teachers agree with ZION's teaching on the Inspiration of the Scriptures, on a Divinely-called Ministry, on an Apostolic Church, whether they agree with ZION's teaching on Repentance, Salvation, Divine Healing, and Holy Living—is not the question; but it is a fact that they all must agree that ZION is merely sounding out the Old-time Religion; that ZION is basing all her claims upon the Word of the Ever-living God!

ZION has brought into existence a people that believe the Bible from the first of Genesis to the last chapter of Revelation.

No one in ZION has ever been known to make light of God's Holy Commandments; to doubt any of the wonder-working miracles recorded in the Old and New Testaments; or in any way reflect upon any one of the thousand and more precious promises made for God's holy people.

ZION STANDS OR FALLS WITH THE WORD OF GOD!

ZION believes that God HAS NOT CHANGED, and, therefore, as He of old wrought miracles in behalf of His people, so He will work signs and wonders to deliver His people today!

ZION believes that Jesus cleansed the leper, made the lame to walk, healed the paralytic, opened the eyes of the blind, unstopped the ears of the deaf, and raised the dead!

ZION, however, does not, like the churches, limit His miracles only to those recorded in the New Testament, but as we see the very same manifestation of the power of the Great Physician in the healing of the blind man at the Beautiful Gate, in the healing of Aeneas and of Paul's blindness, and the raising of Dorcas after the death and resurrection of the Christ, so we should expect, and must realize the same manifestations of His Presence and Power all through the Gospel Dispensation to the very end of the Age.

THE AUTHORITY FOR PRESENT-DAY MIRACLES TRACED

Notice the connecting links in the following passages of Scripture regarding the healing of the sick:—

(1) The Ministry of Jesus described:

"And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the KINGDOM, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people."—Matthew 4:23.

(2) The explanation of this Ministry given:

"How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him."—Acts 10:38.

(3) The authority for the continuation of miracles:

"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."—Matthew 28:20.

(4) The evidence of this continuation:

"And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following."—Mark 16:20.

(5) The assurance for their continuation today:

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever."—Hebrews 13:8.

By the strictest adherence to the rules of language and logic ZION bases her claims and evidences of miracles, in behalf of the sick and the dying, upon the connection established between the Living Son of God and His true and faithful followers in all the ages.

DIVINE HEALING A REALITY IN ZION

With ZION, the teaching of Divine Healing is not a theory, but a LIVING REALITY!

Young and old, children as well as parents, youths and maidens, are taught to trust God and to obtain deliverance from

disease, suffering, and death, in answer to prayer, by the Power of God.

On the front page appears the picture of one of ZION's royal generation, growing up in the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

Her face looks bright and happy; the evidence of health and happiness is apparent to all.

She is a member of ZION White-robed Choir, and as such rejoices to sing the praise of God in the sanctuary with hundreds of others.

Her picture and testimony appear in this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING because God has wrought a miracle of healing upon her body, and delivered her from those twin monsters, Consumption and Cancer, through which tens of thousands annually find an early grave.

She would have lost the battle had she depended upon doctors and drugs for the healing of these fatal diseases.

MIRACLES OF HEALING NOT OBTAINED BY COMPROMISE

Of special interest to one and all must be the strong faith, the resolute will, the indomitable courage, of which she gave evidence when fighting that cancer upon the lip. Many of us had seen her with that cancer protruding, as she says, one inch long from the lower lip, with its roots reaching to the lower part of the chin.

Would you, my reader, have been rooted and grounded in the faith of God so that, had you that cancer and had you been obliged to face her trials, you could have been assured of victory and healing?

Nothing short of a miracle could deliver her!

To compromise was to lose the victory forever!

A physician wanted her to have the cancer cut out by an operation; another person suggested corn salve; still another wanted her to tie a silk cord around it.

Let the word of her testimony ring out over all the world and reach many who are fighting terrible battles with disease, suffering, and death!

Read and read again the words: "I made up my mind that I would go to my grave rather than compromise, because I knew that God was willing and able to heal me."

This is what Jesus meant when He said: "Have faith in God."

This is the cry of a child trusting God to work a miracle of healing!

THE CANCER WAS KILLED IN ANSWER TO PRAYER

The General Overseer offered the prayer of faith, and God heard and answered. The cancer was killed, its roots were withered, the works of the devil were destroyed; and God was glorified!

Another miracle of healing added to the large number of mighty wonders wrought upon the sick in ZION!

The "Little White Dove"—LEAVES OF HEALING—has encouraged many of God's afflicted people to trust God for an uttermost salvation and healing.

Never give up in the fight! Never compromise! Never falter or waver! Never doubt or fear!

REPENT, CONFESS, RESTORE, BELIEVE, TRUST, AND OBEY GOD!

"I love to tell the Story!

More wonderful it seems,
Than all the golden fancies
Of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the Story!
It did so much for me!
And that is just the reason,
I tell it now to thee.

I love to tell the Story
'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the Story;
For some have never heard
The message of Salvation
From God's Own Holy Word."

APOSTLE ANTON DARMS.

Testimony of Miss Athol Iola Myhre.

641 Carmel Boulevard,
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS.
April 29, 1914.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I have felt for a long time, that I ought to tell what God has done for me—how I was healed of consumption and of cancer.

It was during the summer of 1911 that I contracted a cold, which settled on my lungs. This state of affairs soon caused bronchial trouble, which lasted for some time; and, later developed into consumption.

I began school in September and, after two weeks had elapsed, began to feel very weak—in fact, so weak that it was with great difficulty I walked from my home to the school. During school hours, I would sit weak and listless, scarcely caring whether I studied or not. At times I would have such coughing spells that I had to leave the schoolroom, and, once out of the room, would have to sit down in the hall or on the stairs to rest. But I was determined not to give up.

A pain in my chest troubled me all the time, and I was continually raising a great deal of phlegm.

I was sinking fast, and realized that if something was not done soon I would be laid away in my grave before long.

One night, it came to me that surely my life on earth was not to be ended so quickly; and, also, that if I trusted my God and Father perfectly He would raise me up. Part of that night I spent in prayer, and when at last I fell asleep it was with the assurance that the disease would soon be gone.

The next Lord's Day morning, at our Bible Class, I requested Elder Moot to pray for me. This he did, and by the next Tuesday I was feeling perfectly well, although a little weak. My appetite returned, and it seemed at times that I could not get enough to eat.

When I began school that September I weighed about 130 pounds, and in less than two months I had lost nearly 30 pounds; but after my healing I regained all that I had lost.

After all this, the devil was not through with me. One day in January, 1913, I fell, striking my head against the wall in such a way that I bit my lip. The wound did not heal and I caught cold in it. Then it began to swell, and finally a piece of flesh began to grow out from the lip.

After it became the size of a pea, the growth began to secrete a fluid, which at times would be so profuse that I could not eat. I would have to hold a handkerchief to my mouth to absorb this matter. At other times, the fluid would cake and form scabs, which would scale and drop off.

A certain physician who had seen me asked permission to examine the growth, and told me that it was a cancer, advising me at the same time to have it cut out. I replied that I trusted God perfectly for my healing, and that no doctor, or any one else for that matter, could shatter my faith in Him.

During the summer the cancer grew, until it was about an inch long and about three-quarters of an inch in diameter, with roots reaching to the lower part of my chin. It was frightful, and I was ashamed to be seen with it. On account of it being in such a conspicuous place, it was very embarrassing.

Different persons made the suggestions that I should cut it off, or treat it with some medicine; one person even suggesting corn salve. Another person suggested that I tie a silk cord around it and kill it in that way. I made up my mind that I would rather go to my grave than compromise, because I knew that God was willing and able to heal me.

One Lord's Day about the latter part of August, I requested you to pray for me, and on that day my healing began. In about a month's time the cancer was almost gone. I could not feel the roots any more, the pulsations had ceased entirely, and there was nothing left on my lip but a small scar.

I cannot thank my Heavenly Father one half enough; and I pray that this testimony may help some poor sufferer to see the True Light—that Jesus is the same today, and is as willing to heal and care for us as He was when here on earth in person.

I also wish to thank you and the many kind friends for the earnest prayers offered in my behalf.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) "ATHOL IOLA MYHRE."

Confirmatory Testimony of Deacon and Mrs. E. G. Nelson

641 Carmel Boulevard,
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS.
April 29, 1914.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

It gives us great pleasure to confirm the testimony of our niece, Athol.

All she has written is true, and much more could be added. Her faith did not fail, and she has been a great inspiration to us, as we saw her in all stages of her afflictions.

She has been with us since she was one-and-a-half years old, and is the same to us as our own.

God has done great things for her, for which we praise Him; and she is a true and faithful girl in all her ways. For that, too, we thank God.

We might also add that God has never failed us in all our trials, and we know that if we are faithful and true, He will never fail us.

We have had some wonderful healings and blessings, both before and after joining ZION, but time will not permit us to write our testimonies now. In God's Own time we will write them.

Now, dear reader, we pray that this testimony may be of some help to you.

Yours in the Christ,

(Signed) "DEACON AND MRS. E. G. NELSON."

Psalm One Hundred Twenty One

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He Who keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, He Who keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy Keeper: the Lord is thy Shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.—Psalm 121.

The Covenant of Divine Healing

THERE ARE TWO PARTIES TO THIS COVENANT. You are the Party of the First Part; God is the Party of the Second Part. You as the Party of the First Part, agree to do the following:

- (1) To diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God.
- (2) To do that which is right in His sight.
- (3) To give ear to His commandments.
- (4) To keep all His statutes.

God, as the Party of the Second part—after you, as the Party of the First Part, have fulfilled your part of the covenant—agrees to do His part, namely, that He will protect you and you will never be sick. (Exodus 15:26)

He sendeth His word and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus' Name



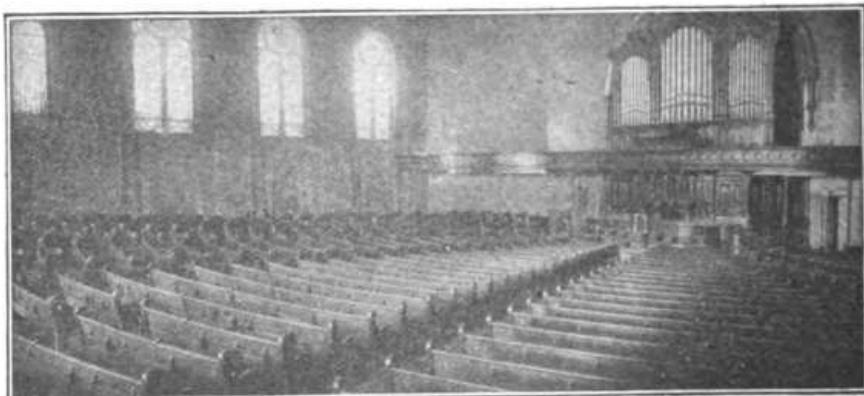
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The Blessings of a Full Redemption for Spirit, Soul and Body

**Report of the Divine Healing Address Delivered in Central Zion Tabernacle,
Chicago, Illinois, Tuesday Afternoon, November 9, 1915.**

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

The General Overseer opened the service by announcing hymn No. 82—"LORD JESUS, I LONG TO BE PERFECTLY WHOLE."

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want Thee forever, to live in my soul;
Break down every idol, cast out every foe;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Cho:

Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, look down from Thy throne in the skies,
And help me to make a complete sacrifice;
I give up myself, and whatever I know—
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, for this I must humbly entreat;
I wait, blessed Lord, at Thy crucified feet,
By faith, for my cleansing, I see Thy blood flow—
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, Thou seest I patiently wait;
Come now, and within me a new heart create;
To those who have sought Thee, Thou never said'st No—
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Hymn No. 593—"SAVIOR, MORE THAN LIFE TO ME," was then sung, after which Elder Huston offered

P R A Y E R

Our Father, and our God, we bow in Thy Presence to bless Thy Holy Name for Thy love and Thy tender mercies to us. We praise Thee for Thy promises to Thy children—to those who love and serve Thee.

O Father, we have come here this day, in Thy Name, to learn more of Thy truths and to learn to do Thy will more perfectly.

We pray Thee to bless us as we are gathered here in this meeting. Be present by Thy Holy Spirit, and as Thy servant opens Thy Word and talks to the people of Thee, may their hearts be open to receive the truth.

We pray that many blessings may come to those who draw nigh unto Thee at this time.

O God, may this City be stirred! Bless the message as it goes out on the printed page, and may the people be instructed and built up.

Once again we pray Thee to be present in this meeting; for Thou hast promised to be with those who meet together in the Name of Jesus. Amen.

Conductor and Mrs. Thomas then sang the Duet—"DEAR SPIRIT, LEAD ME," after which the General Overseer delivered the following

A D D R E S S

GENERAL OVERSEER: I will read in God's Inspired Word, first in the 13th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke, beginning with the 10th verse. I desire you to pay particular attention to the 16th verse.

I was talking, on Lord's Day afternoon, to a person who told me this interesting story:

There was a young lady on the train running from Portland to San Francisco, and she was crying. Across the aisle from her there sat a middle-aged lady (who lives in Oakland, California, and whom I happen to know, as she has visited in Zion City); and observing that this young woman was weeping, she stepped across the aisle and spoke very kindly to her and endeavored to comfort her.

One of the first things this young woman told her, was, that she was a confirmed infidel—that she did not believe in God at

all. And then she told her how it had all been brought about.

In her childhood she had been a Christian. A certain little girl, with whom she had gone to school and who had been her bosom companion, was taken very sick, and finally she was given up to die. This young lady was sent for, and when she arrived at her friend's bedside she was just passing away.

After her death she refused to be comforted. Different ones tried to console her, and comfort her, but she refused to be comforted.

False Ministers Make Infidels by Accusing God of Evil

At last a minister came in and began to talk to her, and, among other things, he said that God had caused the death of her companion.

She replied: "Then I *hate* God! And from this time on I will never believe there is any God."

"And so," she said, "I am on my way to San Francisco, having just received word that an uncle of mine has died."

This lady quoted to her some Scripture. Among other verses that she quoted to her was this 16th verse of the 13th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke; and she gave her some ZION messages, and the name and address of the ZION officer then located in the City of San Francisco.

A few weeks after this the ZION officer received a letter from her, and he went to see her and taught her the Word of God. He stated to her that that minister had told her a lie, when he said to her that God had taken away her loved one.

Now, there was a time when it would have seemed a dreadful thing for anyone to say, "Your minister told you a lie."

What this minister said to her made her an infidel—an unbeliever. If there were such a being as God, she had, in her heart, an inveterate hatred for Him; for she said, within herself, "If God could kill a young girl like that—if this is God's work—then I hate God."

I have no doubt that practically every one who comes to these meetings, both Tuesday and Lord's Day afternoons, young, middle-aged, and old, has been taught that same false doctrine. And I have no doubt that by far the majority who come to these meetings for the first time, believe that kind of teaching. They have been taught it from their childhood days—taught it in the Sunday schools, heard it from the pulpits, and listened to it at funeral services especially.

Zion Repudiates Many False Teachings of the Apostasy

Here is one place, at the very outset, where ZION takes issue with the rank and file of so-called ministers and preachers.

We say to you, that if you believe God put your affliction upon you—whether it is cancer, consumption, lameness, blindness, deafness, or whatever it is—if you believe God Almighty is the Author of it, and that He put it upon you, then the first thing, you have to be shown that you are wrong—that you are falsely accusing God.

I do not see how I can consistently pray for the healing of any person who still clings to this false belief; or, how I can pray for a child in response to the request of a father, or of a mother who still clings to the false belief, that God is the Author and the Source of all of these terrible things.

I call attention to this because it is very vital, and I desire you to pay close attention as I read the Word of God; for it is more important than what I shall say.

Every Tuesday, from week to week, we will read quotations from God's Word, from both the Old and the New Testa-

ments. We will read the old, old story, that never grows old, of how Jesus, when He was here upon the earth, went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed—of whom?

(People. "Of the devil.")

Here in this 13th chapter of St. Luke, we have the story, nineteen centuries old and more, of a woman who had been afflicted for eighteen years—and that is a long while—and who was made whole instantly by Jesus.

And He was upbraided for healing her on the Sabbath Day.

In the 16th verse, He settles once and for all, for everybody who believes the Word of God, who it is that afflicts humanity.

Jesus Heals the Woman With a Spirit of Infirmity

Beginning with the 10th verse:

"And He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.

"And, behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.

"And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, *thou art loosed from thine infirmity.*"

There is a simple command of Jesus the Christ, to Whom (as I quoted here Lord's Day afternoon—Matthew 28:19) God has given all authority in Heaven and on earth.

He commanded that she be loosed from her infirmity.

"And He laid His hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

"And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the Sabbath Day,—"

Now, we must stand absolutely against all Sabbath desecration, but it is always right to do good on the Sabbath Day.

I would not ride on a train on the Sabbath Day for any other purpose than doing good to humanity. You have no right to spend one minute on the Sabbath Day in pleasure-seeking. No Christian would think of going out on the Sabbath Day in any conveyance of any kind, on any other mission than that of doing good. If you do, you commit sin.

There is very little observance of the Sabbath among the people of today. The vast majority have no regard for the Sabbath Day, and they do and act the same on that day as on any other day of the week.

However, God will hold accountable the individual, the community, the nation, that disobeys and disregards His Word.

The Sabbath Day an Opportunity for Doing Good

Jesus healed this woman on the Sabbath Day, and He gave forth the utterance, which it will be well for us to remember, that it is always lawful, or right, to do good on the Sabbath Day.

"And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the Sabbath Day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the Sabbath Day.

"The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering?

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, WHOM SATAN HATH BOUND, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day?"

There is the declaration, and that settles the question once and for all.

Now, when anybody tells you there is no devil, and no such a person as Satan, whom are you going to believe—Jesus the Christ, or the men and women who make such assertions?

When individuals make the statement that there is no devil, no Satan, no arch-enemy of mankind; that he is a fiction, a myth, a nothingness—they give the lie to the Word of God. If you follow a man in such teaching, you will pay the penalty.

Jesus the Christ, Who was God Himself, made the declaration that this woman had been bound by Satan—the devil.

There are people who are bound, who are not sick—I do not think this woman was sick, neither was she afflicted or diseased. This woman had a spirit of infirmity, which bowed her down and held her down. That is true of deafness, of blindness, of lameness, and of weakness.

There are numerous cases where there is no disease, where there is no affliction; but where the person is bound down in slavery by the spirit of the devil.

"— Ought not this woman * * * whom SATAN HATH BOUND—"

There are people in bed today, who have been there, some of them, for ten years, who are *bound* by the devil.

There is nothing the matter with a great many people—no affliction, no disease—nothing the matter with them except that they have yielded to the devil, until he has control of them and they are under his influence.

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day?"

"And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people were rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him."

That 16th verse is a wonderful verse, and it ought to settle the question, as to who it is that afflicts mankind, forever in your mind.

God Almighty never made anybody sick!

Never!

The devil is the author of all disease and affliction. Furthermore, God Almighty never was the Author of the death of anybody.

The Devil Exercises the Power of Death

Let us settle, by the Word of God, the question as to who it is that has the power of death. You will find that in Hebrews 2:14—

"Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same: that through death He might destroy *Him that had the power of Death, that is, THE DEVIL.*"

That settles the question as to who is the author of death. So that we can truthfully and logically say: No devil, no sin; no sin, no sickness; and no sin, no death.

I trust that no one will come to any of these meetings, and go away, ever again to make the foolish and absurd and false statement, that God is the Author of affliction and disease and sickness and death; for it is not true.

Not one of you would accuse your mother of intentionally giving you the smallpox; nor would any of you accuse a loving father of purposely breaking his boy's arm. No father, no mother, would do such things. But do you realize that when you are accusing God of being the Author of sickness and disease and death, that you are accusing Him of something of which you would not accuse an earthly father or mother?

You very well know that if a child enters this world with a strong, vigorous body, with pure, wholesome blood, with a sound mind, and if that child lives a true, earnest life, and abstains from sin and evil practices, he will grow to be a strong, vigorous boy, and an energetic, healthy man. You know that as well as I do.

Now, when I say that it is possible to live without sickness, without disease, without pain, that is the plain teaching of the Word of God. And it does not matter, my friend, whether you have reached that place, or whether I have reached it, or whether anyone has ever reached it, the fact that we have not attained to it does not prove it is not within the range of possible things.

Provision for Divine Healing Made in Christ's Atonement

The fact that centuries elapsed before electricity was seized and utilized for lighting cities, was no proof that electricity had not existed in the universe from the dawn of creation.

The fact that it is only recently that they have been able to send messages by wireless telegraphic apparatus, *does* not prove that the necessary elements of the atmosphere were not always there.

The fact that it is only recently that they have been able to communicate by wireless telephony, does not prove that it could not have been done thousands of years ago. Whatever it is that is used in place of wires for the carrying of sound, the transmission of sound, have always been there—from the time God created the Heaven and the earth.

And the fact that multitudes are sick and diseased and afflicted, is no proof that the healing power is not there for everybody, if they will only reach forth their hands, in accordance with God's promises, and claim it.

The fact of the matter is, the people are living millions of miles beneath their privileges—far away from their opportunities.

In the Lord Jesus Christ every good thing has been provided, and it is there if we will only claim it.

Many verses of Scripture have been running through my mind as I have thought of this meeting. The Bible is the one Book I read to the exclusion of all others; for we find there the words of eternal life—the revelations of Almighty God to men and concerning men, and their temporal and eternal welfare.

I have been thinking of the great love of God; and He loves us in spite of our sins and shortcomings—He loves us when we are not very lovable.

Jesus said of man, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."—John 15:13. But did Jesus the Christ lay down His life for His friends? No! He laid down His life for His *enemies*; and He loved us when we were in sin and far away from God—repulsive, repugnant, and deserving only of death, which is separation from God.

And so He said of us, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

We love Jesus, because He first loved us; and if we could only realize a millionth part of the love God has shown to us, it seems to me that it would be a mighty magnet to draw us closer to Him. But the rank and file have no conception of His love, and they have crowded God out of their thoughts.

There never was a time since the beginning of creation, when men were exalting themselves as they are today; when men were so boastful of their accomplishments, as they are today.

Man's Greatest Inventions Only Discoveries of God's Hidden Powers

Why, man never created wireless telegraphy! God created it. Man never created wireless telephony! God created it. Man never created anything! These great inventions are only the *discoveries* of God's hidden power, which is being revealed at this time as a preparation for the ushering in of the Millennium; for it will be Jesus the Christ, Himself, Who will utilize wireless telegraphy in ruling and subduing the whole world, and bringing it into complete subjection. And just as before His first coming, by the conquest of Alexander the Great, the Greek language was diffused, Rome was mistress of the world, and universal peace reigned; so, today God has brought to light wireless telegraphy, wireless telephony, and numerous other inventions, as so many units in the preparation for the coming of the reign of Jesus the Christ.

"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.

God is Love!

And John, in the third chapter of His First Epistle, exclaims:

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: * * *

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is."

The love of God is not shown any more clearly than under the title of "Shepherd." In the 11th verse of the 40th chapter of Isaiah, there is that marvelous description of God, where it is declared:

"He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young."

And then in the Twenty-third Psalm; in the 10th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John; and in various other places, by using the figure of a shepherd, an effort has been made to make plain, to the minds of men and women, the indescribable love, tenderness, compassion, and pity of God our Father.

We do not deserve anything! If any one of you thinks, "I am worthy of this or that"—be relieved of that thought once and for all.

The Privilege of God's Children to Obtain a Full Redemption

You and I are not *worthy* of the least of God's blessings. We are full of imperfections, and guilty of many shortcomings. Even the best men confess that they have simply wandered around the outer rim of the inner circle of God Almighty's Presence; and none have, as yet, entered into the Secret Place—the very center of God's Presence and God's love—where there is no sin, no sickness, no disease, and no death.

Oh, as I think of God's promises!

Coming over into the New Testament, and starting in to read the Book of Matthew, we come into the Sermon on the Mount, and we have the Beatitudes, where Jesus says: "Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN"—and so on through the nine Beatitudes:

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

"Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake."

Now, suppose the question should be asked of you this afternoon, "Do you profess to be a Christian?"—and suppose you answer, "Yes."

Have you ever suffered any persecution for Christ's sake? You have come to the Divine Healing meetings in this Tabernacle, but have you told anybody? Have you met with any opposition?

Why, every step you take in the Christian life is contested! No sooner was Jesus born in Bethlehem, than the devil was right there to destroy His life, in the person of the wicked old king, the usurper; and in his efforts to destroy the Infant Jesus, he issued that vile decree, and destroyed all the male children two years of age and under, in Bethlehem and the borders of Bethlehem.

Satan Seeking Man's Destruction through Many Temptations

And again, we find the devil tempting Jesus when He was hungry; trying to get him to misuse His power, working through the channel of *appetite*.

Millions have been destroyed by appetite, and millions are being destroyed by uncontrollable appetites. That is what we are up against in teaching the people, and in praying with them.

The first temptation the devil presented was through the channel of appetite—seeking to get Jesus to misuse His power, and to make bread out of stones.

Then he sought to get Him to commit the sin of presumption, by casting Himself down from the pinnacle of the temple.

The next thing, he wanted Jesus to do was to worship him, and he promised Him all the kingdoms of the world, if He would only fall down and worship him.

I want you to take this thought home with you, and never forget it. What is the main purpose of the devil? The main purpose of the devil is to get men and women to worship him.

And so he offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, if He would only worship him.

What does he offer men today?

Political honor, wealth, the plaudits of the world, the reward of men, if they will only fall down and worship him; and that is what the masses are doing today.

In this same Sermon on the Mount—which you ought to read every day, until you know it by heart—Jesus said: "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." And he spoke the truth when he said it. You *cannot* serve God and mammon—you cannot serve two masters; and that is the reason why, in my sermons on Lord's Day afternoons, I say that you have to draw the line between the church and the world.

I am beginning, more than ever in my life, to consider very seriously whether a man can be a Christian and chew and smoke tobacco.

It is a serious question!

It is not because I want this or want that—because all I want is *GOD'S WAY*.

But I submit to you, in passing, that after a man has been "born again," has become a new creature in Christ Jesus, and has crucified the old man and put on the new man—I do not see how that man can be a Christian and smoke and chew tobacco.

I do not see it!

The Use of Tobacco Inconsistent with the Christian Profession

If smoking and chewing tobacco is not a *work of the flesh*, what is it?

Now, if it is right to say that such a man can be a Christian, I will say it; but if it is not right, I will not say it.

It makes me doubt very seriously whether he can possibly be a Christian, when I read in the Word of God passages of Scripture like this one:

"And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him."—Colossians 3:17.

If I have the proper understanding of this, it simply means that every word should be spoken, and every deed should be done in the Name of the Lord Jesus.

Well now, can a man smoke a pipe in the name of the Lord Jesus?

Can a man chew tobacco in the Name of the Lord Jesus?

That is my challenge!

And while we are fighting booze, why not be consistent and fight these other things, and make a clean sweep of the whole business?

I remember that as a boy I used to sit and listen to a certain minister preach; and one time at the close of his sermon, as he announced the invitation hymn—a hymn inviting sinners to come to Jesus—he pulled out of his pocket one of those old-fashioned tobacco pouches, and took out a big wad of tobacco and stuck it in his mouth; then he stood there and chewed it while they finished the invitation hymn.

You can imagine something of the impression that made on my child-mind.

We are all more or less imitators.

My brothers and sisters, that is the reason you ought to be very careful of your conduct. Somebody is watching you, and every word you speak has its influence on somebody; your every act influences somebody.

Everything in Life to be Done to God's Glory

There is another verse that I want to couple with this one. It is in the 10th chapter of First Corinthians, the 31st verse:

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

How can that man drink whisky and eat tobacco—

You say, "Do men eat tobacco?"

Yes, they eat it and swallow the juice. Many a man never spits as he chews tobacco; he swallows the juice—makes a tobacco tub out of his stomach.

Notice this verse!

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

That sums up the whole thing.

My brothers and sisters, in order to get salvation, which comes from God, we have to meet certain conditions; just as, in order to get this light, there are many conditions that have to be met.

✓ The study of electricity is very interesting; although there is nobody on earth who knows what it is. Some say it is a fluid; others say it is not. I do not know what it is; but God Almighty knows, and man has been given wisdom enough to lay hold of it and utilize it for propelling machinery, for running street cars, for lighting buildings and cities, and for a great many other things. Isn't it glorious? Oh, thank God for electricity! How many other things there are, around in God's creation, that we have not yet discovered and are not utilizing, I do not know.

Daniel says of the last days, "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."

I do not believe, according to God's Word, that there is any healing for anybody who is not saved. There is no healing for anyone who is not saved!

You say, "Didn't you teach here the other Tuesday afternoon that the devil healed?"

I said this, that the Bible declares that in the last days false prophets, evil spirits, will show great signs and wonders, in order to damn the spirits of men.

If he can get you to accept false doctrines, the devil who has bound you, in order to get a greater hold on you, and particularly to damn your spirit, may release his hold upon your body.

That is the plain teaching of the Word of God.

Salvation Must Precede Divine Healing

However, I say again, there is no Divine Healing of an affliction or a disease, except for the saved; and I would not, know-

ingly, pray for any person's healing who was not saved. I have no right to—no right whatever! And neither have you any right, and you will get no results if you do.

In these meetings, all these years since God unveiled ZION before the world, the teaching has not varied. Salvation first—that is the important thing; healing next.

God begins on the spirit, and He works from the center to the circumference. His work begins on the spirit, and finally extends to the body, which is the temple or the tabernacle of the immortal spirit which proceeds from God.

Now then, in this Sermon on the Mount, after the Beatitudes, Jesus said to His humble disciples—and I want you to think of it, and consider it: "Ye are the salt of the earth"—"Ye are the light of the world."

Of course, there are few people who have any conception of ZION, as set forth in prophecy. They think ZION was created by John Alexander Dowie; that it is the work of some brilliant man—some great intellect.

Nothing was ever more absurd!

ZION, that exists today, is simply the fulfillment of scores of prophecies made thousands of years ago; and the time has now come for them to be fulfilled.

No man originated the model, or the plan, and no man is the author of ZION. ZION is the unfolding of prophecy; and I say it is the light of the world.

After a man has listened to sermons in ZION, and read the literature, let him test the teaching by the Word of God, and see whether the ZION trumpet has any uncertain sound on any of these questions or propositions.

What is meant by being the light of the world?

Why, it means that we are declaring God's TRUTHS! And there is not one of the truths of God that is not being challenged today—by whom? Not by Bob Ingersoll, not by professed infidels; but by professed MINISTERS, and by theological seminaries. They have not left one truth unchallenged!

Zion Declares the Unchangeable Covenants of God's Word

Therefore, ZION proclaims GOD; ZION proclaims the inspiration of the Bible; ZION demands repentance of all men—which is the true teaching of the Word of God.

ZION tells you, as I told you in the beginning, that it is a lie to say that God is the Author of loathsome disease; that there is no disease in God; that God never was the Author of any disease.

It is a lie to say that God is the Author of thorns and briars and thistles and bugs, that destroy vegetation. They are a part of the curse; God is not the Author of them.

God is the Author of GOOD! God is the Author of life, and of salvation, and of peace—He is the Author of everything that is pure and noble and uplifting.

There is not a line in the Bible to justify anyone in accusing God of being the author of typhoid fever, or of any other disease.

Of course, sometimes I think the devil gets blamed for a lot more than his share. You know, sometimes typhoid fever is caused by throwing dish-water in the yard. The sun shines upon it, and it festers and rots, and creates a miasma which, when it is inhaled or taken in through drinking water, creates typhoid fever.

I remember one time in Ohio they had several cases of diphtheria, and it all started in a kitchen sink.

Smallpox is nothing but a disease of dirt and filth. People who live clean lives, and have clean surroundings and proper sanitation and hygienic conditions, never will be attacked by smallpox.

Of course, there are some clean people who come down with it, because they have dirty people around them. But what I say is true—it is a disease of dirt and filth.

Smallpox originated in the cow barn—horse barn. Horse grease, on the heels of horses, and cowpox—there is the beginning of smallpox; because it is nothing but cowpox. A cow has cowpox, and a man has smallpox; but it is "pox" all the same.

If I ever could get a ZION settlement, where they were all Christians, with no outside interference, with proper houses and proper sanitation, I will guarantee there never would be any sickness in that settlement.

God has made Provision for the Removal of all Sickness

The Word of God promises that, if the people will be faithful, God will take all sickness from their midst; and it is written

of the Children of Israel, that there was a time when there was not one feeble person, or one sick person, among their tribes. (Psalm 105:37.)

It is a matter of right living, right thinking, proper eating, and proper sanitation.

That is what it is!

Some people ask me, "Do you believe disease is real?"

Absolutely!

"Do you believe sickness is real?"

Yes!

"Do you believe in sanitation?"

The strictest sanitation possible!

Why the greatest advocate of sanitation the world ever saw was Moses; and, I will tell you, we would do well to follow, in detail, the instructions of Moses.

Moses tells us, among other things, not to eat pig; tells us not to eat fish that are without fins and scales; and he gives us a list of all that we should and should not eat. He gives full details as to how men ought to live; and, I will tell you, it has never been surpassed, either.

It is wonderful that in ZION CITY Leases there is incorporated all of the restrictions mentioned in the Fourteenth chapter of Deuteronomy, and it is made plain that the land is not to be used for anything forbidden to be eaten in Deuteronomy.

Every time one quotes any of the Old Testament, some people say, "Oh, but that was the old Mosaic Law."

Why, the ministers, nearly all of them, preach against ZION's teaching on swine's flesh; and they have tried to prove by the Bible that people ought to eat it.

They say we have a right to eat swine's flesh, because Peter saw a sheet let down from Heaven by four corners, with all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air; and God said, "Rise, Peter; slay, and eat."

Now, if that proves that the hog is all right to eat, it proves that snakes, and all the animals are all right; because they were all in there.

It was simply a vision to teach Peter a lesson about the nations, which were to share alike in the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Earnestness Demanded to Obtain Blessings from God

My brothers and sisters, if you are going to trust God for healing, then you have to do certain things; and it is not a hard pathway nor a rough road to travel, for the man or woman who wants to do right.

You may be in comparative darkness on a great many things, but if in your heart you are prepared to tell God, "I vow that I will walk in all the light You give me," God will take your vow.

You will get nothing from God in a half-hearted manner. If you have come to this meeting to trust God for healing, you must make up your mind that you are going to stay in this pathway through thick and thin, and against all opposition, no matter what anybody says—no matter what comes.

I will tell you this, you cannot expect any healing from God if you are still hanging on to doctors and drugs. The Word of God and doctors and drugs do not go hand in hand—that is all there is to it!

I have nothing of my own to say. I give you the plain Word of God.

No man has an power to heal. When a man says, "I healed so-and-so," he states a falsehood. Men can no more heal people, than they can save them.

There are just two Beings Who have life independent—God the Father, and God the Son. God gave it unto the Son to have life in Himself.

What can anyone do with life?

You talk about being able to restore life; but you cannot do anything of the kind. You can DESTROY life, and that is what they are doing all over this world, with their accursed drugs and knives—they are destroying life.

However, when they talk about being able to restore life, they are talking nonsense. There is only One Who can restore life—God Almighty. As the Psalmist says in the 23rd Psalm: "He restoreth my soul"—or my life.

You can destroy, you can dwarf, you can stunt; but you cannot promote growth.

You could not make anybody grow if you tried, and you

could not make yourself grow if you tried—we do not grow by trying.

Jesus said: "Consider the lilies of the field, *how they grow*: they toil not, neither do they spin."

Growth is an Unconscious Process

What can you do? You are helpless—powerless.

It is declared, "I am the Lord Who healeth thee;" and the command is, "Thou shalt have no other gods before Me."

I am against the medical gods, first, last and always—absolutely! God has nothing to do with them—absolutely nothing to do with them!

Why, nine out of every ten who come to ZION to be prayed with for deafness—who made them deaf? They were made deaf by the doctors and the accursed drugs.

It is just as one medical writer says in that tract of mine: "Drugs do but cure one disease by producing another." And that is right.

I say to you this afternoon, from the Word of God, and from the testimonies of the doctors themselves, if you want to get your healing and get well, vow to your God that you will trust Him and that you are done with doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives, patent medicines, and all the rest of the infernal muck. Then you will begin to live—LIVE. You do not know what life is until you get to that place.

Going around with heart trouble, with rheumatism, with this, that, and the other thing, and talking about it, and nursing it, and sleeping with it—oh, think of it!

Get your eyes on God! Learn to think of God, of Jesus the Christ, of the Holy Spirit, of righteousness, of life, of Heaven! That is the atmosphere in which to live.

Let your conversation be in heavenly places.

I have already prayed with some people who have come here on Tuesday afternoons—prayed with them too quickly, I think. I should have put them off two or three weeks. What is the use to pray for individuals unless they mean business? They will not get anything from God.

You cannot reserve anything in your mind. I remember a young fellow with whom I prayed in the Prayer Room in Zion City. I said to him, "Have you given up all trust in doctors and drugs?" He said, "While I am in ZION CITY." I said, "There is no use to pray for you, my friend, none whatever!"

If you are going to worship laudanum, and lean upon pills and these accursed drugs of the devil, you will get nothing from God. You must make a clean sweep, and you might just as well do it one time as another.

The Accursed Use of Drugs Must be Abolished by God's People

It is a part of my mission to get people to give up their idols and turn to the Living God. Royall and Viking are in China today. When they go into inland China they see hundreds and thousands of idols, and altars erected for idol worship. But those poor people are no worse than they are right here in Chicago!

No doubt there are some of you sitting right here who are worshipping a box of pills, and saying, "I cannot live without them."

Shame on you!

I can live by the grace of God—in Whom I live, move, and have my being.

I say, while John Alexander Dowie deserves one of the greatest encomiums ever bestowed upon any man, for the many things brought to this old world, one thing for which his name will be honored and blessed by multitudes in all the nations, is the deliverance he brought from bondage to doctors and these accursed drugs.

Why, you do not know what a charm life has, until you get deliverance from this accursed bondage.

Oh, I pity the people! My heart goes out to them, as I see what slaves they are; how they are bound down.

How I love to ring out the message that ZION stands against every sin in the catalogue!

ZION is not only against booze; that is not the worst thing there is in Chicago. It is bad enough, God knows; but I contend it is not the *worst* thing.

Listen!

I would rather deal with a whisky drunkard any time, than a morphine drunkard, or a cocaine fiend; and I have had plenty of them, here in Chicago and in ZION CITY, to deal with.

I do not know of a more terrible condition, than the condition of these tens, and scores, and hundreds in Chicago who are slaves to cocaine and morphine and other narcotic drugs.

Oh, what victims!

And many of them are doctors.

Why, when it comes to the use of the hypodermic needle, there are more doctors, proportional to the number, than of any other class of people—who are victims of their own drugs. They use the needle on themselves, oftentimes for years unknown to their wives and to their children.

Drugs and Stimulants Responsible for Many Diseases

I have no use for a man who gets up and blows about whisky, and has not a word to say against tobacco, drugs, theaters, dancing, gambling, and all these other things. A Christian does not pick out only one sin, a Christian is against EVERY EVIL THING; and a man of God, in his ministry, is against every wicked thing.

How can you expect God to answer prayer for your healing when you are taking medicine?

Do you know what that medicine is doing for you?

Does anybody know?

One medical writer says, "Every dose of medicine is a blind experiment on the patient's vitality."

There never was a doctor who ever gave a dose of medicine who could tell you what the effects of it would be. No doctor can tell you what effect quinine would have on you.

He does not know!

There is a vast army, far greater than the soldiers who are marching to war, who are stone deaf, who were made so by the infernal quinine. There is no question about that!

Why are there so many dropping dead from heart disease?

Of course, at the bottom of the whole business is the infernal tobacco habit. Thousands of lawyers, and public men, smoke all the time, except when they are sound asleep. They are saturated with nicotine poison—reeking with it.

And then when they have an attack of heart trouble, they go to a doctor, and what does he give them?

Digitalis!

And after one dose of digitalis you may just as well make your will and prepare to say good-by, because you will have a dead heart! Unless God Almighty interposes, you will never have anything else but a dead heart!

In all the letters I get from people here in Chicago, they say, "Mr. Voliva, you are too severe; you are too positive; you know everything, and nobody else knows anything; you are right, and everybody else is wrong."

Well, both of us cannot be right!

See?

Zion Creating a World-wide Stir

And if this is ZION, the ZION foretold by Isaiah, the ZION of the last days, which is to usher in the Millennium, of course I AM right—I MUST BE right.

That is all there is to it!

This is either Zion, or it is nothing.

I did not create it, I did not bring it into existence, I am not perpetuating it, and I am not responsible for the stir it has made in the world. Wherever it goes, it makes a big stir.

Down there at Galesburg they were having a so-called revival meeting, in the leading Methodist Church, and the ZION evangelist happened to meet the singer—he was in ZION CITY here the other night, on his way down East—and he gave him some ZION literature.

This singer read it, was interested in it, and thought it was wonderful teaching.

The Methodist preacher found it out. He called a meeting, had several other preachers there, and remonstrated with him, expostulated with him, agitated him, exasperated him, castigated him, and told him he would have to cease all association with the ZION minister. He said, "No doubt he is a Christian man, and all that, earnest and sincere, but you must not associate with him any more."

This singer said, "I will do as I please! This is a free country, and I have gotten great blessing from associating with him. I will pack my trunk and go tonight!"

He turned around to pick up his hat, and they began to give in a little bit; they saw what they had done. They said, "We

will not say anything more about it, but you keep away from him."

He went over and saw Cunningham, and said to him, "You come over to the revival meeting at the Methodist Church tonight, and I will do something that will create a stir."

Cunningham promised he would be there.

This singing evangelist sang two hymns, and then said, "We will now be lead in prayer by Evangelist Cunningham," and Evangelist Cunningham, the ZION officer in Galesburg, offered prayer; and this preacher sat there while he prayed.

What is the trouble?

When it comes to Christian Science, Millennial Dawnism, or any of these other things that are floating around the country, they are all right—no one objects to them.

What is the matter with ZION?

The Teaching of Zion Makes for Righteous Living

Is there anything in ZION teaching with which any honest man or woman could find fault?

It has not been three hours since a gentleman said to me, "Why, the things you people teach ought to attract all the good people in the country."

I said, "Certainly."

ZION has a people who have nothing to do with intoxicating liquor, nothing to do with the accursed tobacco, nothing to do with drugs, and who have built a little city where there is a fine for swearing.

What is there in that teaching that is wrong, I would like to know?

Does it not make for purer lives—for better, stronger, healthier men and women?

Is there any man who can truthfully say there is anything in ZION teaching that is not noble and uplifting?

Is there any man who can truthfully say that if the whole world were one big ZION, it would not be a foretaste of Heaven?

Let any man say it, if he can!

Then why this opposition?

Why?

It is one of the finest signs ZION could have.

There is something about ZION that has the genuine ring, and the wicked people do not like it—they do not like it.

Why?

Well, we are in the new order of things, and in this new order there is no whisky, and no drugs, either; no doctors, no surgeons, and no knives, and no swine's flesh, and no oysters, and no theaters, and no moving picture shows, and no dance halls, and no gambling dens, and no chewing-gum—if I can help it.

This is a new order, and that is the reason it is opposed.

Why should any Christian oppose it?

Why should any Godly man or woman oppose it?

Why, there is not a sweeter sight on God's earth than the children born in ZION, who do not know anything else but to pray. And what great faith they have!

God has done all He could with us, with an old generation; but He can do a thousand times more with the rising generation than He has ever been able to do with us.

Now, I do not want to tell you anything that is not in the Word of God, and I would not lay down one condition that is not to be found in the Word of God—not one solitary condition; for I have no right to. And I have no right to omit any conditions, either.

It is my business to point out to you the pathway of salvation, of healing, and of holy living.

What a beautiful thing to make a full surrender NOW—not on your death-bed!

You know, these people who are so smart, and so brave, and who think they know everything, they say, "I would like to see that ZION preacher make me give up tobacco or drugs, or do anything!"

Oh, so big, you know.

Wait until they get a little pain, and they will squeal until you could hear them a mile off; and just let them get the idea that they are going to die, and they are the greatest cowards that ever breathed the breath of life! They do not die game!

I have seen a great many sights in my lifetime, in places where I have held revival meetings, and in churches where I have preached. I have met fellows who were very brave and bold.

I remember one fellow who left a request in the hands of a man, to the effect that when he died he was to put a chain

around his waist, hitch a horse to it, and drag him down the principal streets of the town, to let all the people know he died an infidel.

When that miserable wretch was on his death-bed, and the last three days he was on earth he cried to God until he drove the neighbors almost crazy. The last words they ever heard him say, were "Nearer, my God, to Thee."

That is the way he died!

Cowards!

Men who will not repent are cowards. That is the reason they do not repent! They are afraid of what their neighbors will say—of what the business world will say.

I was talking to a ZION man the other night, and he told me how he had worked in an office building here in Chicago, and how he was invited one time to go and hear Dr. Dowie, when he preached that sermon against Judge Tuley, an unjust judge.

He told me of how he became interested in ZION, gave his heart to God, repented and restored, and went back to that office building and went to every man and woman, every boy and girl, and told them he had owned Christ as His Savior. He made some confessions; made some things right.

That is the way for a man to do!

Men and women can lead you to hell, and do it very easily.

Now then, here is one infernal thing I want to crack on the head while I am in Chicago: A lot of men, millions of them, say, "I am just as good as a church member. I live a good, moral life; pay my debts, and do this, that, and the other thing."

Well, that will take you to hell about as quickly as anything I know.

Morality!

The only place morality can ever take a man is to hell.

You say, "Is not morality a good thing?"

Yes; but it can never take a man to Heaven!

Jesus the Christ said, "Except a man be *born again*"—and you cannot get to Heaven without the *New Birth*. See?

Do not come around me telling me what a lovely man or woman you are. There is where the devil has deluded you.

The Bible says "*how shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?*"

You do not have to do *anything*, in order to go to hell; all you have to do is to do *nothing*. And that is what multitudes are doing.

You say, "I do not drink, I do not swear, and I do not use tobacco, either."

And I say, neither does a gate-post! Never yet have I seen a gate-post drinking whisky, or smoking or chewing tobacco!

You are not doing anything, and you are going to hell!

"How Shall we Escape, if we Neglect so Great Salvation?"

When I delivered that long sermon on that subject, I talked for three and one-half hours. The address was printed in "LEAVES OF HEALING," Vol. 36, No. 18, and I have heard more from that sermon than from any that I ever preached.

You say, "I do not do anything very bad."

What do you do that is *good*, my brother?

Jesus said, "Except a man be *born again*, he cannot see THE KINGDOM OF GOD."—John 3:3.

Morality will not save you! Refraining from swearing, from smoking, from chewing—that will not save you! You must be "*born again*," and become a "new creature" in Christ Jesus!

Let it be known throughout the world that ZION stands for the *New Birth*—for *Regeneration*!

Lots of people write to me, and say, "You would have a lot more converts if you would not preach as you do."

Well, I might have more people, but would I have more *converts*? Any converts of Voliva's would not be worth bothering with. We want *God's* converts!

I will never forget the story that is told about Henry Ward Beecher. A fellow came reeling up to him, and said, "Don't you know me? I am one of your converts."

Beecher said, "I think that is about right. You are not one of God's converts, or you would not be drunk."

A man's converts, what do they amount to?

Now, do not think you are going to get to Heaven because you do not do this, that, and the other thing. You may say, "I never murdered anybody, I never stole anything," and so on;

but—"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"

The answer is: *There is no escape!*

I will tell you, in ZION, there is great danger there, brothers and sisters.

Sins of Omission Condemned with Sins of Commission

Then you must remember that it is not only the sins of *commission* that get you into trouble, but there are sins of *omission*.

Here are two important portions of Scripture:

"For he that *soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption*;"—Galatians 6:8.

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"—Hebrews 2:3.

Do not forget them!

If you have taken your talent and hidden it in a napkin and buried it in the earth, what a serious matter!

You know, in that long sermon of mine, I pointed out particularly that the law of God starts in Heaven and reaches down through the psychical and the natural worlds; that there is really only one world, and one law of God operating in it.

The mole, living in the ground, is deprived of his eyes, is he not?

The fish that live in the Mammoth Cave have their eyes taken away, do they not?

There is a law of God. It is stated in the Scriptures. "Whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath."—Matthew 13:12.

Oh, what a terrible thing that is!

How we ought to read the Word and pray, lest there be an unused power or talent and we lose it! And we will lose it if we do not use it for God.

Divine Healing Restored to Prepare a People for Christ's Coming

The end of the ages is upon us. Divine Healing has been restored for the purpose of preparing God's people for the coming of Jesus the Christ.

Some people have a vague notion about the coming of the Lord.

There are few prophecies yet to be fulfilled before the Lord comes. The Psalmist says, "When the Lord shall build up ZION, He shall appear in His glory." And He will not appear until ZION is built up.

The Lord is coming for whom?

He is coming for His Bride, who is to be arrayed in the garments of righteousness.

The Lord is not coming to men who are soaked with the filthy nicotine; He is coming to *cleansed vessels*. Therefore, ZION makes a clean sweep of the whole business; and if it did not make a clean sweep, it would not be *Zion*.

Of course, the preaching is not popular. The only thing popular preaching does, is to send people to hell! It is not "popular" preaching that gets people ready for Heaven.

Let us make a clean sweep of everything that is not of God!

The harvest is the end of the Age, and God sends forth His messengers, and the first work they do is to gather the tares and bind them into bundles.

It is not a very pleasant process.

Why, I have seen men mad enough to kill me, because I have called them stinkpots. They say, "I am not a stinkpot, I am a gentleman."

Well, I always tell people that I am not a gentleman. A gentleman is a man who lives off of other people's labors, is he not? That is what the term "gentleman" means, in England—a man who lives off of the work of somebody else. So I am no gentleman, in that sense of the word.

"I am a gentleman!" Well, you are a stinkpot!

Some people do not believe I will give that exhibition on Sunday. Come and see! I will give you several object lessons. If preaching will not do the work, I will give some object lessons. (The General Overseer did give the exhibition showing the filthiness of the tobacco habit).

Read the history of the old prophets all down the line, and see what object lessons they had to give the people. Why, they had to do some terrible things; although none of them ever preached in an age so wicked as this one. Things are no more

like they were ten or twenty years ago, than anything in the world.

You know, Dr. Dowie gave them the message, and I have given them the message, and I believe Chicago has had about all she deserves; I believe she will get destruction.

However, when you mention the possibility of Chicago's destruction, you can see the people titter. I will tell you, when it comes they will titter on the other side of their faces.

Some Lord's Day afternoon I will have Elder Taylor describe the San Francisco earthquake. There is a wonderful story to be told about that earthquake. He describes how the flames swept the city, and how hundreds tried to keep ahead of them; describes the shrieks and cries of women and children, and the whole dreadful scene.

Why, if God were to withdraw His hand for five seconds, down would go Chicago. The people, most of them do not believe that, and I do not expect them to; for God has said that they would not believe it.

Indifference, the Characteristic of the Closing Age

Jesus said:

"For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be."—Matthew 24: 37, 38.

For the most part, they will pay no attention to my preaching. Some already have surrendered to God and are ready to be baptized; but there are others who are not interested. There are some in this city who want to join a holy band, and want to stand with the people who fight iniquity of every kind; but for the most part there is a spirit of indifference.

Indifference!

Talk to them about money, and their eyes will sparkle like a diamond; but talk to them about Jesus, and they show no interest—none whatever.

The world is full of false doctrines. You know, they do not believe in the devil any more, and they do not believe in hell; that has all gone out of fashion. They have a new-fashioned religion now-a-days. They say that Jesus the Christ was nothing but a Man, that He was not Divine; that the Bible is simply a man-made Book. Some of it they accept, and the rest of it they reject, just as the Lord portrayed. There is not a thing happening today, that I cannot find prophesied in the Bible.

Fancy a preacher standing up and saying, "I do not believe in a 'slaughterhouse' religion," referring to the crucifixion of our Lord and Master!

What did the Apostle Peter say?

He said the time would come when they would deny the Lord Who bought them, and that is precisely what they are doing! They are trying to run the world without God. They think they are going to usher in the Millennium with their intelligence.

They tell us this is to be the last war. Well, it may be. From the way it looks, it may be the last one, because the Lord may come before it is finished. I do not see any prospect of its ending. Well nigh the whole world has been engulfed in it already.

The Gospel Age to Close in Universal Chaos

Many writers are claiming, the last two or three days, that from every sign this war will be followed by universal anarchy. I would not be surprised if, before five years more, there should be a "time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation."

What are the people going to do, when that time comes, if they are not in Jesus the Christ?

I do not want to be left here to go through it; and I do not have to be, nor do you. But if you want to escape, you will have to be a "wise virgin," with your lamp trimmed and burning and oil in your vessel. That is all there is to it.

I have to do only one thing, and that is not to court your favor or love, but it is to tell you God Almighty's truth, whether you like it or hate it; then in the Day of Judgment my hands will be free from your blood.

You take the Word of God all the way through, and what is it?

"Fear not,"—great big multitude?

No!

"Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you"—what?

(People: "THE KINGDOM.")

"Strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

"Many are called, but few are chosen."

And so it goes, all the way through, until at last we come to that beautiful promise:

"TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH WILL I GRANT TO SIT WITH ME ON MY THRONE, EVEN AS I ALSO OVERCAME, AND AM SET DOWN WITH MY FATHER IN HIS THRONE."—Revelation 3:21.

Get these things clearly in your mind!

God's Command to Consecrate Your Possessions

I will tell you another thing, ZION, the call of God is clear and strong, and you cannot have *yourself* in ZION and your possessions in Egypt! The time is coming when every one who is really ZION will have to get in with every dollar they have; and if they do not do it they will lose out. That is all there is to it!

When the Children of Israel were brought out of Egypt, they were commanded not to leave a *hoof* behind; and that is the call of God today.

Standing at ZION's head, I have financed, by the grace of God, gigantic enterprises; and I am working on them still.

God calls you today.

God is not going to fool with people forever!

ZION men and women cannot keep their money outside to build saloons and breweries and assignation houses, and be true to God and ZION. God's call is not only for you, but it is for everything you have, for God and for ZION.

This is the new order of things. You must get out of the old order.

Some people write to me and say, "Glad to hear you are getting along so well in ZION CITY. I lived there once, and when you get everything in good shape and going nicely, I may consider coming back."

I write and tell them to stay where they are.

These fellows who sit on the bank while I am working on the old ship, I am going to pull out and leave them there. ZION is the ark of safety in the closing days of the Gospel Age.

I will tell you, I would not give you the snap of my finger for the man or woman who is not prepared to lay down his life and everything he has for Christ's sake! I have done it, and no one is any happier than I. I not only preach it, but I live it. It is the only life to live—the life and everything on God's altar, working for the extension of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Losing All in God's Cause and Kingdom Means Eternal Gain

"He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall"—what?

(People: "Find it.")—Matthew 10:39.

"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."—John 12:24.

Suppose Elder Huston and I each have a grain of wheat.

Elder Huston says, "I am going to take care of mine. I am not going to run the risk of losing it. A man is a fool to put his little grain of wheat into the ground and get it all dirty." So he puts it into a bottle, hermetically seals it, and puts it in a safety deposit box.

I prepare a nice little piece of ground and bury my grain of wheat in it. It takes root, and in a few days a beautiful green stalk appears and puts out a head with four breasts; and I get seventy-six grains of wheat where I had one.

Elder Huston, the foolish man, goes down, after fifteen or twenty years, and gets his little bottle and he has one old shriveled grain; while by this time I have ten, twenty, fifty thousand bushels of golden grain.

That is the trouble with the rank and file of the people—they want to hold on to this, and they are not willing to let go of that. They say, "I am not going to run the risk of going to the poorhouse."

Every talent for God!

How long do you think God is going to wait for you people who have had the light to do it? Do you think He will wait forever?

No!

Your light will become darkness!

We are marching on!

Just get into your mind and heart that *God founded Zion*. God is going to discipline and train His people, and if you complain at anything you have to suffer or go through, you are not a child of God.

I tell you, no matter how the fires may burn or how deep the waters are, if you keep close to God He will bring you safely through. He knows what is in you, He knows the dross that is there, and just how to burn it out; and you have to be prepared.

We pray every Sunday, in the words of the Apostle Paul: "And the very God of peace *sanctify* you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."—I Thessalonians 5:23.

The word "sanctify" means to separate, set apart, purify. That is what it means.

Do not object if God uses the hammer on you, and the chisel, and sandpaper.

No Hope for People who are Mammon Worshipers

The greatest blessing that could come to some people, would be to lose every dollar they have in the world. I have told some people in ZION CITY that I am praying God to strip them of everything they have; and I hope He will. There is no hope for them unless He does.

Lovers of money!

Lovers of money more than lovers of God!

There is no hope for such people.

God must be FIRST!

ZION stands for more than just one little thing.

ZION takes in EVERYTHING. ZION is THE KINGDOM OF GOD—that is what it is! That is what it means in the Scriptures.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church—where?

In ZION—in THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

Now, it is a million times easier to be a whole-hearted Christian, than it is to be a half-hearted Christian. The most difficult thing a man ever undertook, is to be a half-hearted Christian.

Shut your eyes and jump into the sea, and trust God to take care of you! Then you will know what real happiness is!

I will preach a sermon shortly, which will be printed in the "Leaves of Healing," entitled, "How God Proves His People."

One of the most beautiful things in the Bible is the story of Abraham and Isaac. I have read it over and over. Then there is the story of Job, and the story of the Children of Israel.

How God Proves His People

God looked down from Heaven upon Abraham, whose son, Isaac, was a type of Jesus the Christ, and He said to him, to prove him—not to tempt him; for God tempts no man, but He proves men—"Abraham, I will see how loyal you are. Take your son, your only son, and offer him as a burnt-offering."

And Abraham made preparation, and took his servants, and for three days he traveled.

I wonder what he was thinking about during those seventy-two hours, as he journeyed toward the place which God had told him?

Isaac said, "Father, here is the wood, but where is the offering?"

Abraham said, "God will provide the offering."

He built an altar, took his son, his only son, the type of Jesus the Christ, and bound him upon the altar; but as he lifted his knife to slay him, an angel took hold of his hand, and God said, "Now I KNOW!"

And God will prove you, too. It is not all theory—God will prove you, too.

Every time a man or woman makes a vow, God hears it; and so does the devil. When you sing, "I'll go where You want me to go, I'll say what You want me to say, I'll be what You want me to be," God and the Holy angels record it, and the devil records it, too; and He will put you to the test.

My brothers and sisters, there is the plain Word of God; it is a feast to a man's spirit.

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

"For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh

findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."—(Matthew 7:7, 8)

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will; and it shall be done unto you." (John 15:7)

"Now unto Him Who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power (of the Holy Ghost) that worketh in us,"—(Ephesians 3:20).

That is the Word of God!

There is salvation for every one!

There is healing for every one!

It does not make any difference, as I said a while ago, whether we have attained or not. For a long period men failed to get a message by wireless, but at last there was a man who *did* get it. They have worked for years on wireless telephony, and the other day they talked over four thousand miles, and recognized the voice. Lake Bluff talked to Washington yesterday by wireless telephony.

Because somebody fails to get what God has provided, that does not prove it is not there. It is our business to press forward and obtain what God has for us.

God is all Right; the Trouble is with the People!

There is the difficulty!

ZION people are good people, but many of them are a long, long ways from God. There is no question about that!

As the Bride is being prepared, there will be a time of sifting; and as the boiling process goes on, the scum will come to the top, and it is my business to skim it off.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like a man casting a net into the sea. He brings it to the shore, and then sits down and separates the good from the bad.

I have stood on the shores of the Pacific Ocean in Australia, and seen them bring in their nets. I remember standing there early one morning when they brought in one of those mammoth nets, and out of all the hundreds of fish that were caught, only three were marketable—all the rest were jelly-fish. Think of that! After all their work, only three were marketable; all the rest were jelly-fish.

That is a parable of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like a net cast into the sea. May God help us to see ourselves as we are!

Self-righteousness is a Great Curse

That is the reason, on a Lord's Day afternoon, when I hit "booze," some people nod their heads, you know; but when I hit tobacco, they sit there like posts.

"Ephraim is a cake not turned"—they are baked on one side and dough on the other.

I want people who will say, "By the grace of God, I will cease from every sin in the catalogue—from A to Z." That is what God expects of the people who are in THE KINGDOM.

There is one thing certain, when people come here on Sunday afternoons they do not get a thirty-minute sermon.

Three hours!

My! that is terrible for some people! But they will go to a circus show and sit for five hours on a board six inches wide, and watch a monkey. They could save themselves a lot of trouble if they would look in the mirror.

You know, when your heart is there you will have some interest. I never get tired of the House of God. When you are in real communion with God the Father, Jesus is precious to you and you never get tired—never notice time at all.

Thank God I can lie down and quote God's Word for hours and hours. You do not know what you are missing when you do not know the Scriptures.

I quoted thirty-nine chapters one time, publicly; and I quoted five hundred and two verses publicly once. I used to be able to give all the Messianic prophecies of the Book of Isaiah—give the chapter and the verse, and repeat them.

Memorize Scripture! Memorize a verse a day, or a line! That is the only way you can be a power, and that is the way you will get your healing.

"He sent His WORD, and healed them."—Psalm 107:20.

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."—John 15:7.

Feed on the Word!

May God bless you!

ZION IN THE WORD OF GOD

II Samuel 5:7. Nevertheless, David took the stronghold of Zion: the same is the city of David.

I Kings 8:1. Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto King Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion.

II Kings 19:21. This is the word that the Lord hath spoken concerning him; The virgin the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

II Kings 19:31. For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of Mount Zion: the zeal of the Lord of hosts shall do this.

I Chronicles 11:5. And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, Thou shalt not come hither. Nevertheless David took the castle of Zion, which is the city of David.

II Chronicles 5:2. Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the Covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion.

Psalms 2:6. Yet have I set my King upon My holy hill of Zion.

Psalms 9:11. Sing praises to the Lord, Who dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people His doings.

Psalms 9:14. That I may show forth all Thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion: I will rejoice in Thy salvation.

Psalms 14:7. Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! when the Lord bringeth back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Psalms 20:2. Send thee help from sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion:

Psalms 48:2. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is Mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the Great King.

Psalms 48:11. Let Mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of Thy judgments.

Psalms 48:12. Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

Psalms 50:2. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.

Psalms 51:18. Do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion: build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Psalms 53:6. Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When God bringeth back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Psalms 65:1. Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in Zion: and unto Thee shall the vow be performed.

Psalms 69:35. For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

Psalms 74:2. Remember Thy congregation, which Thou hast purchased of old; the rod of Thine inheritance, which Thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion, wherein Thou hast dwelt.

Psalms 76:2. In Salem also is His tabernacle, and His dwelling place in Zion.

Psalms 78:68. But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which He loved.

Psalms 84:7. They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.

Psalms 87:2. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Psalms 87:5. And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the Highest Himself shall establish her.

Psalms 97:8. Zion heard, and was glad: and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of Thy judgments, O Lord.

Psalms 99:2. The Lord is Great in Zion: and He is high above all the people.

Psalms 102:13. Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, is come.

Psalms 102:16. When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory.

Psalms 102:21. To declare the Name of the Lord in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem.

Psalms 110:2. The Lord shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

Psalms 125:1. They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever.

Psalms 126:1. When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.

Psalms 128:5. The Lord shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of my life.

Psalms 129:5. Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion.

Psalms 132:13. For the Lord hath chosen Zion: He hath desired it for His habitation.

Psalms 133:3. As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

Psalms 134:3. The Lord Who made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

Psalms 135:21. Blessed be the Lord out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the Lord.

Psalms 137:1. By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion.

Psalms 137:3. For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song; and they that wasted us required of us mirth, saying, Sing us one of the songs of Zion.

Psalms 146:10. The Lord shall reign forever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the Lord.

Psalms 147:12. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

Psalms 149:2. Let Israel rejoice in Him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Song of Solomon 3:11. Go forth, O ye daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his heart.

Isaiah 1:8. And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city.

Isaiah 1:27. Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.

Isaiah 2:3. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Isaiah 3:16. Moreover the Lord saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

Isaiah 3:17. Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the Lord will discover their secret parts.

Isaiah 4:3. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem.

Isaiah 4:4. When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

Isaiah 4:5. And the Lord will create upon every dwelling-place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence.

Isaiah 8:18. Behold, I and the children whom the Lord hath given me are for signs and for wonders in Israel from the Lord of hosts, which dwelleth in mount Zion.

Isaiah 10:12. Wherefore it shall come to pass, that, when the Lord hath performed His whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

Isaiah 10:24. Therefore thus saith the Lord God of hosts, O My people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt.

Isaiah 10:32. As yet shall He remain at Nob that day: He shall shake His hand against the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.

Isaiah 12:6. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

Isaiah 14:32. What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and in her shall the afflicted of His people take refuge.

Isaiah 16:1. Send ye the lamb to the ruler of the land from Sela to the wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter of Zion.

Isaiah 18:7. In that time shall the present be brought unto the Lord of hosts of a people scattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the Name of the Lord of hosts, the mount Zion.

Isaiah 24:23. The moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the Lord of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before His ancients gloriously.

Isaiah 28:16. Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

Isaiah 29:8. It shall even be as when a hungry man dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, he is faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

Isaiah 30:19. For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when He shall hear it, He will answer thee.

Isaiah 31:4. For thus hath the Lord spoken unto me, Like as the lion and the young roaring on his prey, when a multitude

of shepherds is called forth against him, he will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them: so shall the Lord of hosts come down to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.

Isaiah 31:9. And he shall pass over to his strong hold for fear, and his princes shall be afraid of the ensign, saith the Lord, Whose fire is in Zion, and His furnace in Jerusalem.

Isaiah 33:5. The Lord is exalted; for He dwelleth on high: He hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.

Isaiah 33:14. The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

Isaiah 33:20. Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

Isaiah 34:8. For it is the day of the Lord's vengeance, and the year of recompenses for the controversy of Zion.

Isaiah 35:10. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isaiah 37:22. This is the word which the Lord that spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

Isaiah 37:32. For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the Lord of hosts shall do this.

Isaiah 40:9. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

Isaiah 41:27. The first shall say to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.

Isaiah 46:13. I bring near My righteousness; it shall not be far off, and My salvation shall not tarry: and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel My glory.

Isaiah 49:14. But Zion said, The Lord hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me.

Isaiah 51:3. For the Lord shall comfort Zion: He will comfort all her waste places; and He will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

Isaiah 51:11. Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

Isaiah 51:16. And I have put My Words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of Mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou art My people.

Isaiah 52:1. Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come unto thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

Isaiah 52:2. Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

Isaiah 52:7. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publish-

eth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Isaiah 52:8. Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion.

Isaiah 59:20. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord.

Isaiah 60:14. The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, The city of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 61:3. To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called Trees of righteousness. The planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified.

Isaiah 62:1. For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.

Isaiah 62:11. Behold, the Lord hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him.

Isaiah 64:10. Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, Jerusalem is a desolation.

Isaiah 66:8. Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

Jeremiah 3:14. Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

Jeremiah 4:6. Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not; for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction.

Jeremiah 4:31. For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, and the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saying, Woe is me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers.

Jeremiah 6:2. I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate woman.

Jeremiah 6:23. They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O daughter of Zion.

Jeremiah 8:19. Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people because of them that dwell in a far country: Is not the Lord in Zion? is not her King in her? Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, and with strange vanities?

Jeremiah 9:19. For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we spoiled! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast us out.

Jeremiah 14:19. Hast Thou utterly rejected Judah? hath Thy soul loathed Zion? why hast Thou smitten us, and there is no healing for us? we looked for peace, and there is no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble!

Jeremiah 26:18. Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hosts; Zion shall be ploughed like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.

Jeremiah 30:17. For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an

Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after.

Jeremiah 31:6. For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the Lord our God.

Jeremiah 31:12. Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the Lord, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd; and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

Jeremiah 50:5. They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let us join ourselves to the Lord in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten:

Jeremiah 50:28. The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the Lord our God, the vengeance of His temple.

Jeremiah 51:10. The Lord hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of the Lord our God.

Jeremiah 51:24. And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the Lord.

Jeremiah 51:35. The violence done to me and to my flesh be upon Babylon, shall the inhabitant of Zion say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.

Lamentations 1:4. The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts: all her gates are desolate; her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and she is in bitterness.

Lamentations 1:6. And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed: her princes are become like harts that find no pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.

Lamentations 1:17. Zion spreadeth forth her hands, and there is none to comfort her: the Lord hath commanded concerning Jacob, that his adversaries should be round about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.

Lamentations 2:1. How hath the Lord covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger, and cast down from heaven unto the earth the beauty.

Lamentations 2:4. He hath bent His bow like an enemy: he stood with His right hand as an adversary, and slew all that were pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: He poured out His fury like fire.

Lamentations 2:6. And He hath violently taken away His tabernacle as if it were of a garden; He hath destroyed His places of the assembly: the Lord hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of His anger the king and the priest.

Lamentations 2:8. The Lord hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: He hath stretched out a line, He hath not withdrawn His hand from destroying: therefore He made the rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together.

Lamentations 2:10. The elders of the daughter of Zion sit upon the ground, and keep silence: they have cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.

Lamentations 2:13. What thing shall I take to witness for thee? What thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? for thy breach is great like the sea: who can heal thee?

Lamentations 2:18. Their heart cried unto the Lord, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let now the apple of thine eye cease.

Lamentations 4:2. The precious sons of

Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!

Lamentations 4:11. The Lord hath accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, and hath kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.

Joel 2:1. Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

Joel 2:15. Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly.

Joel 2:23—Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God; For He hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

Joel 2:32. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the Name of the Lord shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the Lord hath said, and in the remnant whom the Lord shall call.

Joel 3:16. The Lord also shall roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the Lord will be the hope of His people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

Joel 3:17. So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion, My holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.

Joel 3:21. For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in Zion.

Amos 1:2. And he said, The Lord will roar from Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem: and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.

Amos 6:1. Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came.

Obadiah 17. But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.

Obadiah 21. And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lord's.

Micah 1:13. O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she is the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.

Micah 3:10. They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.

Micah 3:12. Therefore shall Zion for your sake be ploughed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

Micah 4:2. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Micah 4:7. And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the Lord shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

Micah 4:8. And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

Micah 4:10. Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the Lord shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

Micah 4:13. Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the Lord, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

Zephaniah 3:14. Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel: be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

Zephaniah 3:16. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, let not thine hands be slack.

Zechariah 1:14. So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hosts; I am jealous

for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.

Zechariah 1:17. Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hosts; My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad: and the Lord shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.

Zechariah 2:7. Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon.

Zechariah 2:10. Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord.

Zechariah 8:2. Thus saith the Lord of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury.

Zechariah 8:3. Thus saith the Lord; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a City of truth; and the mountain of the Lord of hosts, the holy mountain.

Zechariah 9:9. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

Zechariah 9:13. When I have bent Judah for Me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

Matthew 21:5. Tell ye the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.

John 12:15. Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.

Romans 9:33. As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Romans 11:26. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

I. Peter 2:6. Wherefore also it is contained in the Scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

Revelation 14:1. And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him a hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," in Central Zion, Tabernacle, Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by Evangelist Guy K. Neal;

April 15th, 1916:

Consoer, Miss Esther	Illinois
Lord's Day, April 30th, 1916:	
Adamson, Mrs. Jennie	Illinois
Brindley, Mrs. Mary	Michigan
Smith, Mrs. Mary	Illinois
Sorge, Miss Clara	Illinois

Consecration of Children

The following-named little children were consecrated to God in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church on Zion, Lord's Day Morning, April 30, 1916:

Hacker, Martha Stanton
Leitch, Leslie Leland
Neal, James Theodore
Snelling, Ruth Elizabeth.

Right Hand of Fellowship

The following-named Persons were Extended the Right-Hand of Fellowship, and Received into the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, by Apostle Francis M. Royall, on Lord's Day, April 2nd, 1916, at Zion Tabernacle, Shanghai, China:

Mr. Dzing Jing Ding
Mr. Linn Yearrum
Mr. Tam Glenn
Mr. C. F. Cheo
Mrs. Zella Cheo
Mr. Chao Ah Ning
Mrs. Wu Tsong Tsi
Mr. Wong Iong Fah
Mr. Tsing Pao Nan
Mrs. Tsing Dzing Tsi
Mr. Hsu Chu Yi
Mr. Liu Shu Tang
Mr. Zao Wu Kong
Mr. Dong Sae Long
Mr. Pun We Tsing

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

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In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.

Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"

By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.**GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

Miscellaneous Musical Program.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	40 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 4	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 5	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 6	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 7	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 8	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 9	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 10	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 11	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 12	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 13	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 14	33.6 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 15	29 acres	185 per acre
Total	- 839.6 acres	

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WE OFFER FOR SALE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

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No. 2.	8-room house, good basement, electric lights, nicely located	2,250.00
No. 3.	5-room house, good basement, electric lights, sewer connections, centrally located,	3,100.00
No. 4.	6-room house, good basement, electric lights, deep well, corner lot, near Tabernacle,	1,350.00
No. 5.	10-room house, fine location, modern, hot water system,	4,700.00
No. 6.	6-room house, basement, electric lights, nicely located,	1,600.00
No. 7.	6-room house, practically new, good basement, electric lights, well, cistern,	2,500.00
No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

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Is the Center of Interest in Zion City

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All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

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PRINCIPAL MEETING - - - - - at 3:00 P. M.
Praise and Testimony Meeting - - - at 7:45 P. M.

Divine Healing Meeting

Every Wednesday - - - - - at 2:45 P. M.
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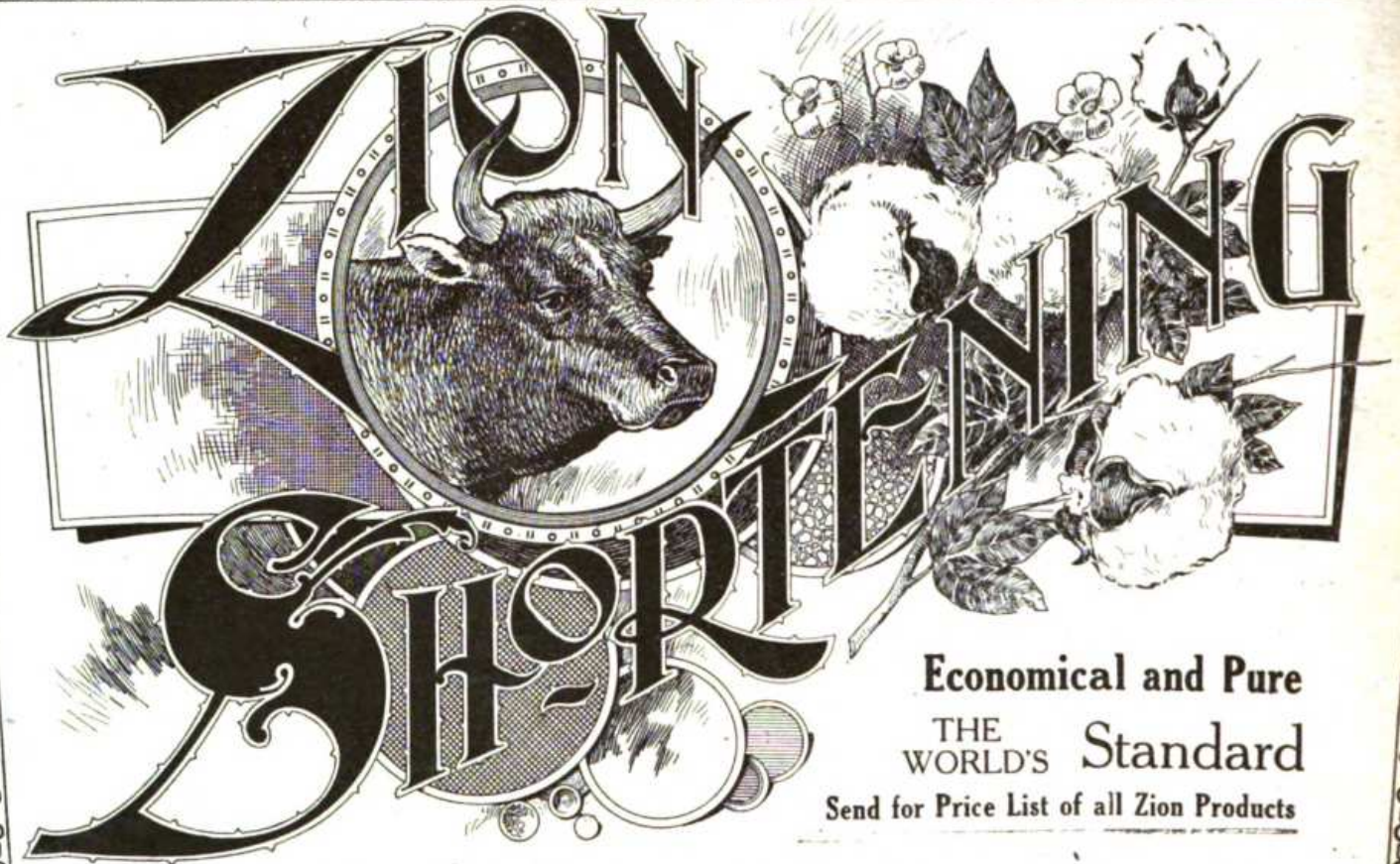
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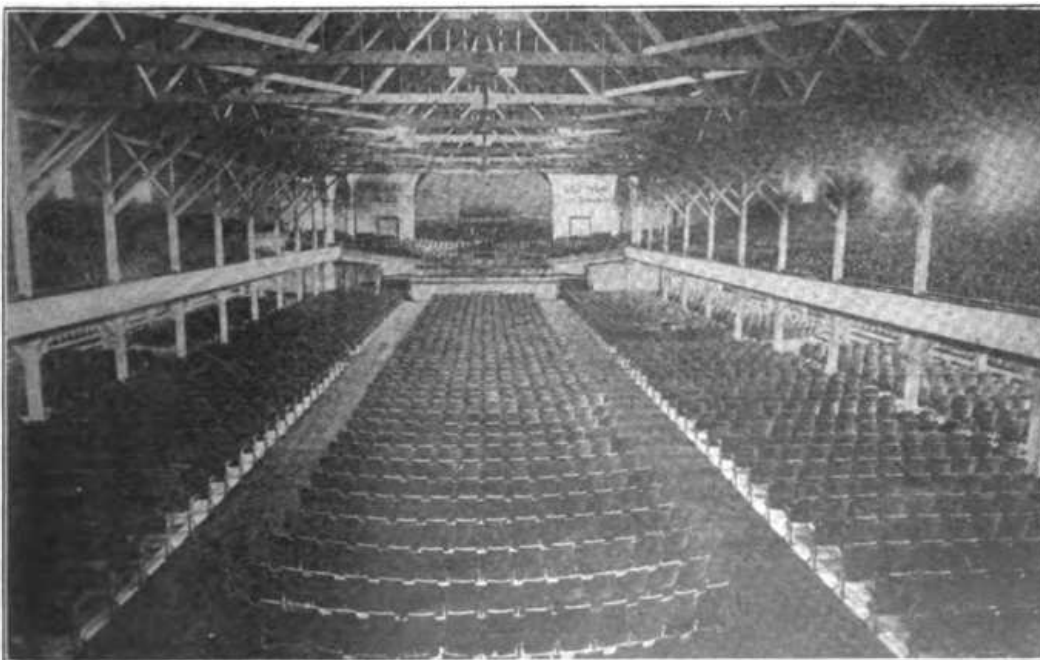
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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus' Name

Gottes Weg der Heilung.

Rev. John Alex. Dowie.

Gottes Weg der Heilung ist eine Person und nicht eine Sache.

Jesus sagte: „Ich bin der Weg, die Wahrheit und das Leben,“ und durch alle Jahrhunderte hindurch hat Er sich stets durch den Bundes-Namen geoffenbart, Jehovah-Kophi oder „Ich bin der Herr, der dich heilt.“ (Joh. 14, 6. 2. Moj. 15. 26.)

Der Herr Jesus Christus ist noch heute unser Arzt.

Er kann sich nicht verändern, denn „Er ist derselbe, gestern, heute und in Ewigkeit.“ Er ist noch bei uns, denn Er sagt „Siehe, Ich bin bei euch alle Tage bis an der Welt Ende“ (Hebr. 13, 8. Matth. 28, 20.) Weil Er unveränderlich ist, und weil Er anwesend ist im Geiste, gerade wie damals im Fleische, deshalb ist Er der Arzt Seines Volkes.

Göttliche Heilung beruht auf Christi Versöhnung.

Es war von Ihm profetisiert worden: „Fürwahr, Er trug unsere Krankheit und lud auf sich unsere Schmerzen, —und durch Seine Wunden sind wir geheilt.“ Es heißt ausdrücklich, daß die Profetisierung in Seinem Heilungswirken in Erfüllung ging, und immerwährend fortbesteht. (Jesaja 53, 4, 5. Matth. 8, 17.)

Krankheit kann niemals Gottes Wille sein.

Sie ist des Satans Werk, die Folge der Sünde und es ist nicht möglich, daß ein Werk Satans je Gottes Wille ist. Christus kam „die Werke des Teufels zu zerstören“ und, als Er hier auf Erden war, „heilte Er allerlei Seuche und Krankheit“ und es heißt ausdrücklich, daß alle diese Krankheiten „Ueberwältigungen des Teufels“ waren. (1 Joh. 3, 8. Matth. 4, 23. Apost. 10, 38.)

Die Gaben der Heilung sind fortdauernd.

Es heißt ausdrücklich „Gottes Gaben und Berufung mögen Ihn nicht gereuen,“ und die Gaben der Heilung sind unter den neun Gaben des Geistes für die Kirche. (Röm. 11, 29. 1 Cor. 12, 8—11.)

Es gibt vier Arten der göttlichen Heilung.

Die erste Art ist das direkte Gebet des Glaubens, die zweite ist das vermittelnde Gebet von zwei oder mehr Personen, die dritte ist die Salbung durch die Aeltesten, vereint mit Glaubensgebet. Die vierte Art ist die Sandauflegung Derjenigen, welche glauben und die Gott zu diesem Amte vorbereitet und berufen hat. (Matth. 8, 5—13. 18. 19. Jac. 5, 14. 15. Marc. 16, 18.)

Göttliche Heilung wird von teuflischen Verfälschern bestritten.

Unter diesen befinden sich die fälschlich sogenannte Christliche Wissenschaft (Christian Science), Geist-Heilung (Mental Science), Spiritismus, Entzückungs-Evangelismus, u. s. w. (1 Tim. 6, 20. 21, 4, 1. 2. Jof. 51, 22. 23.)

Tausende sind durch den Glauben an Jesus geheilt worden.

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Report of the Service Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, January 30, 1916, Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

INVOCATION by Elder W. D. Taylor:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations.
For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

ELDER TAYLOR: Let us sing hymn No. 624—"JESUS SHALL REIGN."

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run,
His Kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head:
His Name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue,
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns
The prisoner leaps to loose His chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

ELDER TAYLOR: We will read this afternoon from the 55th chapter of Isaiah:

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? Harken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

Incline your ear, and come unto Me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.

Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.

Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for He hath glorified thee.

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near:

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from Heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

So shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

May God bless the reading of His Word!
Elder Taylor then offered

PRAYER

Almighty and Everlasting God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee today for the grand and glorious invitation we have read from Thy Precious and Holy Word—words of the Lord Himself: "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

We thank Thee today, our Father, that this invitation is for this congregation this afternoon as much as for the congregation when it was delivered. We lift our hearts to Thee in praise and gratitude that it is so.

We thank Thee for the great plan of redemption which God the Father hath marked out for the world through His Only Begotten Son. We thank Thee that in the Atonement upon the cross provision was made for our spirits and our bodies. He took upon Himself our infirmities and bare our sicknesses, and it is with His stripes we are healed.

We pray Thee to bless the words which have been read from Thy holy Book. We pray especially for him who shall deliver the address, and may it be accompanied by Thy Holy Spirit to the hearts of this people, and may it do them good.

We thank Thee today for the Kingdom of God. Help us to seek first Thy Kingdom and Thy righteousness, with the promise that all these things—food, shelter, and raiment—shall be added unto us.

Bless every effort that is being put forth for the upbuilding of Thy Kingdom, and we pray Thee to hasten the day when the Lord Himself shall return to this earth, in power and in glory, to receive unto Himself those who have proven faithful. Help each one of us that we may continue faithful unto the end.

We pray Thy blessings upon all the interests of Zion. We pray today for Zion in Zion City. We pray for Zion in Chicago. We pray for Zion in all parts of America, and in Europe, and in Asia, and in Africa, and in the Islands of the Sea—and wherever there is a gathering under this Name, we pray Thee, in the Christ's name, to be with them. O God, where there are individuals holding up the standard of Jehovah, we pray Thee to strengthen them by Thy grace and by Thy power.

Now, Father, we pray especially today for the sick and for the afflicted. We thank Thee that the Christ was a Friend of the sick; that He took upon Himself their infirmities and bare their sicknesses. We thank Thee that through all the centuries He is the same; that He is the same today.

Father, we come to Thee in the Name of Jesus, Who when here upon the earth in the flesh taught us to pray, saying: (The Semi-Chorus then chanted the Lord's Prayer.)

A trio, consisting of Mrs. Thomas, Miss Clendinen, and Conductor Thomas, then rendered the selection, entitled, "HEAR OUR PRAYER."

Elder Taylor made the Announcements for the week, after which Miss Florence Farrar sang a solo, entitled, "BY THE WATERS OF BABYLON."

While the Tithes and Free-will Offerings were being received, the Semi-Chorus rendered the selection, "THE RADIANT MORN."

INVOCATION by the General Overseer:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and in the Name of Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in accordance with Thy will be

sanctified unto the good of all present and unto the good of all who may read these words in "Leaves of Healing", O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: I will read in God's Inspired Word, in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, first in the 52nd chapter. The Inspired Word of God!

It matters little what men may say and write, but you had better take care when it comes to what God Almighty has to say.

Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

In the 60th chapter of the same book:

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee.

And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. (Verses 1-4)

For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted. (Verse 12)

The 59th chapter, the 20th and 21st verses:

And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord.

As for Me, this is My covenant with them, saith the Lord: My Spirit that is upon thee, and My words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord, from henceforth and for ever.

The 54th chapter, the 17th verse:

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord.

In II Corinthians, the last part of the 6th chapter:

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

WHEREFORE COME OUT FROM AMONG THEM, AND BE YE SEPARATE, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

In the Book of Revelation, the last message that shall ring around the world to God's people, to be found in the 18th chapter:

And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

Let every man and every woman settle for himself and herself the question as to what constitutes Babylon today.

The Apostasy of the Church a Part of the World-wide Babylon

The voice of God now rings around the world: "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird."

That is the reason why you see no difference today between the church and the world. That is the reason why you find no difference between those who profess to be Christians and those who make no profession.

"Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils"—of theater-goers, dancers, card-players,

booze sellers, tobacco users, and so on. You will find every devil out of hell within the pale of these churches.

The finest dancers within the confines of Chicago belong to the Methodist Church. The greatest card-players—the superior euchre players—are members of the Presbyterian Church. The leading theater goers are Episcopalians.

I believe in giving everybody his due, even the devil, and I believe in fighting fair and square.

When I say that some of the priests of the Roman Catholic Church are corrupt, full of booze and tobacco, low-down, red-nosed, sensual, every well-informed person knows I speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth! Even some of the popes, according to Roman Catholic authors, have been notoriously corrupt!

I am perfectly fair when I say that in the Church of England there are ministers who are drunken sots!

I am fair when I say there are Lutheran preachers, who either chew or smoke tobacco, or do both; and who stink like the devil!

It is true of the bishops of the Methodist Church that many if not all have BOWED THE KNEE TO BAAL, and that they have taken a vow—that they will not violate the chastity of a Master Mason's wife—it is a nice mess when a Methodist bishop has to get down and swear that he will not violate the purity of a Master Mason's wife, is it not?

You (addressing Elder Taylor) were one of those fools once, were you not?

(Elder Taylor: "I was, at one time.")

Well, if I had been your wife I would have sewed you up in the bed clothes at night and taken a broomstick and beaten you until you howled for mercy, you dirty scamp!

(Elder Taylor: "She felt like it when I came home the first night.")

I should think so! The idea of getting down on your knees and swearing you will not violate the chastity of a Master Mason's wife! And then the mother and the daughter, they are included, are they not? There are three of them that they exempt, the dirty scoundrels!

That is what they are!

The Influence of Rome Makes for Corruption in the World

Let us be fair and give the devil his dues.

I will witness in Chicago against the sins of Rome, and I well understand what it means when one touches Rome. Rome thinks no more of murdering a man than she does of taking a glass of whisky, and they can swill it by the barrel.

Rome was never known to reply to an argument. The devil has no arguments. The first thing he says, when a man comes to town who makes the fur fly, is: "He ought to be shot! He ought to be drowned! He ought to be hung!"

I always feel highly complimented when I hear that.

What do I care what Rome says! I am going to witness against Rome and tell her that as an organization she is rotten! And there is not a sane man who does not know it is true.

Furthermore, I say that the time is not far off when the people of America will rise up and say, "Rome shall not hold a political office in the city, state, or nation!"

While I am cleaning up Rome, I am going for the Methodists, from the bishops on down. I am here to tell you that the Methodist Church is rotten—so rotten it stinks!

You do not believe me?

I have here several advertisements of church amusements—one of a "Trunk Murder Mystery," another one of a "Chicken Fry," and another one of a "Pig Roast," with admission fees ranging from fifteen to thirty-five cents.

Let me read to you now from a preacher who writes regarding the amusements of the Apostate Churches.

"They are ripening an epoch in the world's history when Jehovah will again speak in thunder tones similar to those which began to shake the continent of Europe in the dawning of the Reformation.

"What shall the harvest be if we continue, in these amusements, to seal with the sanction of Heaven the principles and practices of hell?

"The old landmark between two distinct orders of Christian character is passing away. Sheep and goats now feed in the same range of pasture and there is, consequently, not much apparent difference in their respective wools.

"Progressive euchre and retrogressive religion move hand

in hand. The most popular amusements are common to both sinner and saint. Both parties seem disposed to meet on a common level and form a treaty of peace.

"Heaven have mercy upon such willing victims of deep delusion!

"The only value of such religion is its prophetic utterances. They reveal the inward emptiness of mere nominal Christianity, and foretell the ultimate marriage with genuine iniquity.

"May the chariot wheels of God's beneficent providence move on with rapid sweep and bring the inevitable crisis!"

The Methodist Church Repudiates the Enforcement of its Discipline

Let us listen now to another, and see what he has to say about the Methodist Church.

"Membership in the Methodist Church is sought in order to advance one's prospects in society, business or politics. The Sunday services in the cities are made the occasion of displaying the elegance of apparel and the latest fashions. Even the older ones are tricked out as if they were the acolytes of pride.

"Our class-books are filled with the names of unconverted men and women. Official members of the Methodist Church may be found in box, dress circle, opera, and theater. Communicants take in the races, give and attend card parties, and patronize dances. The distinction between the people inside and the people outside is so obscure, that most men smile when you ask them to unite with the church, and often tell us they find the best people on the outside. And yet we have so spread out under the influences of the rich and the ungodly that they are now a necessity to us. The enforcement of the law and the discipline of the Methodist Church for one year, would cut our membership in half, bankrupt our missionary societies, close our fashionable churches, paralyze our connectional interests, and leave our pastors and bishops unpaid and in poverty."

Now then, I stand here as the representative of ZION. Either ZION is the WHOLE THING in these closing days of the Gospel Age, or it is nothing.

God's Word, in numerous places, foretells the days in which you and I are living; and in the days of darkness—gross darkness, in the days when the churches have apostatized, then it is that ZION is to be born.

The first part of this ministry is to be a WITNESSING ministry. It is not to the world, it is not to the saloon-keepers and the gamblers, but first of all it is to be a witnessing ministry against the MINISTERS—not only in the City of Chicago, but throughout the world.

I say to you this afternoon, the message that must be delivered in Chicago—and the FIRST MESSAGE demanded—is a message against the false shepherds, who are sending multitudes of people to hell every day.

Christians, in Apostate Churches, Very Scarce

You say you are a Christian; I say you are not. I say to you that, according to God Almighty's Word—which I will open up to you and make as plain as the alphabet—Christians are very scarce articles.

There are plenty of church members, but what does that signify?

One man in Pittsburg threw down the gauntlet and said, "A proper sign for every church in Pittsburg would be this: 'Wanted—Members. No questions asked and nothing required.'"

Why, what does it mean to become a member of the Methodist Church today? What is required? What do they insist upon?

They do not insist upon anything! You can be a Methodist, and you can smoke and chew, stink and spew, to your heart's content.

In one of their conferences they said, "Let us say that the ministers shall not use tobacco."

Well now, I have this to say! Shumaker, if you have a right to chew, so have I, have I not? If you have a right to smoke, I have the same right. There is not one rule for the ministry and another rule for the laity. There is only ONE WAY to Heaven and that is by JESUS THE CHRIST!

How much do you hear now-a-days about sin?

I am here to tell you,—and I do not care the snap of my finger what anybody thinks or says, because I am independent of all men; and nobody has any strings on me, nor can they dictate what I say and preach.

I am here to tell you that the sermons which were delivered in the Chicago pulpits this morning had not enough of the Power of God in them to wake up a mosquito sleeping on the front seat.

The Churches have no Use for the Everlasting Gospel

There is nothing in these churches to convict people of sin. Certainly not!

However, I do not find very many who want to hear the Gospel. The people, for the most part, do not want the Gospel.

Some people will run after these evangelists. I can demonstrate, with testimony mountain high, that every meeting "Billy" Sunday holds is one of the greatest curses that ever came to any city.

They do not want the Gospel—that calls a spade a spade; that tells men and women they are wicked and sinful in God Almighty's sight; that there is only one way to get things right.

No! What the people want is a preacher who can make them cry. Why, the whole stock and trade of these fellows is sniveling. Some of them have even rubbed onions in their noses to help them snivel a little when they tell their death-bed stories.

Listen!

Do you hear the voice of Jesus the Christ ringing down through the centuries in your ears, boring to your very heart—"EXCEPT YE BE BORN AGAIN YE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD"?

Get down on your knees, you old reprobate, until you are "born again" and become a "new creature" in Christ Jesus!

Oh, that is not popular! They say, "Let us 'hit the trail'!" Yes, "hit the trail" to hell!

I have an officer in this Church, Apostle Eustace L. Carey, who came from Melbourne, Australia.

So-called Revivals only Religious Drunks

At the time he first heard me preach, R. A. Torrey was holding meetings in Melbourne. He held them in the Town Hall, and later in the Exhibition Building; and word was sent back here to America that he had ten thousand converts.

The ministerial association of the City of Melbourne met six months later, and said, in effect that the Torrey meetings had been one of the greatest curses that ever came to Australia.

Torrey preach the Gospel?

No!

Here is what he did: He described a shipwreck scene out here at Evanston—you know, I was on Torrey's track in Australia, from one city to another—and he told a little story about some who were drowned. You know how it is done. And all the old hypocrites began to cry and get religion—they got something else besides religion.

They had ten thousand converts in the City of Melbourne, and in six months' time, with a government search-warrant, you could not have found a corporal's guard.

What does it amount to?

It does not amount to a hill of beans!

When that Unitarian preacher down east—understand my position on Unitarianism. A man who denies the Divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ is not a Christian, I do not care whether he is an ex-President or who he is.

However, when that preacher wrote an article and said, "Such a thing as the New Birth, nobody ever heard of it in one of 'Billy' Sunday's meetings!"—he told the truth!

I tell you, I will tan "Billy" Sunday's jacket in a quarter of a million notices in this City shortly, and I will quote from his sermons where he says, when he is preaching on cigarettes,—he goes for the boys for smoking cigarettes, when there are men sitting in his audience who stink worse than a nest of skunks.

No doubt there are men in this audience today who would run a skunk out of the ground—men whose breath stinks so it would drive a bull pup out of a tan-yard.

Yes, he stands up and says, "Now, boys, you must not smoke cigarettes!"—and then closes by saying, "But, boys, if you must smoke, get a cob pipe."

Think of it!

Oh, think of it!

Plain Preaching Needed to Convict Sinners

Now then, the first thing, you have to get people to realize they are sinners.

What is the first work of the Holy Ghost? His first work is to convict the world of—what?

(People: "Sin.")

Yes!

Well, can anybody be convicted with soft-soap?

Suppose I were to hit one of you in the face with soft soap? Suppose I were to shoot you with a pop-gun? Suppose I were to sprinkle cologne water on you? Do you think it would have much effect on you?

Most of these preachers in Chicago preach nice little sermons on the "Sweet By-and-By," and about how we shall all be gathered over yonder, and then after the benediction—"Wasn't that a lovely sermon? What beautiful oratory! Going to the theater tomorrow night? Got your tickets? Did you see Mrs. Brown's hat? What a funny looking hat!"

And that is about all the good it does.

The first thing is to convict men and women of sin.

Listen!

How many women are there in Chicago whose hands are dripping with blood?

One Sunday afternoon when I preached in the City of Melbourne, a well-dressed lady sat in the very back seat. When I struck this subject she threw up her hands and rushed out, screaming like a devil. Later she said to a certain lady, "How could you people ever sit and listen to such a man?"

She was a member of a Church in Melbourne, and she never forgot what I said. She came back. She asked to see me. She said, "I have murdered seven unborn children."

Think of it!

She was a member of a Church, attended the service every Sunday and listened to the dear little pastor tell about the "sweet by-and-by" and the "over yonder."

That is what the people get every Sunday, and when they hear a man who preaches the Gospel, they say, "Away with him, he is not fit to live! I am not going to listen to a man who uses the word 'stinkpot.'"

No; but you will go home and take up a spittoon, with a gallon of tobacco juice in it, and clean it. Which is worse—the dirty, filthy habit, or the word with which it is characterized?

People Must be Taught what it Means to be a Christian

Now, the Holy Spirit is here. He came on the Day of Pentecost, and He has been here ever since.

What is the Sword of the Spirit?

Listen! When they asked me my opinion for publication about Evan Roberts' meetings in Wales, I condemned them. I condemn all of these hysterical, wild-cat revivals where the Word of God is not preached.

Why, bless your life, if I wanted to bury my conscience, I could deliver a two-hour lecture here that would make you forget your name and where you live. I could have every handkerchief out in less than five minutes.

Is that preaching the Gospel?

I can cry when I see some man coming down the aisle here and hear him saying, "Voliva, here is my pipe. I will smoke no more."

I can cry then.

I can cry when I see a wife beater coming down the aisle and hear him saying, "I am going to give my heart to God and live a decent life."

I can cry when I see the sick one carried in, healed by the power of God, and go out leaping and praising God. Then I can cry.

I want something to cry about, besides a little story.

Why, some preachers, that is their whole stock in trade. They are so nice, you know, so nice!

Well, I will tell you, we have to hit every sin in the catalogue—lying, thieving, defrauding, everything that is evil—and let you know what it is to be a Christian.

My call is to preach the Word of God, and the Holy Ghost must use that Word, which is the Sword of the Spirit.

There are no Converts Where the Word of God is not Preached

The Holy Spirit is striving with every one of you. There is not a saloon-keeper in Chicago whom the Holy Ghost has not visited. There is not a harlot in this City whom the Holy Ghost has not visited. There is not a man or a woman sitting here who

has not felt the strivings of the Holy Ghost within, as He seeks to lead you to turn around and lead a different life.

However, there is not one sitting here but who can resist the Holy Ghost. Tell me that men who have heard me in this City are not convicted of the sin of smoking and chewing? I know better!

I have had many men say to me, "Mr. Voliva, you do not need to say another word to me. What you say is true; there is not a good word that any man can say in favor of tobacco—it is bad from start to finish."

They are convicted.

Sin!

What is sin!

Sin is transgression of the law.

"Oh, well," says a man, "why talk about tobacco?"

Because when you are "born again" and become a "new creature" in Christ Jesus you will not touch tobacco—you will have no desire or appetite for it; and the very fact that you use tobacco and go to theaters and dance halls shows me you never have been "born again."

The "old man" swears, the *old man* lies, the *old man* defrauds, the *old man* smokes, the *old man* chews, the *old man* likes to go to dances and hug other men's wives.

Do you know of any dance hall in Chicago where the men get together every week and hold dances? How long, Taylor, do you think you and I could keep our dance hall open if we admitted only men?

(Elder Taylor: "One night, perhaps.")

I do not think we would open our doors.

Tell me that a man who is "born again" wants to go to a dance and hug John Brown's wife?

Oh, think of it!

Women, think of your husbands!

Here is Sally Brown, for instance, and your husband gets his arm around her. See? Wonder what the dirty, low-down hell-hound is thinking about?

Oh, some people are shocked—awfully shocked, when I talk like this. They have gone to church so long, you know, and they think religion consists of a long face.

Whenever I see a man who never smiles, I write down, "He has either been robbing a hen roost or some poor widow and the orphans."

Where, in the Bible, does it say, "Thou shalt not laugh"? There is more Christianity in a laugh than there is in all this hypocritical sniveling.

The Word of God Demands Regeneration and Conversion

I want to ring out these words, until all the world shall hear the voice of Jesus the Christ declaring to all men: "EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN AGAIN, HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

You can be a Methodist, just as you can be a Democrat, or a Republican, or a Mugwump, or anything else.

I read the other day the speech of a Methodist bishop who spoke in Orchestra Hall. Among other things he said, "Let us get five hundred thousand members this year."

Well now, I am not thinking about getting one. The Bible says, "And the Lord added to them, day by day, those that were being saved."

The man who talks about getting a thousand members, is talking nonsense. Nobody can add except God, do you not know that?

Why, it makes a man tired to read the rot that is printed and circulated! A minister is called to preach the Gospel, and it is neither here nor there who listens or who criticises. The results must be left with God.

You know, a club can start out to get one hundred new members, can it not? Sure! And so can a political party. But, my conscience, think of a church that claims to be the church of the Living God starting out to add members! And they add them, do they not?—and they are just so much lumber on deck. That is all they are!

The NEW BIRTH!

The Need of Settling the Question of the New Birth

Now then, what is the New Birth?

As the Word of God is preached, what does it say? It says that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

All men are sinners—all are liars, all are thieves, all are dirty, without exception. Man is a vile, sinful, dirty, low-down, filthy beast, until the blood of Jesus the Christ is applied and he is cleansed and made every whit whole.

The NEW BIRTH, that is the question!

The NEW BIRTH!

These extracts which I have read to you admit (and there are scores of others which I might read) that the rank and file received into the Methodist Church today are strangers to conversion.

Some of you sitting here today may say, "What you say does not hurt me any—has no application to me."

One man here the other Sunday said, "I was born a Methodist, am still a Methodist, and I am going to die a Methodist."

Well now, that is silly talk!

The question is not: Are you a Methodist?—or a Presbyterian, or a Baptist, or a Quaker, or a "Raker," or a "Shaker," or anything else; but the question is: ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

The All-important Question—ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

You have to be made to realize that you are a sinner, in the first place. That is what you are—a liar, a thief, full of uncleanness and iniquity, away from God, impure in word and thought, profane, vulgar, vile; because away from God you are not one whit above an animal. You eat and drink and sleep and grunt and die—just like an animal.

I have had men, the last week, say to me, "Voliva, some of the things you say go through me like a knife."

It is my prayer that what I say may go through you like a knife. I do not stand up here and pull out a little old written sermon and read it off, and then go home and go to bed for six days to recover from the effort, as I have seen Presbyterian preachers do.

I tell you, when the GOSPEL is preached it goes through you like an auger, and the Holy Ghost convicts you of sin.

Go and confess your wrongs!

How many of you men have broken your marriage vow?

How many of you women deceived the men who married you?

That is the question!

Let us get down to brass tacks!

Now then, when the Holy Ghost convicts you, you can yield or you can resist.

As the Holy Ghost convicts you, and imparts to your immortal spirit a holy motive for a better life, if you say, "I will surrender," then regeneration, conversion, and repentance have taken place, and you have to bring forth fruits meet for repentance.

Repentance!

Hear the voice of John the Baptist—of whom Jesus said, "Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist"—hear his voice ringing down through the ages: "REPENT YE!"

Hear the voice of Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, following John the Baptist: "THE KINGDOM OF GOD is at hand: REPENT YE!"

Hear the Apostle Peter, when they were pricked to their heart, and asked, "What shall we do?"—hear him saying, "REPENT!"

He did not tell them to "hit the trail," or sign a card. That is a lot of bunk!

I am after "Billy" Sunday and metaphorically I will skin him and hang his hide on the fence. He is making people two-fold more the children of the devil than they were before they ever heard him preach.

REPENTANCE!

May God help me to say the word "REPENTANCE," until it will ring into every ear in Chicago—into the ears of all the preachers and the church members.

I cannot think of language strong enough to characterize the ministers as a class. They are responsible for conditions today; and, like the Pharisees of old, they will neither go into THE KINGDOM themselves, nor will they allow those who are entering to enter.

Who are the fellows who will defend the hog?

The preachers!

The Eating of Swine's Flesh the Cause of Trichinosis and Cancer

No doubt you read in the papers last week about that family

who ate pork, and soon the father was a corpse, the child was a corpse, and three others were at the point of death.

Read the statement by that doctor, which was printed in all the Chicago papers, that one out of every ten who die in the Cook County Hospital, according to the post-mortem examinations, is afflicted with trichinosis; and further that these horrible cases of rheumatism are nothing more than the result of eating swine's flesh—the trichinae boring into the muscles.

God Almighty, from His throne, declared, "Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you."—Leviticus 11:8.

And when the man at Gadara, who was possessed of devils, rushed out, the devils recognized Jesus, and said, "Send us not out of the country, but suffer us to go into the herd of swine." Jesus said, "Go!" and two thousand hogs perished in an instant.

However, the preachers will stand up and defend the hog.

Let me get the people of Chicago, for one generation, to give up pork, tobacco, and vaccination, and I will give you one hundred dollars for every case of cancer you will find. But if people will continue to eat pork, use tobacco and submit to vaccination, then the people will continue to die, as they have the last year, eighty-one thousand of them—killed by that horrible disease, cancer.

REPENTANCE!

Look here! Do you want to go home and confess to your wife your cussedness?

No! You would rather "hit the trail" and shake hands with "Billy" Sunday, it is so much easier.

Do you want to go downtown tomorrow and confess to that street car company that you have stolen forty rides in the last twelve months, and pay for them?

Do you want to go to your employer and confess your crimes?

Do you want to go out and confess the wrongs of your life?

Do you?

That is the question!

Will you go and confess to your fellow men that you have been a liar and a cheat and a fraud, and will you make those wrongs right? If you do not do it, you may be a Methodist or a Presbyterian or a Baptist, and you may sing in the Choir, but you will go straight to hell!

Only Plain Preaching Effectual in Making True Converts

That is the plain teaching of the Word of God!

Now then, you say, "Mr. Voliva, you will never have any converts."

I say I am the only man in town who will have any converts.

They told me in Australia that I would never have any converts, but my first convert was Peter G. Evans, who was known all up and down Collins Street as the worst drunkard in the City of Melbourne. He was soundly converted, too.

You know, they tell a story about the Salvation Army, which is true of a lot of these so-called converts. It is said they got a fellow down to the bench who was drunk, and finally he said he had religion. They pronounced him converted, with several others like him, and the next day the papers came out with big headlines, giving the number of converts.

In these revivals they count their converts, you know, like you count your sheep or hogs.

Well, the next Sunday night this same fellow was down at the bench again, drunk. The officer said, "I am sorry to see you drunk again, my brother." The man said, "Oh, you are mistaken! I am not drunk again, this is the same drunk I had on last Sunday night: I have never sobered up."

Great conversion, is it not?

Some people think a few tears are a sign of conversion, but there is nothing in it.

Peter G. Evans was truly converted, and his life proved it.

I used to be a revivalist, and I would be one today if I were a hypocrite, for I could make my one hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year at it. But I am a Christian, and I live for humanity. I take only food, shelter, and raiment, and preach the Gospel without fear or favor.

What does crying amount to? It does not amount to anything—absolutely nothing!

Why, lots of people can cry—sure! I have cried many a time—but not because I was sorry: it was because my mother caught me and tanned my hide. I would do the same thing the next day, if I got the chance, and that is the way with a lot of people.

Emotion—there is a place for emotion; but a minister who

will play on the emotions of the people is an infernal scoundrel. That is the reason why, in lots of places, all the converts, for the most part, are women.

Now, nobody will pay a higher eulogy to women than I will. A woman in her proper place is next to an angel; out of her place she is a she-devil, and I would rather work with a mule any time. My mother was a woman, and I honor women; but they are more susceptible to hysterical influences than men are.

Modern Revivals Appeal to People's Emotions

A lot of this so-called religion is nothing but hysterics. I sat in a revival meeting once, and I remember distinctly two women who were there. As soon as they would come in they would start saying, "Glory! Glory!" and they would clap their hands. I turned around once and said, "You shut your mouth, and shut it quick, too!" One of them said, "I can't help it." I said, "Well, it is because you are full of the devil!"

The whole stock and trade, in a lot of these meetings, is the telling of a little story to make the people cry.

Why, you take up here in Minneapolis, when "Billy" Sunday preached and told a great story, all the people cried—yes, cried; and a lot of them "hit the trail."

What did they know about the *New Birth*?

I would like to put them on the front bench, and say, "My friends, will you tell me what the Lord Jesus Christ said was necessary before a man could become a Christian?"

Why, they would not know any more about it than a hog knows about Egyptian hieroglyphics!

"Will you please tell me what repentance means, and give me a few passages where it was commanded?"

They could not do it!

"Will you please tell me what repentance involves, in the way of confession and restitution?"

They would not know anything about it.

That is the reason why I say he has made those people two-fold more the children of hell than they were before, because he has deceived them—he has led them to think they are Christians, when they know nothing about it.

"Billy" tells the story about two little boys who went down to the river-bank to play. The father went off into the woods a little distance, and all at once he heard one of them yell; the other one had fallen into the stream and an alligator grabbed him. The father rushed back and grabbed an axe, and just as he made a dive with the axe the little boy in the alligator's mouth said, "Papa, hurry!"

I will guarantee the story is a lie! I do not believe any such thing ever happened. Stories of that kind are their stock and trade!

Is that preaching the Gospel!

No!—it is working on your feelings, getting you to cry a little bit! That is what some people like.

Ah, brothers and sisters, let us have some repentance—some genuine repentance! When you are "born again" there will be no more card-playing, dancing, smoking, chewing, gambling; the deeds of the "old man" will be gone.

How about the Church members? Their deeds are principally the deeds of the "old man," are they not?

Oh, I love the people, and I hate to see them deceived; but they are deceived all around.

The Masonic Fraternity Denies the Divinity of the Christ

Why, bless your life, one of the funniest things in the world to me, is to hear a man say, "Why, Mr. Voliva, don't you know that the Masonic Lodge is one of the noblest orders in the world! How can you say what you do?"

Now, he is as ignorant as a goat. What the average Freemason in Chicago knows about the history of the Masonic Lodge would not fill the flyleaf of a hymn book.

You know, they think King Solomon was the first Grand Master of the Masonic Lodge, and that it is hoary with antiquity; and they will say, "It is good enough for me."

They do not know that it is Baal worship—the worship of the point within the circle; and that Hiram Abiff is the Egyptian Osiris, as I can prove to any company of intelligent gentlemen, and show that the whole thing is a gigantic fraud, from the first line to the last.

Elder Taylor, stand up here!

You were a Methodist preacher at one time, were you not?

(Elder Taylor: "I was.")

I will use you for an illustration. We will suppose you have on only an old shirt and an old pair of drawers; that you have a hoodwink over your eyes and a rope around your neck, and that you are standing outside the door, in darkness, seeking Masonic regeneration.

Now then, you vow to have your throat cut from ear to ear, do you not? and you vow to have your body cut in twain.

Those are nice vows for Methodist ministers to take, are they not?

I want to tell you, that every man who has gone into that thing (unless he gets out of it) will go to hell! My father was a Worshipful Master for twenty-two years, but he never would allow one of his sons to go into it.

Another thing, do you dare mention the Name of Jesus the Christ in the Masonic Lodge Room?

(Elder Taylor: "I was Chaplain for eight years in the Masonic Lodge, and we were not allowed to mention the Name of the Christ.")

And yet everybody is afraid of them, because they say, "We will kill you."

For six weeks, in the City of Melbourne, I exposed them. Three hundred men, led by a major in the British army, lined up in Swanson Street and vowed they never would leave until they killed me. They must be there yet, for I am still alive.

Think of such a thing!

Roman Catholics Must Put United States before the Pope of Rome

And when it comes to Rome, everybody is afraid; because Rome, you know, will murder in a minute. She does not think any more of putting a bullet through a man than of spitting tobacco juice.

What did they do with Black, down here at Marshall, Texas?

What did they do with that tent in Minneapolis? They burned it, did they not? and the police stood and looked at it. That is the reason I say that unless men who are Roman Catholics will put the United States of America before the Pope of Rome, they will go out of politics—and go out good and hard, too!

The American people will wake up some day to find their cities all under the control of Rome—all the schools and everything else.

I stand for law and order. I have a right to discuss Rome, and they have a right to discuss Zion if they want to, I do not care.

I will not use any carnal weapon but the English language—figures of speech, and ridicule particularly.

Let them answer me, if they can!

It is an idolatrous system—worse than any system they have in heathen lands.

I will not spare these Methodist bishops! The cowards will say, "Why don't you let us alone?"

Think of these Christian Scientists! I am going to deliver six lectures in this City, and I will show that Christian Science is unchristian and antichristian.

I will show by Mrs. Eddy's writings that she denies that Jesus was the Christ; that she riddles the Bible to pieces—that she denies every truth of the Christian religion.

Then they say, "Mr. Voliva, why do you want to do it?" Because in the Day of Judgment I am going to hold up these two hands and say, "My God and Father, they are free from the blood of all men, for I have shunned not to declare the whole counsel of God."

That is what is needed!

Most Ministers Afraid to Preach the New Birth

How could you expect the New Birth to be preached by such fellows?

(A Voice: "They do not know anything about it themselves.")

No, they do not know anything about it themselves!

I have had ministers old enough to be my father throw their arms around my neck and say, "Mr. Voliva, you are right; but I cannot preach as you do."

One Presbyterian minister said to me, "I have eight hundred members, and only about fifty-five of them attend prayer meeting; all the others are the leading card-players, dancers, and theatregoers in this City. I am called by the people and hired to preach for so much."

I say to these ministers, "You do not know what the New Birth is!" I challenge the preachers in Chicago to let me address them for two hours—providing they will furnish me a squad of police to get me out alive; because when I get going once I will stir up all the devils in them.

People write to me and say, "I heard you once, and you stirred up all the devils in me."

I say, "Thank God!"

There are women here with devils in them, and may God help me to stir them up. There are men here with two thousand devils in them—and I tell you, when one can stir up two thousand devils, that is doing something; and don't you make any mistake about it!

The New Birth—"born again!"

Repentance!

Confession!

Restitution!

Living the NEW LIFE—the HOLY LIFE!

Pure thinking!

Pooh! It makes me smile when people talk about Sunday newspapers. Tell me a man who is a Christian would buy and read a Sunday newspaper? How before God *could* he do it?

Think of it!

Oh, think of it!

"Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it"—what?

(People: "Holy.")

The Sunday Newspaper Responsible for Much Sabbath Breaking

The Sunday newspaper is the devil's Bible, preaching the Gospel of hell; and when you are full of a Sunday newspaper, is there any room for God?

A man who would read a Sunday newspaper, I would not give you the snap of my finger for his christianity!

I will tell you another thing, no man or woman who is a Christian will desecrate the Lord's Day; everything that is done will be done for God's honor and glory.

You mark what I tell you, every one will answer to God Almighty!

This is the year 1916; and, if we accept the corrected chronology, it is the year 1920. Almost six thousand years have gone. What is the seventh thousand? It is the Millennium!

This Age has already continued longer than any other age in the history of the world. The Antediluvian Age was comparatively a short one, and it closed with the flood. One hundred and twenty years God gave the people to repent. He had a prophet, Noah, who preached the Gospel and built the ark; and the people would not listen to him. They laughed at him, and called him a fool, and pooh-poohed the idea of a flood; but the flood CAME!

The Jewish Age lasted for eighteen hundred and forty-six years. When Pilate would release Jesus, the people said, "Release Barabbas, and crucify the Christ;" and again, "His blood be on us, and on our children."

ZION is not a theory, it is a FACT! We have a picture here of six hundred and fifty children, youths and maidens, born without doctors and who have never tasted drugs. That is the greatest testimony since the days of Christ and the apostles.

Another thing, three surgeons, reputed to be the greatest surgeons in the world, gave statistics to the effect that one-third of all women in childbirth, in the hands of the doctors, die. I can show you hundreds upon hundreds of mothers, with a multitude of children, who trust God. I can show you a record, for ten years, that will astound the world.

It is not a theory, it is a fact!

While there were twelve thousand who died from *la grippe* here in Chicago, there was not a single death in ZION from that disease; nor a case of pneumonia.

I tell you, get people to live for God—clean, pure, holy lives—and you will soon see a well generation.

Jesus the Christ, The only Pathway to Salvation, to Healing, to Holy Living

How I love to exalt my Lord and Master! When anyone seeks to drag His Name in the dust, I will go after him. I will prove that a man who denies the Divinity of Christ, even though he may call himself a Christian, is without the Ark of Safety. There is no salvation in any other name than the Name of Jesus.

The Bible says:

"And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is

come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of *antichrist*, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world." (I John 4:3)

Christian Science is *antichrist* from start to finish.

Some one says, "Are there not nice people in it?"

Why, yes; and there are nice men who are saloon-keepers, too. I have known men who were saloon-keepers who did not drink a drop.

I hate the damnable business, and no man can run a saloon without going to hell. Think of a man who will sell liquid fire and distilled damnation, which destroys humanity!

If there is a saloon-keeper here today, may God Almighty touch your heart and break it!

We have a number of saloon-keepers who have been converted—one is now an elder in the Church, and another is a deacon.

Oh, if there is one here today who is handling that accursed stuff—liquid fire and distilled damnation, in which lurks a rattlesnake—my friend, get out of the business! You had better break stones on the street than to make money and land in hell at last, and have the poor destroyed men and women and children clawing at you with the hands of demons for having damned them here on earth.

Oh, that the Spirit of God may strive this afternoon!

I will tell you, it is no easy matter to preach the Gospel in this the year 1916. The Jewish Age lasted for eighteen hundred and forty-six years. Jesus stood and looked at the golden-domed temple, and He said, "Verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down."

His lowly disciples asked Him, "Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world (or the close of the age)?"

Terrible Judgments Awaiting an Ungodly World

He answered, "Beware of false Christs. There will be wars, rumors of wars, earthquakes, famines, and pestilences."

This Brother here (referring to Elder Taylor) was living in San Francisco at the time of the great earthquake, and he can tell you how the great City Hall, which cost its multiplied millions, in a second of time, was thrown to the ground; how the earthquake plowed great fissures in the streets, and how the people beat their breasts, and the cries and screams of the children rose above the crackling of the flames and the tumult of the city.

My brothers and sisters, the people of old said, "Crucify Him! His blood be on us, and on our children!"

There were three walls around Jerusalem. In the year 70 A. D. Titus infested Jerusalem with the great Roman army, and he battered at the outside wall and went through it; he went through the second wall, and then sent word—"Surrender the city to us and we will spare your lives." But they would not do it. Famine was in the city—mothers took their own children and gnawed the flesh from their bodies to keep them from starving.

Titus went on, until the streets of Jerusalem were dyed with the blood of the victims. The prophecy of Christ came true—they tore down the temple and plowed the site where it had rested.

And so today the voice of Jesus comes ringing down through the ages, saying that the earth that then was, being overflowed with water, is now stored up with fire, reserved unto the day of judgment against ungodly men. At any moment it may break forth.

Oh, how glorious to be able to say, "Lord, I am resting securely in Thee. I have no fears of war, rumors of war, earthquakes, pestilences, famines; the terrible hail that Revelation says shall fall upon men, until one-third of the people shall be destroyed; floods, hurricanes, cyclones—the judgments of God Almighty upon a godless world."

Think of the poor people in Europe today!

John Alexander Dowie, in the City of London, was not allowed a pillow upon which to lay his head. He told them, in a stirring, prophetic message, what would happen. In his prophesies you will find every movement of the airships of these warring nations described; you will find pictured the dropping of bombs, like in form to lead pencils; and you will find his command to all ZION people in European countries to sell their properties and come to ZION.

Some did; there sits a gentleman back there who did. He gave his testimony on Tuesday, and named five others who did not, and they are in the trenches in Europe this afternoon.

The Great Responsibility of Preaching the Gospel

My brothers and sisters, as I stand here this afternoon—not of my own choice; because if I owned the world, I would give it to my God if He would let somebody else deliver this message.

I tell you, it is no easy matter to come out against Rome; against secret societies of every kind; against the churches, with their multi-millionaires; against the tobacco trust and the American medical trust; against theater-goers and card-players and dancers—and against the WORLD!

However, God has given the message, and it *shall be* delivered, even if I have to seal it with my blood; and out of it all God will gather His children.

No mincing matters!

The New Birth!

The New Birth!

You must be "BORN AGAIN!"

Have you the witness of the Holy Ghost that you are a child of God?

You say, "Mr. Voliva, what harm is there in dancing?"

Shame on you!—ten thousand times shame!

"What harm is there in a chew of tobacco, or in a drink of whisky?"

Shame on you!

The new-born creature in Christ Jesus will say, "What good is there in it?"

There is the standard, and I say to the people, "Come on, let us go up to it, by the grace and the help of God!" Do not ask that the standard be brought down!

Oh, what a mess we have in this world!—what a mess!

Now then, if God Almighty has not established ZION, I want nothing to do with it.

The Bride of Jesus the Christ Being Prepared

However, in these last days, in these times of extreme peril, I believe God Almighty, in fulfillment of a long line of prophecies, has brought ZION forth—the little beginning, which will increase until the Bride is prepared; and then Gabriel will sound his trumpet, the Lord will come, and the righteous departed and the righteous living will be caught up together to meet the Lord in the air. Then for three years and one-half the awful time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, will be upon the earth—the time of universal financial chaos, when all institutions will crumble to wreck and ruin; and at the end of that time the Lord, with His saints, will return to sit upon the throne of ZION at Jerusalem, where He will rule over this earth.

What a glorious truth!

What a terrible fact!

And so if God has not founded ZION, I want nothing to do with it; for I have no time for human organizations. But if it is God's organization, what a dreadful thing not to see it!—what an awful thing not to see it! What a terrible thing not to have your eyes open to behold the fulfillment of God Almighty's Word and the preparation for the coming of the King—the preparation of the Bride, who is to be arrayed in garments of spotless white; nothing else will answer.

Are you a part of the Bride?

Are you a part of the Bride of Jesus the Christ, who is watching and waiting and longing to see His lovely Face?

Are you?

Do you want Jesus to come and find you in a saloon, drinking liquid fire and distilled damnation? Do you want the Lord to come and find you in a dance hall? Do you want the Lord to come and find you serving the devil at a card-party? Or do you want Him to find you in the prayer meeting, reading His Word and singing hymns of praise?

O my brothers and sisters, fall down before God today and give your hearts and your lives to Him! Make a full surrender! The power of God is unlimited—all things are possible with God!

Next Lord's Day afternoon there will be a number of witnesses on this platform. There will be one man here who will give you the names and addresses of the doctors who treated him when he was in the third year of old-fashioned consumption, weighing less than one hundred pounds. He was a Lutheran, but a drunkard and a tobacco soak. Next Lord's Day he will tell the story of how God took away the appetite for liquor and tobacco, and perfectly healed him, until today he weighs about two hundred pounds.

Come and hear the testimony of a woman who had cancer, until parts of the breast bone were falling out. She will tell you how God healed her and made her perfectly well.

Zion is not a Theory, Zion is a Fact!

Little Eva Mae Rendall will be here, who was at one time entirely paralyzed on one side, and she will tell her sweet little story.

ZION is a fact!

The Great God of Heaven—Who made us, Who loves us, and Who sent Jesus the Christ to die for us—is the SAME GOD He always was; and Jesus the Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever—the same Cleanser, the same Savior, the same Healer, the same Keeper.

The only trouble is with the *people*.

Who are the enemies of the people today?

The infernal preachers, and nobody else!

Good old John Wesley preached Divine Healing. One time when he was on his way to a certain place to preach, his horse was taken violently sick, and he lifted his heart to God for healing; and God answered his prayer.

"I AM THE LORD WHO HEALETH THEE."

Oh, I wish God would give me eyes that I might peer into every nook and corner of Chicago, and into every heart. Could I stand it? I do not think so; I do not think any human being could stand it. I can imagine what it would be like.

ZION, the time is short; the day is far spent, and the night is coming. Let not thine hands be slack! Take the Word to poor sin-stricken, disease-smitten humanity; tell them the old, old story.

Oh, may God break your hearts today!

When I wrote that subject—"Methodist Dancers, dancing their way to Hell; Presbyterian Card-players, playing their way to Hell; Episcopalian Theater-goers, laughing their way to Hell; Apostate Church Bazaar Stealers, wheedling Money out of Hell-destined Sinners"—I thought to myself, "O God, let the chariot wheels sweep on and let the judgments come, and may the Lord come and take His own out of this sin-cursed world!"

Think of it! And then some say—and perhaps some here today will go out and say it—"Do not like him!" Well, that is your loss, my friend, it is not mine. The fact that you do not like me does not hurt me any. If I have given you God Almighty's Word, if I have given you God Almighty's message, you *dare not* reject it, except at your own peril!

You are not accustomed to an authoritative preacher. Why, in every city where I preach, when I say, "I come here as God Almighty's ambassador, with Divine credentials," you ought to see how the people look.

The Great Commission of Jesus the Christ

They forget that Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, just before He went to His Father, as He stood looking at His apostles there in Galilee where He had arranged to meet them—they forget that He said to them:

"All authority is given unto Me in heaven and in earth.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

When the people heard Jesus the Christ they were astonished: for it is written, "He taught them as One having authority, and not as the scribes."

My friends, this Bible is the Precious Word of God. I am glad to stand up and proclaim the verbal inspiration of the Bible; that God not only inspired the thoughts, but the words—Divine thoughts expressed in Divine words—God Almighty's words.

Will you dare dispute them?

Will you dare to go away and say, "I will do as I please?"

You had better examine the Word of God and find out whether this thing which is called ZION is the fulfillment of prophecy, or whether it is the creation of a man. You had better examine the Scriptures and find out the time in which you are living. You had better ascertain whether it marks the close of the Gospel Age and the birth of the Millennium. You had better find out whether from this movement has been proclaimed the birth of "the times of the restoration of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began."

Why is my preaching different from that of the rank and file of ministers?

Let me submit this to you for your own thought and consideration: Would any man, with talents that would bring him more success along other lines, choose to deliver a message of this kind, without money and without price? Could any man originate this message? Could any human being, of his own volition, deliver the message that goes forth from ZION?

Certainly not!

Therefore, when people say, "I never heard anybody preach as he does! Why, our preacher never talks that way!"—it sets a man to thinking.

Of course, most of the preachers, all they give the people is a lot of soft-soap, mush and gush, and silly platitudes.

I say it is horrible mockery!

Why, in one church there was a male quartet, and while the preacher would be preaching his sermon, they would be sitting out on the curbstone in front of the church smoking cigars; and when it came time for the preacher to announce the invitation hymn, these four fellows would come back in and sing, "Come Then, and join this Holy Band"—and they stunk like a lot of skunks.

Think of that! I say it is mockery! It is sacrilegious and blasphemous!

I remember one lady singer who used to stand for several minutes fixing her mouth, getting ready to sing.

I tell you, I would a million times rather have things like they used to be. You know, some old brother would start up a song—like "Palms of Victory," for instance—and everybody would join in, until they would nearly raise the roof off the house.

Why?

Because they had GOD in them!

When I was a little boy in knee breeches I used to go to Class Meeting, and I always stayed for the Love Feast; and when I would go outside the other boys would poke fun at me.

I am glad I went. I am thankful to my God that I never

knew anything else but to go to Class Meeting and Sunday School.

God's Clock has Struck the Hour for the Building up of Zion

Now then, you may not like it, but God's clock is striking the hour when the old order must GO; and with it will go all of your old churches. God is done with them!

Some Sunday I will read you a plain passage of Scripture which will show you that God is done with the Methodist Church—done with all the churches; and He says, "Come out of her, My people!"

If you choose to stay with dancers, card-players, and theater-goers—betrayers of the Christ, what does He say? That you will share in her (Babylon's) plagues!

Give your heart to God!

Cut loose!

Make a full surrender!

Then you will find salvation, healing, holy living, joy unspeakable and full of glory, and peace that passeth understanding.

I ask you now, every one in this audience who wants to give himself and herself to God, to stand up, and let us pray together. (With few exceptions the entire congregation stood, and repeated after the General Overseer, clause by clause, the following prayer of consecration.)

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. Take me as I am, and make me what I ought to be, in spirit, in soul, and in body. Help me to repent, to confess, to restore—to do right no matter what it costs! O God, fill me with Thy Spirit, with Thy love. Keep me steadfast until Jesus comes. In Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Did you mean it?

(Voices: "Yes.")

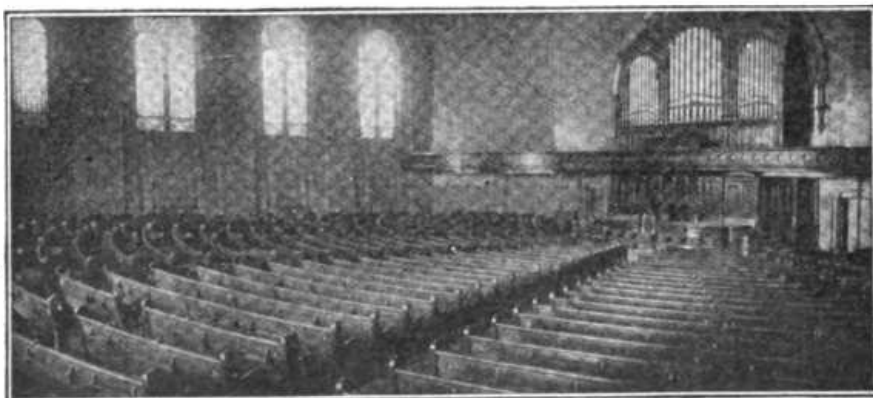
GENERAL OVERSEER: Then may God help you to live it!

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THE PIGHEADEDNESS OF METHODISM

By Apostle Anton Darms

THE APOSTASY of the Church is portrayed in the Word of God as one of the most significant signs of the closing of the Gospel age. Hundreds of various Church denominations and sects have arisen within the last century. The result of these many organizations in the Christian Church has been not only the lack of unity and co-operation among God's people, but it has given opportunity for innumerable evils to creep within the borders of the Christian Church and so rob it of its purity of doctrine and practice.

CHURCH LEADERS SEEKING TO EFFECT A FEDERATION OF THEIR MANY FACTIONS

There has been a great deal of agitation of late on the part of many leaders of the Churches, to effect a federation of their various organizations and bodies which have been fighting each other.

The most striking move that has been made along this line is the effort recently put forth, to bring about a unity of the various Methodist bodies. A conference was recently held in the first Methodist Church at Evanston, made up of representatives of the leading Methodist bodies, in which Bishop E. R. Hendrix read an appeal, asking the prayers of eight million Methodists, for the purpose of bringing about the unity of American Methodism.

Let the readers of this article understand from the outset, that the purpose of this conference was not to call upon the people of the Methodist Church to repent of their sins, and to humble themselves before Almighty God for their rebellion against Him, but only to bring about a unity of organization between the many different divisions of Methodism.

The main purpose of the leaders of this conference was not to bring about a unity between the true followers of the Christ, but how to bring about a unity between all the nominal members of the Methodist Church regardless of whether they are citizens of THE KINGDOM, and followers of the Christ.

The president of the Protestant Methodist Church, Dr. T. H. Lewis of Westminster, Md., said at this conference; "Billy Sunday's great power is due very largely to his organization. What Mr. Sunday works for months in advance to get in a community, the Methodists with one-third of the Evangelical Church population within its ranks can have always. Love will find a way for us to unite. If we could only have a general love-feast once in awhile instead of a general conference, where there is so much discussion about peace, we might make some progress toward union. Our whole trouble—pardon me, Mr. Chairman, I've got to use an ugly word—our whole trouble is Pigheadedness. Those of you who have tried to drive pigs out of a lot know what I mean." (The Methodist knows a great deal about pigs and pig products—*Editor*.)

This is a very frank but true confession not only of the condition of the various Methodist bodies, but of the entire Protestant, as well as Roman Catholic Church organizations—**PIGHEADEDNESS.**

THE APOSTOLIC JOHN WESLEY, THE ILLUSTRIOUS FOUNDER OF METHODISM

It is our purpose, however, in this article, not to deal with the apostasy in general, as much as to expose the terrible conditions into which the Methodist Church has fallen since its founding by the illustrious father of Methodism, the sainted and apostolic John Wesley.

We do not, for one moment, deny that John Wesley was sent of God for the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel of THE KINGDOM in the power of the Holy Spirit. Anyone who is at all familiar with the conditions which prevailed in the Church of England during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, well understands why it was necessary for God to raise up this special messenger, for the purpose of reproofing sin, calling the people to repentance, commanding them to live a life of true piety and holiness and to abstain from every form of evil which had crept into the Episcopal Church.

John Wesley, born in Epworth, England, June 17, 1703, was the son of the rector of Epworth. After receiving his education at Christ Church, Oxford, he took the priest's orders in the Episcopal Church in 1728. At this time he was instrumental in bringing together a number of young men, for the purpose of studying the Scriptures, engaging in prayer, visiting the poor and preaching the Gospel to the prisoners in jail at Oxford.

He took a journey to America in 1735 and after preaching on this Continent for a number of years, returned to England. On the journey home he was deeply convicted that he was only a nominal professor of the Christian faith, and being brought in touch with a moravian missionary, Peter Bohler, he was brought to decide for Christ to a saving knowledge of the Gospel and to a consciousness of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

After returning to England, he spent much time preaching in the open air. Thousands upon thousands of people were converted through his faithful ministry. A large number of godly men co-operated with him in forming and nurturing Methodist associations, which rose in many different places. He continued for over fifty years in the actual ministry, passing away in 1791. He considered himself and the eighty thousand members of his society constituent parts of the Episcopal Church.

There can be no question but that John Wesley was called of God for the purpose of founding an Apostolic, Christian, Catholic Church. It was John Alex. Dowie who, speaking of John Wesley's ministry, said:

"He did not know that God was calling him to Restore the Primitive, Apostolic, Christian and Catholic Church.

"I believe that John Wesley was called by a loud Voice from God to reestablish the Primitive, Christian, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

"John Wesley, however, was a very modest, quiet man, and did not realize the immensity of the strength of his own movement.

"He did not see that God had called him to bring back the Church; not only to save sinners, but to keep sinners saved, and to extend the power of THE KINGDOM OF GOD by destroying the Church apostasies which cursed England."

Instead of John Wesley, the mighty man of God, organizing a Church upon the apostolic basis, he and his adherents remained in the midst of the apostasy of the Episcopal Church, appropriating for the most part the doctrine as well as the form of organization of the Episcopacy.

DEPARTURE FROM THE DISCIPLINE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

In the establishment of the Methodist Society upon the American Continent, during the time of the Revolutionary War, another great error was made, in putting the authority of the Bishops in subjection to the General Conference of the Methodist Church, giving the people, through this provision, the right to rule themselves. Notwithstanding that this blunder was made in the building of American Methodism, a high standard was demanded in the beginning of the Methodist Church through its Bishops and Ministers, in demanding of the people to take a pronounced stand against intoxicating liquors, dancing, theaters, any amusements of a questionable moral tendency, as can be seen from Section 248 of the discipline of the Methodist Church.

"In cases of neglect of duties of any kind, imprudent conduct, indulging sinful tempers or words, the buying, selling, or using intoxicating liquors as a beverage, signing petitions in favor of granting license for the sale of intoxicating liquors, becoming bondsmen for persons engaged in such traffic, renting property as a place in or on which to manufacture or sell intoxicating liquors, dancing, playing at games of chance, attending theaters, horse races, circuses, dancing parties, or patronizing dancing schools, or taking such other amusements as are obviously of a misleading or questionable moral tendency, or disobedience to the order and Discipline of the Church—first, let private reproof be given by the Pastor or Leader, and if there be an acknowledgment of the fault, and proper humiliation, the

person may be borne with. On the second offense the Pastor or Leader may take one or two discreet Members of the Church. On a third offense let him be brought to trial, and if found guilty, and there be no sign of real humiliation, he shall be expelled."

Had the clergy of the Methodist Church enforced these restrictions, the blessing of God would have been manifested in the building up of a true Church. But since it has been only a dead letter and all kind of elements of unconverted and ungodly people have been permitted to enter in and remain within the Church, a gradual apostasy took place as time went on, until today, the Methodist Church no longer represents the high standard placed before it by its founder and practised by the early Methodist Societies.

JOHN WESLEY PROPHESED THE DOOM OF METHODISM

It was given to John Wesley shortly before his death to utter a most significant prophecy concerning the apostasy of Methodism. We will insert a brief portion of the famous prophecy of John Wesley, written in London on August 4th, 1786.

"Methodism is only plain, Scriptural religion, guarded by a few prudential regulations. The essence of it is holiness of heart and life; the circumstantial all point to this. And as long as they are joined together in the people called Methodists, no weapon formed against them shall prosper. But if even the circumstantial parts are despised, the essential will soon be lost. And if ever the essential parts should evaporate, what remains will be dung and dross.

"It surely concerns us to understand how the case stands with us at present. I fear, wherever riches have increased (exceeding few are the exception), the essence of religion, the mind that was in Christ, has decreased in the same proportion. Therefore do I not see how it is possible, in the nature of things, for any revival of true religion to continue long. For religion must necessarily produce both industry and frugality; and these cannot but produce riches. But as riches increase, so will pride, anger, and love of the world in all its branches.

"How, then, is it possible that Methodism, that is, the religion of the heart, though it flourishes now as a green bay tree, should continue in this state? For the Methodists in every place grow diligent and frugal; consequently, they increase in goods. Hence they proportionately increase in pride, in anger, in the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, and the pride of life. So, although the form of religion remains, the spirit is swiftly vanishing away.

"Is there no way to prevent this? this continual declension of pure religion? We ought not to forbid people to be diligent and frugal; we must exhort all Christians to gain all they can and to save all they can; that is, in effect, to grow rich! What way then (I ask again), can we take, that our money may not sink us to the nethermost hell? There is one way, and there is no other under heaven. If those who 'gain all they can,' and 'save all they can,' will likewise 'give all they can,' then, the more they gain, the more they will grow in grace, and the more treasure they will lay up in heaven."

This wonderful prophecy of the founder of the Methodist Church has been fulfilled to the very letter. He saw that there was but one remedy to prevent the Methodist Church from having a continual declension of pure religion, and that was, for the people to use their resources of money and property to lay up treasures in heaven; he saw that, unless his followers use their resources for God and His Kingdom that nothing would remain of the Methodist Church but "DUNG AND DROSS."

The Methodist Church has not been willing to live up to the high standard, placed before it by its founder, but it has gone after the ways of the world, the flesh, and the devil. It has openly violated many of God's plain commandments and statutes. It has refused to follow in the footsteps of the meek and lowly Savior. It has become merely a nominal Church, from which the Glory of God has departed and over the doors of which the divine hand has written the word "Ichabod."

There have been some noble men of God within the ranks of Methodism who have openly and publicly protested against its worldliness and we will insert in this article some of the strong statements, made by these Ministers, exposing the terrible condition existing in the Methodist Church.

JOHN ALEX. DOWIE'S CONFLICT WITH THE METHODIST APOSTASY

When John Alex. Dowie came to this Continent and proclaimed the Gospel to many, in many cities and centers of this land, thousands of people were willing to heed the call of God given by him. Multitudes were saved from a life of sin, from the use of intoxicating liquors and the filthy use of tobacco. Multitudes were healed of all manner of diseases in answer to the prayer of faith.

It was not John Alex. Dowie's purpose to establish a new Church, because he gave the command to those who were saved and healed under his ministry to return to their Church organizations and to witness publicly and privately what God had wrought in them.

The Methodist Church, as well as all other Churches, repudiated the testimony of Salvation, Healing and Cleansing that was given through John Alex. Dowie's ministry.

The Christian Catholic, later the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, was not founded until John Alex. Dowie found it necessary to expose the apostasy of the many different Church organizations.

At the time the Methodist General Conference was holding its sessions in the Chicago Auditorium, during the month of May in 1900, John Alex. Dowie delivered nine discourses bearing on "Zion's conflict with Methodist Apostasy," especially in connection with Free-Masonry, which discourses have been published in the LEAVES OF HEALING and also in a separate volume.

The most vitriolic denunciation of the Methodist Apostasy went forth from his lips, calling upon the Bishops, the Clergy and the people of the Methodist Apostasy to renounce their sins, to humble themselves before Almighty God and to return to their first love. But it was all in vain, as far as changing the conditions existing within the Methodist Church; the only result being, that here and there a few of the chosen saints were led of God to renounce the Methodist Apostasy and come into ZION.

It is no longer necessary for ZION today to expose the conditions prevailing in the Methodist Church, for their own leaders have been compelled, of recent years, to expose the horrible conditions existing in their midst.

As we have said in the beginning of this article that one of the representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church said: "Our whole trouble is PIGHEADEDNESS, those of you who have tried to drive pigs out of a lot know what I mean."

We have read the Scripture of the Christ separating the sheep from the goats, but now, according to this statement of one of the leading men of Methodism, this apostate organization consists not only of goats, but also of pigs. As we examine the conditions existing in the Methodist Church, we are inclined to believe that this statement is true, giving us to understand that the Methodist Church is to be compared to a pig-sty instead of a goat-stall. In this Methodist-pig-sty, a herd of swine are practising all manner of filthy habits and living like the Prodigal Son upon the offscouring of the world, the flesh and the devil.

If this statement of this leading representative of the Methodist Church is true, that the principal trouble of Methodism is "PIGHEADEDNESS," then it is time for one and all of God's people to forsake this abominable apostasy and this filthy organization which permits within its pig-sty inclosure, the horrible filth of liquor, tobacco, swine's-flesh, theaters, dancing, and every other concoction and institution of hell.

We call attention first to the pigheadedness of the unfaithful shepherds within the Methodist Church. The Word of God declares in many places the great responsibility that is placed upon those who are called to proclaim His Word, to sound the trumpet of warning for God's people, feed the flock of God, and to rule them as faithful shepherds. Jesus Himself sets the example of what a true shepherd is to be to his flock, how he is to be instrumental in feeding the lambs, in guiding the sheep and protecting them from every enemy.

No greater responsibility can be put upon a minister of the Christ than to be entrusted with the care and oversight of the Church.

The early Apostolic Church has set the example for all time and ages, how to proclaim the Gospel of repentance and salvation, how to pray the prayer of faith for the sick and afflicted, and how to set a high standard of holy living before an ungodly world.

THE FALSE SHEPHERDS OF METHODISM ENGAGED IN BAAL WORSHIP

Instead of the Bishops and Ministers of the Methodist Church following the example of the Apostolic Church and also the inspiring example of John and George Wesley, of feeding the flock upon the Word of God, they have taken it upon themselves to be false shepherds for the purpose of feeding themselves.

Ye eat the fat and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?—Ezekiel 34:3, 4, 10, 18.

Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.—I. Peter 5:2, 4.

The Bishops and the Clergy of the Methodist Church have given themselves up to Baal worship in their alliance with Free Masonry and have thus pledged themselves to keep the covenant of death and hell, decreed by the blood-curdling oaths demanded in the Masonic and other secret fraternities.

How is it possible for one who has bowed his knees before the altar of Baal, where he denies the truths of the Christian Religion, and rejects Jesus as the Christ eventually, to then enter the pulpit and preach a sermon which shall call the people to repentance of their sins?

The devil has captured the ministry of the Methodist Church for the most part and has caused them to pervert many of the teachings of the Word of God, practicing the sprinkling of children and adults for baptism, instead of Triune Immersion; rejecting the teaching on divine healing, making so-called medical science the twin-sister of religion; teaching that the days of miracles are past and that God no longer hears and answers the prayer of faith for the sick and dying; and therefore turning them over into the hands of doctors and surgeons who devour the flock of God as a pack of ravening wolves.

A portion of the Methodist Episcopal Church has eliminated a specific naming of prohibited indulgences, thereby allowing the people the free and open opportunity of using intoxicating liquors and tobacco, the indulgence in theater-going, card-playing and dancing.

LEADERS OF METHODISM MAKE A PLEA FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE BAN ON TOBACCO

Bishop Collins Denny, one of the representatives of the southern Church, at the recent Conference held in Evanston assailed the prohibition of the use of tobacco by ministers of the Church, in the following terms:—

"We must be on our guard on this question of discipline; where do we get our right to prohibit the use of tobacco? Some say it is the filthiness of the flesh. If we propose to continue this—well, I believe it is a step in the wrong direction. I would bring every one of those men who are prohibited in the ministry because of the use of tobacco, back into the Church. If it be bad for the man coming into the ministry, how about the man coming into the Church? Again I warn you to be on your guard on this question of discipline."

Can there be plainer evidence that the Ministry of Methodism is troubled with PIGHEADEDNESS than to hear one of its leaders justify the use of the filthy, dirty and disgusting tobacco on the part of the ministry, as well as the members of the Church?

Prof. Wilbur F. Tillet of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., also joined in the warnings against placing restrictions on Methodists.

"I have been teaching young men preparing for the ministry for many years; I tried by appeals to the highest motives to get the young men to agree to promise not to use tobacco. But they say, 'Look at Bishop So and So.' The only way to put a stop to it is to compel them to sign the pledge."

Bishop Collins Denny declared the action of the general conference in barring men from entering the ministry, unless they promise to abstain from the use of tobacco, to be a dangerous tendency, because it was making rules for the Church other than

those specifically laid down in the Scriptures. "If this rule had been enforced in early Methodism, it would have kept out of the Church the first Bishop, Francis Asbury, and other Bishops, like McKendree and some now honored in the Church."

In regard to the question of amusements, Prof. W. F. Tillet expressed himself that the Methodist Church had been too strict.

Bishop W. F. McDowell of Evanston said; "To provide amusements is to be one of the big tasks of the united Methodism of the future."

Bishop J. W. Hamilton of Boston said; "Amusement is a necessity of nature and should not prevent union."

When we consider that the Methodist Church is filled with people, given up to the use of tobacco, strong drink, alcoholic stimulants, drugs and thousands of medical concoctions and besides this, filled up with products of "his dirty majesty, the American hog," need we wonder that its own leaders make the accusation that Methodism is suffering with PIGHEADEDNESS?

Is it any wonder that the prophecy of John Wesley has been fulfilled to the very letter, that Methodism has ended in "DUNG AND DROSS?"

How can it be otherwise but that the Methodist Church should be troubled with PIGHEADEDNESS, when we consider the fact that its members for generations have lived upon the unspeakable filthy swine's-flesh and in the face of its prohibition by the plain Word of God, prefer their ham and bacon and other products of the hog to the obedience of God's hygienic ordinance and statute!

MANY EVILS TOLERATED IN MODERN METHODISM

If any should take exception to our opposition against Methodism because of its PIGHEADEDNESS, there are other and still worse evils in Methodism that are bringing about its doom and destruction, or as John Wesley put it, its "DUNG AND DROSS."

No one, for one moment, can deny the fact that millions of Methodists are advocates of drugs and patent medicines and other remedies and in time of sickness, rather than to trust the living God Who is the Healer of His people to answer prayer in their behalf, they prefer to fill themselves up with all manner of hellish concoctions and thereby prove, if not their PIGHEADEDNESS, at least their DRUGHEADEDNESS, which is a far worse evil than PIGHEADEDNESS.

Vast numbers of men and boys in Methodism are habitual users of tobacco, making themselves offensive to decent society by their smoking, chewing and snuffing of tobacco, a barbarian habit, handed down by the American Indians to so-called Christian people, who in the face of the plain command of the Word of God to make the body "the temple of the Holy Spirit," make it a sewerage of tobacco, the worst filth of modern civilization and thereby prove, if not their PIGHEADEDNESS, their TOBACCO-HEADEDNESS, which is far worse.

Vast multitudes of Methodist women, as well as children, are regular patrons of theaters and moving picture shows, feeding on scenes that produce immorality in the home and society. They prefer this unclean atmosphere, exhibited in these places of amusement, rather than to practice purity of heart, as commanded by Jesus the Christ. Methodism thereby proves that it is suffering of THEATERHEADEDNESS as well as PIGHEADEDNESS.

We might go on enumerating one evil after another, such as endorsing secret orders, Sunday newspapers, card playing, dancing and other evils which are condoned by the Methodist Bishops and Clergy in the very face of the restrictions of the Methodist discipline. But these will suffice to show that the trouble with Methodism today is not merely from one source, which one of its leaders has mentioned—the pig—the effect of which this leader called PIGHEADEDNESS, but there are many causes besides pigs, and many worse effects than PIGHEADEDNESS, which are bringing about the doom and destruction of Methodism.

Methodism reveals its PIGHEADEDNESS by denying the power of God in true experimental religion.

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.—II. Timothy 3:5.

They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient and unto every good work reprobate.—Titus 1:16.

In early Methodism, the people gathered regularly in prayer meetings, listening to the Word of God, giving their testimonies publicly of the blessings received from the hand of God; there

was life, there was peace, there was joy in the hearts of multitudes in early Methodism.

But today we find the Churches empty, the prayer meetings forsaken, the family altar has vanished and old and young are found in theaters, moving picture shows, places of amusements, reading Sunday newspapers, desecrating the Lord's Day, robbing God of tithes and offerings and fully given up to a life of ease and pleasure.

CONTRAST BETWEEN EARLY AND MODERN METHODISM

Dr. Richardson of the Baltimore Conference contrasts former Methodism with that of the present time. He says; "The old Church was paternal, brotherly, social, fervent; the new, legal, political, commercial; the old was an evangel; the new an ecclesiasticism. The old held to the traditional interpretation of Scripture; the new has accepted broader, popular views. Inspiration is giving place to regulation, unction to law."

Dr. L. W. Munhall in his recent book, "Breakers! Methodism Adrift" quotes from the "Episcopala Address" delivered at Minneapolis in 1912—"The spiritual thermometer registers certain conditions that create anxiety. Our distinctive doctrines are not emphasized as they once were; or, where preached, discredited for the time by a gainsaying world, drunk with vain philosophies and sated with gluttonous indulgence. The emphasis of Wesley's great movement was on the necessity of the new birth as evidenced by the depravity of the human soul. Has this generation so demonstrated goodness that we need no longer insist upon spiritual regeneration? What prophet or apostle is vouching for the moral character of this generation that the Christian pulpit has become silent about human depravity and the judgment to come? That a mad contagion of greed, worldliness, pride and lust has invaded the Churches, and that many thousands of all denominations have turned away from their vows without compunction, it is useless to deny."

Bishop Foster says: "The Church of God is today courting the world. Its members are trying to bring it down to the level of the ungodly. The ball, the theater, nude and lewd art, social luxuries, with their loose moralities, are making inroads into the sacred inclosure of the Church, and as a satisfaction for all this worldliness, Christians are making a great deal of Lent and Easter and Good Friday and Church ornamentations. It is the old trick of Satan. The Jewish Church struck on that rock, the Romish Church was wrecked on the same, and the Protestant Church is fast reaching the same doom.

"Our great dangers as we see them are assimilation to the world, neglect of the poor, substitution of the form for the fact of godliness, abandonment of discipline, a hireling ministry, an impure gospel, which, summed up, is a fashionable Church. That Methodists should be liable to such an outcome, and that there should be signs of it in a hundred years from the "sail-loft," seems almost the miracle of history; but who that looks about him today can fail to see the fact?"

THE METHODIST CHURCH RENT APART BY MANY DIVISIONS

Methodism proves its **PIGHEADEDNESS** in the many divisions and the many various organizations and elements fighting each other within its ranks.

And as for you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats.

And as for my flock, they eat that which we have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.

Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.—Ezekiel 34:17, 19-22.

PIGHEADEDNESS is manifested in the Methodist Church because of the selfishness, stubbornness and the jealousy on the part of the clergy and the people. Anyone who is familiar with the nature of the hog knows that it is content to eat, grunt, sleep in a life of selfishness and idleness; and anyone familiar with the conditions existing in Methodism knows that the people are satisfied to live as they did before the days of Noah.

But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.—Matthew 24:37-39.

We do not deny that some saints are still left in the Methodist Church, but we do aver that for the most part, their membership is made up of foolish virgins, who have taken their lamps, professing the Christian faith, but "took no oil with them." Their lamps are gone out and in the rapture, which soon will take place, the vast majority of the eight million of Methodists will be left behind, because they have been satisfied to live for the things of this world, and because they have refused to give heed to the exhortation given by Jesus the Christ.

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.—Matthew 24:42.

Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.—Matthew 25:13.

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.—Revelation 3:3.

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.—Revelation 16:15.

What a terrible plight it will be for millions of Methodists and members of other Church denominations to be left to go through the great tribulation.

PIGHEADEDNESS is manifested in the Methodist Church because they have failed to provide a true fold for the sheep. The Methodist organization does not in any particular represent the early Apostolic Church. It has no apostolic authority, it has no clear-cut issue, it has no message; it has lost its mission, its light has gone out, its salt has lost its savor and it is fit only for the dunghill.

Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.—Matthew 5:13.

The Methodist Church is nothing more than a worldly organization, for the purpose of sheltering lovers of pleasure, more than lovers of God; for the purpose of hearing teachers, "having itching ears and that shall turn away their ears from the truth and shall be turned unto fables;" for the purpose of shielding hypocrites, who love the riches of this world better than the treasures of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, who are following after the traditions of men rather than obeying the Word of God.

SAD PICTURE OF WORLDLINESS IN THE METHODIST CHURCH

Bishop Foster says: "Do not Methodists in violation of God's Word and their own Discipline, dress as extravagantly and as fashionably as any other class? Do not the ladies, and often the wives and daughters of the Ministry, put on "gold, pearls and costly array?" Would not the plain dress insisted upon by John Wesley, Bishop Asbury, and worn by Hester Ann Rogers, Lady Huntingdon and other equally distinguished be now regarded in Methodist circles as fanaticism? Can anyone going into a Methodist Church in any of our chief cities distinguish the attire of the communicants from that of the theater and ball-goers? Is not worldliness seen in the music? Elaborately dressed and ornamental choirs, who in many cases make no profession of religion, and are often sneering skeptics, go through a cold, artistic or operatic performance, which is as much in harmony with spiritual worship as an opera or theater. Under such worldly performances spirituality is frozen to death.

"Formerly every Methodist attended class and gave testimony of experimental religion. Now the class meeting is attended by the few, and in many Churches abandoned. Seldom the stewards, trustees and leaders of the Church attend Class. Formerly, nearly every Methodist prayed, testified or exhorted in the prayer meeting. Now, but very few are heard. Formerly shouts and praises were heard, now such demonstrations of holy enthusiasm and joy are regarded as fanaticism. Worldly socials, fairs, festivals, concerts and such like, have taken the place of the religious gatherings, revival meetings, class and prayer-meetings of early days.

"How true that the Methodist Discipline is a dead letter. Its rules forbid the wearing of gold or pearls or costly array: yet no one ever thinks of disciplining its members for violating them. They forbid the reading of such books and the taking of such diversions as do not minister to godliness, yet the Church itself gives shows and frolics, and festivals and fairs, which destroy the spiritual life of the young as well as the old. The extent to which this is now carried on is appalling. The spiritual

death that follows in its train will only be known when the millions it has swept into hell stand before the judgment.

"The early Methodist ministers went forth to sacrifice and suffer for Christ. They sought not the places of ease and affluence, but of privation and suffering. They gloried not in their big salaries, fine parsonages and refined congregations, but in the souls that had been won for Jesus. O, how changed! A hireling ministry will be a feeble, a timid, a truckling, a time-serving ministry, without faith, endurance and holy power. Methodism formerly dealt in the great central truths. Now the pulpits deal largely in generalities and in popular lectures. The glorious doctrine of entire sanctification is rarely heard and seldom witnessed to in the pulpits."

THE SAINTS IN METHODISM CALLED OF GOD TO FORSAKE HER APOSTASY

It is high time for the saints that are yet left in the Methodist Church to realize what the Word of the Apostle Paul says; recorded in II. Corinthians 5:14-18;

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God had said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you,

And will be a father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, said the Lord Almighty."

No true child of God should remain within a Church of which one of its leading representatives says that its main trouble is **PIGHEADEDNESS**.

God's people shall not live in a pig-sty, or a tobacco-sty, or a strong-drink-sty, or a drug-sty, or a theater-sty, or a secret-fraternity-sty, or any such thing, such as the Methodist Church is today, but in a true sheep fold.

When John Alex. Dowie protested against the apostasy of the Methodist Church, one of its conferences put the words on record that "the Methodist Church has nothing in common with ZION" and ZION also puts itself on record that ZION has nothing in common with Methodism.

ZION FOUNDED OF GOD AS A REFUGE FROM THE CURSE OF THE APOSTASY

ZION's God is a true, living God. ZION's God hears and answers the prayer of faith today. ZION's God works signs, wonders and miracles as of old.

ZION protests against the use of tobacco and drugs in every shape, way and manner. ZION protests against the unspeakable hog, without which the Methodist Church could not exist. How can Methodism be other than troubled with **PIGHEADEDNESS** when they devour the pig—ham and bacon and porkchops and lard?

ZION can and does exist without any of these and could not exist with them.

John Alex. Dowie, the mighty messenger of God was sent for the purpose of restoring the Church to its apostolic purity, authority and power.

The conception of the Church, set forth by John Alex. Dowie, is the same as given in the New Testament.

John Alex. Dowie realized that a true Church of God can only exist upon earth when its officers and members are in touch with Jesus the Christ and when all connection with the world, the flesh and the devil has been severed.

The Church of Jesus the Christ is not to pattern after the ways of man, but is to receive her inspiration, her truths and ideals from the divine pattern, set forth in the Scriptures.

God raised up John Alex. Dowie for the purpose of unveiling in ZION the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church as a true fold for the scattered sheep.

ZION is the only oasis found in the world-wide barren and desolate wilderness.

The reason that ZION and ZION CITY has been enabled to grow and flourish in the face of opposition and persecution on every hand is, because she has received her supply of the water of life from the heavenly reservoir.

She has closed her gates absolutely to the iniquitous prac-

tices and institutions of the world, the flesh, and the devil.

ZION's orchards and vineyards and gardens present a spectacle of unparalleled beauty and splendor.

ZION A FORETASTE OF HEAVEN UPON EARTH

ZION's homes, ZION's institutions and industries, ZION's assembly in the house of God, ZION CITY and ZION itself is a foretaste of Heaven upon earth.

Methodism today is a barren wilderness, according to their own confession, over which the wild boar is allowed to roam and devour every divine plant which is struggling for existence.

Methodism has cut off its connection with the heavenly reservoir and has opened its gates for pigs and pills, for doctors and surgeons, for tobacco and drugs, for theaters and secret orders and other things to pour in their streams of filth and uncleanness, coming through subterranean channels from the bottomless pit.

Is it any wonder that the time has arrived when John Wesley's prophecy has come true of Methodism turning into "dross and dung," in the face of these terrible conditions?

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the father is not in him.

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.—I. John 2:15-17.

Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.—James 4:4.

As God called upon Lot to escape from Sodom and Gomorrah, so He calls upon His people, still lingering in Methodism and other apostasies:—

And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.—Revelation 18:4, 5.

When God calls His people to come out, He has also provided a place for them to come in.

When the Lord shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.—Psalm 102:16.

For the Lord hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation.—Psalm 132:13.

The Lord that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.—Psalm 134:3.

And the Lord will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence.—Isaiah 4:5.

What shall one then answer to the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of his people shall trust in it.—Isaiah 14:32.

May God enable each and all of His Children, lingering in the apostasy of the Methodist and other Churches, to hear the call of God that goes forth from ZION, to sever their connection with these faithless, man-made Churches and cast in their lot with God's people in ZION and prepare for the coming of the King.

You can make your choice between **PIGHEADEDNESS** and a real Salvation; between Doctors and Drugs and the Teaching of the Word of God on Divine Healing; between Tobacco, Theaters, Card-playing and other evils, tolerated by the Methodist Church, and a life of true sanctification.

You can make your choice between false shepherds that will let you go where you please and do as you please, as do the Methodist Bishops and clergy, and true shepherds in ZION who inspire you to obedience and faithfulness to God and His Word.

You can have your choice between a dead Church and a live movement.

You can have your choice between Methodism and ZION.

The prophecy of John Wesley has become true and today "dung and dross" are to be found in Methodism.

The prophecy of God's Word, concerning the building up of ZION, has also come true and ZION has put on her beautiful garments of Salvation, Healing, and Holy Living.

There can be but one choice for any of God's saints, yet lingering within the borders of **PIGHEADED** Methodism, and that is ZION.

It is either ZION or nothing at all.

There will be only one place of refuge for God's scattered sheep in these last days, and that is ZION.

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

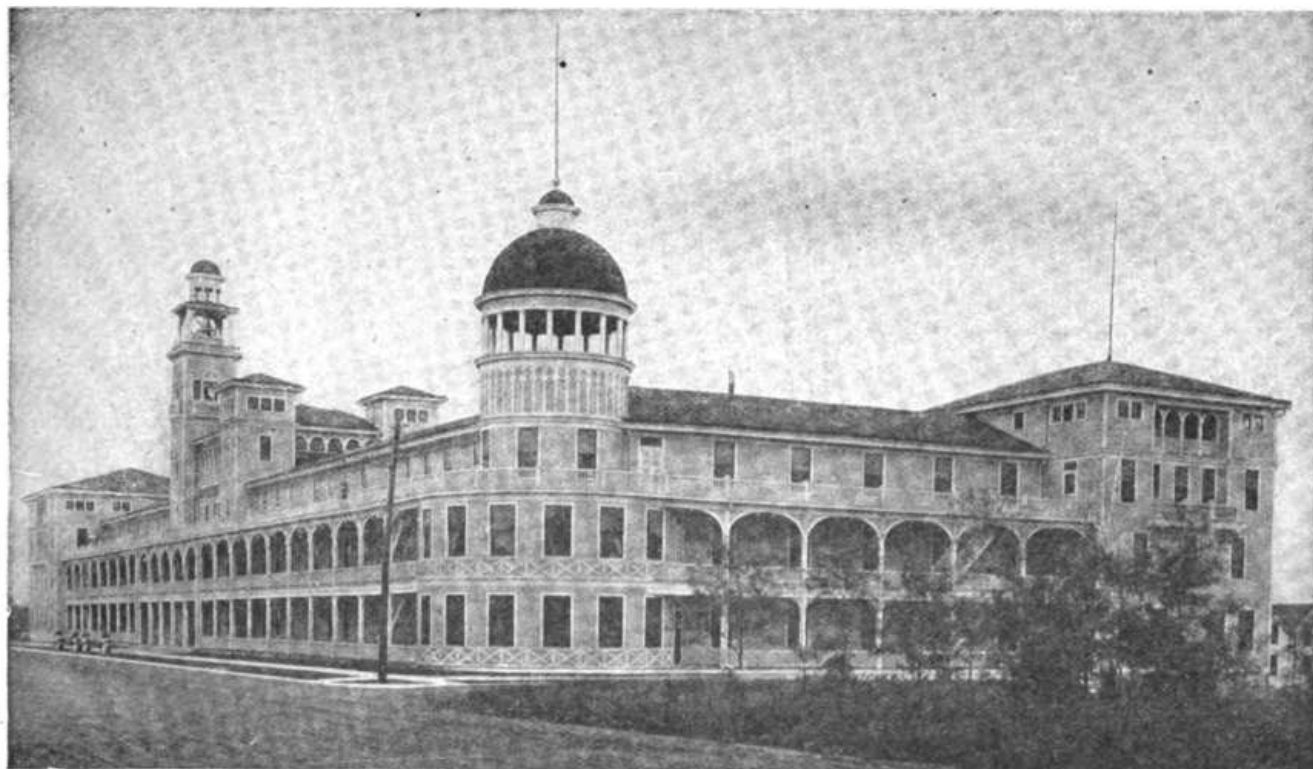
ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."
Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.**GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian-Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

Miscellaneous Musical Program.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	40 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 4	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 5	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 6	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 7	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 8	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 9	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 10	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 11	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 12	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 13	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 14	33.6 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 15	29 acres	185 per acre
Total -	839.6 acres	

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We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

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It is honorably and persistently discharging one's duty in peace or in trouble to a friend, a cause, a community, or a Kingdom, and by all lawful means assisting in its general welfare.

Are You Doing this for Zion?

There are many view points to answer this question from, but they may be summed up under four fundamental headings, viz: Ecclesiastical, Educational, Commercial, and Political.

If you are loyal in all these respects, you are doing an important work, and the whole Kingdom is better because of your influence. You will reap a rich reward.

Realizing, however, that some are not fully and loyally discharging their duty from the Commercial respect, we want to point out that true loyalty to Zion necessitates supporting Zion Institutions in everything where there is a possibility of doing so, not simply buying certain items at Zion Stores and others in some other city, or from a Mail Order House.

The Zion Institutions have made remarkable progress and are continuing to forge ahead doing an increasing amount of business, but the possibility was not caused by those who are trading elsewhere. They would have done still better if all had been loyal.

Each for All and All for Each

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He sendeth His word

and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

 I am the Lord that healeth thee.

 And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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Come thou and all thy house into the ark.

Genesis 7:1

Zion's

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Psalms 133:1

Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

To be Held, God Willing, in

Shiloh Tabernacle

Zion City,
Illinois

From the Evening of Wednesday,
July 5th, to the Evening of
Lord's Day, July 16th

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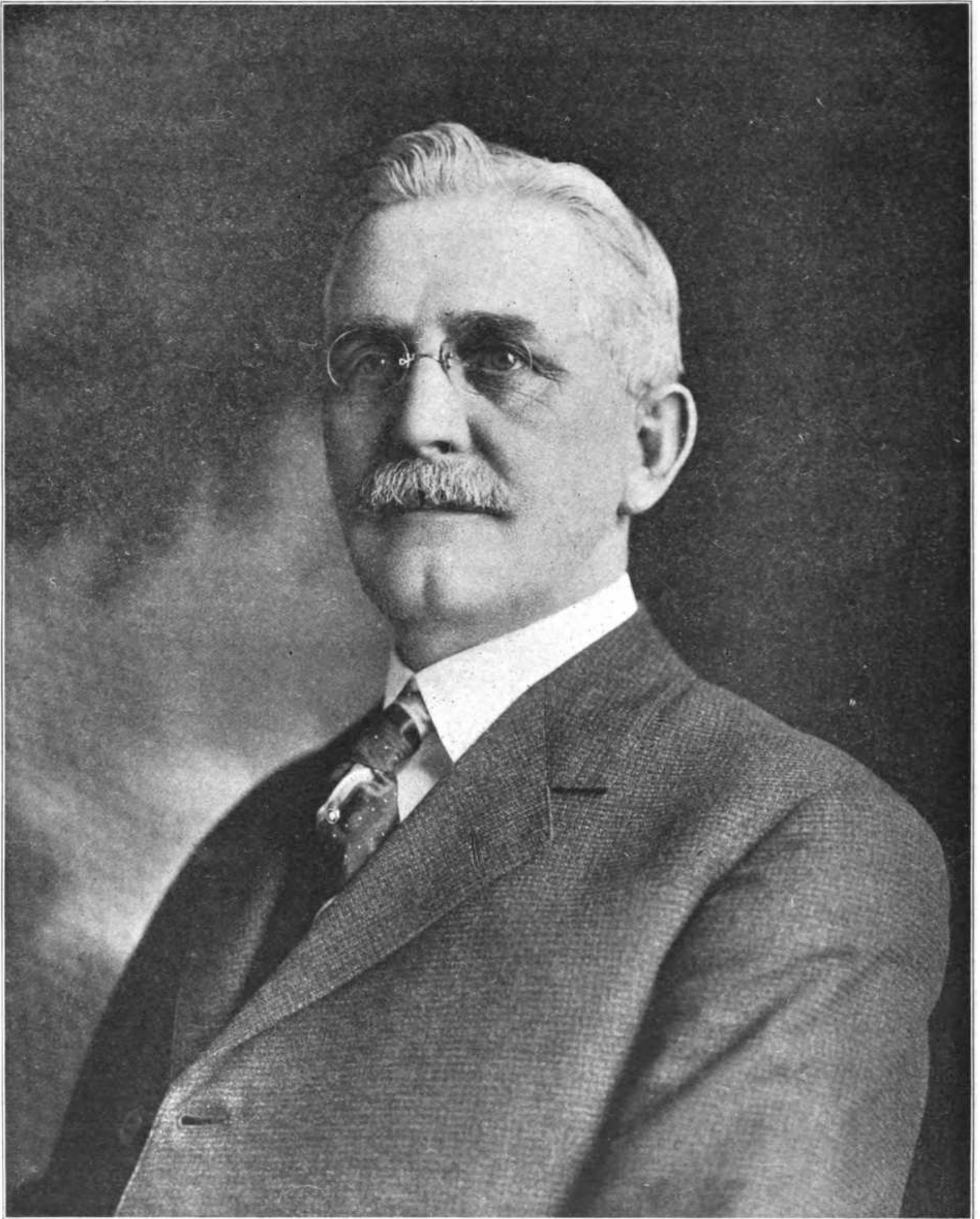
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33



Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

Philippians 4:6



DEACON WALTER HURD CLENDINEN
General Manager of Zion Estate and of Zion Institutions and Industries

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

W. Hurd Clendinen was born in Rockwood, Illinois, September 7, 1859. He studied in the public schools until sixteen years of age and then attended the Southern Illinois Normal University at Carbondale, Illinois.

In January 1879 he engaged in the mercantile business by purchasing a grocery store at DuQuoin, Illinois. After operating this business successfully for one year, he went west, in January 1880, locating at Delphos, Kansas. Here he engaged in the Hardware and Implement business.

He always took an active interest in all municipal, county and state affairs. He voted for the Prohibition Amendment of the constitution of the state in 1881. For several terms he served as Alderman, then as Mayor of Delphos, Kansas.

In 1879 he was married to Kate McCreery of DuQuoin, Illinois.

He was an active member of the Methodist Church for a number of years and it was at this time he received a copy of the LEAVES OF HEALING, published by John Alexander Dowie, which resulted in his coming into ZION.

At the time he received the LEAVES OF HEALING, he had his child, Helen, at the Allen's Surgical Institute of Indianapolis, Indiana, for treatment for spinal trouble and paralysis. The LEAVES OF HEALING was brought to him by a lady visiting in Indianapolis, and after reading it carefully, he and his wife decided to take the child to ZION in Chicago, which they did April 18, 1896. After remaining there for some time, receiving the teaching, the child was healed: (see LEAVES OF HEALING Vol. 3, No. 8) and the family returned to Kansas.

When John Alexander Dowie purchased ZION CITY site, they were deeply interested in it. Mr. Clendinen determined to dispose of his extensive business interests in Delphos in order to have a part in establishing the first ZION CITY. God prospered him in the determination, and in March 1901 he sold all his interests.

He was called by John Alexander Dowie to be ordained to the Diaconate in 1901. In response to this call, he came to Chicago in May 1901 and was duly ordained. In June 1901, prior to the opening of the gates of the city in July, he moved to ZION CITY permanently.

A few days before this he had been appointed by John Alexander Dowie as manager of the Hardware Department of ZION CITY General Stores. He took charge of this department June 28, 1901 and continued until September 1902, when he was appointed Manager of the ZION CITY General Stores. He continued in this position, passing through the varied incidents of organization and building of ZION CITY until 1908, when the ZION Stores were organized by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, at which time he was made General Manager of ZION Institutions and Industries, and when the ZION Estate was purchased, his duties were extended to include the entire supervision of ZION's commercial affairs as General Manager.

He was elected as Mayor of ZION CITY early in its history and has been re-elected a number of times, and is filling the office at present. He has also served as Alderman and is filling his third term as President of the school board.

WEDDING

VOLIVA—EMANUELSON

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, Editor and Publisher of LEAVES OF HEALING, and Miss Ida R. Emanuelson, a teacher in the ZION CITY High School, were united in marriage Thursday evening, May 18, 1916, at eight o'clock.

The wedding took place in the Main Parlor of ZION Home, and the ceremony was performed by Apostle William S. Peckham, assisted by Apostle Eustace L. Carey and Apostle Anton Darms.

There was present, beside the relatives, a representative gathering of one hundred and thirty persons, representing the four departments—Ecclesiastical, Educational, Commercial, and Political—of ZION.

ZION SCHOOLS

We are now engaged in perfecting plans for organizing ZION Schools, to begin in September, 1916.

Our plans, so far as they have been worked out, are as follows:

FIRST: To organize the Kindergarten.

SECOND: To organize a school to take the place of what is known as the Grade School, embracing the eight grades.

THIRD: To organize ZION Preparatory College, with courses of study to cover four years.

In these schools the Bible will be made the main text-book. While we expect to teach Arithmetic, Grammar, Algebra, Latin, German, and various other branches commonly taught in schools, yet we propose to emphasize the position, and carry it out, that it is of far more importance for the boys and girls in ZION to know the Bible, than to know grammar, rhetoric, algebra, or any other similar study.

We propose to teach the boys and girls ZION literature—ZION in prophecy; the unveiling of ZION: her principles, truths, ideas, and ideals.

We do not propose to train boys and girls physically and mentally, and utterly neglect them spiritually. To train them physically and mentally is simply to make educated animals out of them. We propose to teach them how to pray, how to live, and to let them know that the one great aim is the formation and development of Christian character.

This proposed step should awaken a great interest in the heart of every ZION man and woman, and should enlist their prayers and financial support to the utmost extent.

In next week's issue of LEAVES OF HEALING ZION Schools will occupy a considerable space. In the meantime let all earnestly pray that God will give great wisdom and guide, by His Word and Holy Spirit, in this one of the most important departments of ZION's work.

A Personal Letter To You

I. THE ZION ESTATE

In this letter we are not talking to ZION as a body, but to each member — and that means YOU.

God's message, through ZION, reached you.

God saved you!

God healed you!

God has kept and blessed you!

He has been calling and is still calling you to be ONE of many to help build ZION CITY.

No sooner had Jesus the Christ been born in Bethlehem than Satan, through Herod, sought to destroy His life, and thus defeat God's plans and purposes. He next sought to destroy Him in three great temptations. At last he crucified Him, and locked Him within the tomb. But Jesus triumphed over Satan, and came forth a Mighty Conqueror.

He is today our Great Leader, and calls upon us to follow Him and to be faithful in all things unto the end.

On the morning of January 1, 1900, the announcement was made in Central ZION Tabernacle, Chicago, that the first ZION CITY Site had been purchased. This announcement caused a great wave of rejoicing to sweep over ZION throughout the world, and it caused a feeling of terror to strike the devil and his hosts.

Just as he tried to destroy the Infant Christ and thus defeat the plans and purposes of God, so he tried to destroy ZION CITY, even before it was started, in order to defeat the plans and purposes of God.

He was utterly defeated, but again and again he has tried to destroy God's work in ZION; and in 1911 it became necessary for us, with unwavering faith in God and in ZION people to make a great move for the establishment of ZION CITY.

We went into the City of Chicago, and, to the great surprise and consternation of our enemies, we arranged for \$950,000 with which to purchase the ZION Estate. By so doing, we began the gigantic task of saving ZION CITY for the purpose for which it was founded—the Headquarters of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and a home for God's children in ZION.

We agreed to pay back this \$950,000, together with 5% interest, during a period of eight years, the last payment to mature March 1, 1919.

We at once placed the proposition, through LEAVES OF HEALING, before all of the ZION people — before YOU.

Five years and almost two months have elapsed since this step was taken.

Some have responded nobly.

Many have responded to a limited extent.

Some have not responded at all.

What about you?

God saved you through ZION!

God healed you through ZION!

God has kept and blessed you through ZION!

What have you done for the establishment of His work in ZION?

We have told ZION people, from the beginning, that the establishment of God's work in ZION and the building of ZION CITY demanded nothing more or less than every life

and every dollar in ZION upon God's altar, to be used, in one way and another, for the establishment, maintenance, and extension of His work.

During the past five years, we have paid on the ZION ESTATE, in principal and interest, more than \$600,000.

In order to make it easier to handle the entire situation, we have recently made a new financial arrangement, so that much smaller payments each year are to be made; and a considerable portion of the remaining indebtedness has been extended to 1920, 1921, 1922, and 1923.

Nevertheless, there are payments and interest to be met on the 1st of September and the 1st of March of each year — 1916, 1917, 1918, and 1919.

You should not only know this, but should be thoroughly wide-awake to the fact and take your part in helping to make the preparation to meet these payments.

A statement just handed to me by the General Manager shows between Three and Four Hundred Thousand Dollars' worth of outside real estate, belonging to ZION people, listed with us for sale.

This property must be sold.

True consecration to God, earnest prayer, hearty co-operation with us, and faithful work on the part of all will sell this property and bring the proceeds to help build ZION CITY.

It is simply unthinkable that there are not enough consecrated people of God to build one ZION CITY.

The world has its hundreds of cities steeped in vice. Shall not God have one city where the ideals are the highest, and where a body of people is being trained to welcome Jesus the Christ as Lord and King?

God is calling you to act *today*, and not tomorrow — you have no promise of tomorrow.

Let there at once be a concerted move on the part of all ZION!

Let us move forward, as one individual, to complete the work which God has given us to do.

The advantages of living in and around ZION CITY are many — advantages which cannot be had elsewhere.

We are planning to organize ZION Schools — the Kindergarten, the Grade Schools, and ZION Preparatory College. These schools will be unlike any other schools in the world. The Bible will be the principal Text-book. Every day's work will be begun with the reading of God's Word and earnest prayer.

The proper development of every child, spiritually, psychically, and physically, will be the aim.

We will teach them how to pray.

God, through us, will develop them into strong Christian characters.

The ZION ESTATE has farms, city lots, and residential properties for sale to ZION people, and with the proceeds from the sale of these properties the indebtedness of the ZION ESTATE will be paid.

Hundreds of acres in splendid farms are now being offered to ZION people at from \$85 up to \$225 per acre.

Remember that ZION CITY is located midway between Chicago and Milwaukee, and that it is one of the finest locations in the world.

ZION people who long for the spiritual, educational and other advantages of ZION CITY should purchase these farms within the next few weeks.

It ought not to be necessary to mention the matter twice.

The Feast of Tabernacles will begin, God willing, on the night of July 5th, and will continue until Lord's Day, July 16th.

You cannot afford to miss these meetings. There will be a glorious feast of spiritual things for every one who comes in the true spirit, earnestly seeking God.

Beginning next week, Special Meetings will be held, for the one great purpose of getting ZION perfectly organized, so that you—every officer, every member, every friend—will be praying, morning, noon, and night, for the building of ZION CITY, and will begin at once to plan, to work, and to take an active part in this work, which means so much to the world.

This letter is addressed to you, my brother!

This letter is addressed to you, my sister!

This letter is addressed to you, beloved officer in ZION!

This letter is addressed to you, beloved member in ZION!

This letter is addressed to you, beloved friend of ZION!

God is calling you to help in this great work!

A few hundred thousand dollars should be as nothing, and will be, when the officers, members, and friends of ZION are thoroughly awakened and each and every one goes to work, with an eye single to God's glory, to fulfil the one great purpose of building a city to His honor and glory.

We expect to pray and work as never before, if possible.

II. ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES

ZION CITY is impossible without institutions and industries.

Already splendid Institutions and Industries have been organized. A considerable volume of business is being done, and hundreds of persons employed.

We ask you to come to the Feast of Tabernacles, and to visit these Institutions and Industries and see them for yourselves.

These Institutions and Industries—the principal ones being ZION Stores, ZION Printing and Publishing House, ZION Baking Industry, ZION Apron and Handkerchief Factory, and ZION Office Supply—need, and must have, \$50,000 additional working capital, in order to take care of the daily increasing volume of business.

You have the money. We are prepared to pay you 6% interest per annum.

We can use the money, make the interest, employ people, and build up ZION CITY.

ZION people to a person should, without a day's delay, go to work and gather together every available dollar, and get it invested in these Institutions and Industries, where it will be working for God and for the extension of His KINGDOM.

During the past six months, these Institutions have had the best record in their history, and the best record in the history of ZION CITY. We have plenty of business, but we must have more working capital, or else limit the volume of business.

Read this prayerfully, take it to heart, and, without delay, let one and all come forward to help in this great work, which means so much to ZION people in ZION CITY, and to ZION people in many parts of the world who are planning to come to ZION CITY.

ZION's battles have been many and great, but her victories have been just as many and great.

ZION is going forward; and, with a faithful people, in a very few years ZION CITY will be completely redeemed, and will be far better than it ever was in its best days.

With gratitude to God for what He has wrought, and with sincere thanks to and heartfelt appreciation of all the faithful in ZION, and praying God's richest blessings upon you, I am Faithfully in Jesus' Name,




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ETERNAL LIFE, KNOWING GOD AND HIS SON JESUS THE CHRIST

Report of the Easter Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, April 23, 1916, Address by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

PROCESSIONAL BY ZION WHITE-ROBED CHOIR: "CHRIST IS RISEN, CHRIST IS RISEN!"

Christ is risen, Christ is risen!
He hath burst His bonds in twain;
Christ is risen, Christ is risen!
Alleluia! swell the strain.
For our gain He suffered loss
By Divine decree;
He hath died upon the cross,
But our God is He.

CHO.—

Christ is risen, Christ is risen!
He hath burst His bonds in twain;
Christ is risen, Christ is risen!
Alleluia! swell the strain.

See, the chains of death are broken;
Earth below and heav'n above,
Joy in each amazing token
Of His rising, Lord of love;
He for ever more shall reign
By the Father's side,
Till He comes to earth again,
Comes to claim His bride.

Glorious angels downward thronging
Hail the Lord of all the skies;
Heav'n with joy and holy longing
For the Word incarnate, cries,
Christ is risen! Earth, rejoice,
Gleam, ye starry train;
All creation, find a voice;
He o'er all shall reign.

INVOCATION by Apostle Carey:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations.
For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

APOSTLE CAREY: Let us sing hymn No. 619 — "CROWN HIM, CROWN HIM!"

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious;
See the "Man of sorrows" now;
From the fight returned victorious,
Every knee to Him shall bow.

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Crown Him, crown Him, angels crown Him,
Crown the Saviour "King of kings."

Crown the Saviour, angels, crown Him;
Rich the trophies Jesus brings;
In the seat of power enthrone Him,
While the vault of heaven rings.

Sinners in derision crowned Him,
Mocking thus the Saviour's claim;
Saints and angels crowd around Him,
Own His title, praise His Name.

Hark! the bursts of acclamation!
Hark! these loud triumphant chords;
Jesus takes the highest station.
Oh, what joy the sight affords.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

APOSTLE DARMS: I will read from the Inspired Word of God, the 16th Psalm.

Preserve me, O God: for in Thee do I put my trust.

O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord, Thou art my Lord:
my goodness extendeth not to Thee;

But to the saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent, in whom is all my delight.

Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.

The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.

The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless the Lord, Who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

I have set the Lord always before me: because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption.

Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fullness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

May God add His blessing to the reading of His Word!

The Senior Choir rendered the selection, "GO, TELL HIS DISCIPLES," by *Simper*.

APOSTLE CAREY: I will read a second selection of Scripture—the 15th chapter of the First Epistle of Paul to the Corinthians, beginning at the 35th verse:

But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:

And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain:

But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased Him, and to every seed His own body.

All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.

There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.

So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:

It is sown in dishonour; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

May God bless His Word to us all!

A Sextette from the Zion White-robed Choir then sang the selection, entitled, "ANGELS ROLL THE STONE AWAY," by *Schnecker*, after which Elder Taylor offered

PRAYER

Almighty and Everlasting God, our Father Who art in Heaven, we praise Thee today for the sweet songs of Zion. We praise Thee for the anthem which has just been sung. We praise Thee, our Father, for the Orchestra with their stringed instruments. We praise Thee for Zion Band. We praise Thee for Zion White-robed Choir, and for the processional and the recessional; we thank Thee for their chants and their anthems—for the full chorus that swells up over the heads of this vast congregation this afternoon and sinks down into their hearts.

We thank Thee, O God, for the officers in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and we thank Thee for every member.

Now, Father, we ask Thee in the Christ's Name that every heart may be lifted to Thee this afternoon in gratitude and in thanksgiving, and help us, O God, so to live in this life that we may be ready to meet the Lord in the air and may comprise a part of that company who shall sing His praises continually.

Help us, our Heavenly Father, that we may so live while here in the flesh that we may be among the number who will cast their crowns at His feet, saying, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come! Honor and glory and majesty and power be unto His Great and Holy Name!"

O God, we thank Thee this afternoon for the privilege of meeting on this occasion. We thank Thee for this beautiful Easter Day, and as we look upon this scene, and as we behold these flowers with their sweet perfume, and the palms, we cannot but be reminded of that time, centuries ago, when the Christ, after having been crucified and after having laid in the tomb for those three days, came forth by the power of God.

We thank Thee that Satan could not keep the Son of Man confined in the tomb a moment longer than He declared He would be there; but at the end of the third day, as He had said, He arose from the grave.

We thank Thee that we know that He appeared to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had cast seven devils; and then to the ten Apostles, and then to the eleven, and then to the seven; and afterward He was seen of above five hundred brethren at once.

O God, we thank Thee this afternoon for the resurrection of Him Who is the "firstfruits of them that slept;" and because Jesus lives we shall live also.

We thank Thee, O God, that it is prophesied in Thy Word that a day is coming when all who are in their graves shall hear Thy voice and shall come forth. O God, hasten the day when the dead in Christ, who are to rise first, shall make their appearance upon this earth and shall meet their Lord in the air. We thank Thee that it is written, "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power."

We ask Thy blessings upon Thy servant, the General Overseer of this Church, that Thou wilt inspire him with wisdom today, and fill him with Thy Spirit. We pray Thee that the words which he speaks this afternoon may be as apples of gold in pictures of silver, bringing many to repentance and turning men to the Lamb of God, Who taketh away the sins of the world.

Now, Father, let Thy blessing rest upon the sick and upon the afflicted. We pray for those who have been hindered from coming to this service, that Thou wilt be with them wherever they are.

Our Father, we pray Thee that this work may grow, that it may prosper, until the knowledge of Jehovah shall cover the land as the waters cover the sea.

Now, bless us as we further wait before Thee. Bless every officer and member of this church; may they be men and women filled with the Spirit of Jehovah, going forth into the harvest field that is before them, may they come again bringing their sheaves with them.

Hear us, our Father, in this prayer, we ask it in the Name of Jesus and for His sake, Who while He was here upon the earth in the flesh taught us to pray, saying: (The Choir and congregation then joined in chanting the Lord's Prayer.)

The Senior Choir rendered the selection, "KING OF KINGS," by *Simper*, after which Apostle Carey made the usual Announcements for the week.

While the Tithes and Free-Will Offerings were being received, Dr. Wilson played an Offertory on the Pipe Organ, which was followed by a selection by the Senior Choir, entitled, "HALLELUJAH," by *Beethoven*.

INVOCATION by the General Overseer:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and, in the Name of Jesus the Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, be sanctified unto the good of all present and of all who shall read these words in "Leaves of Healing." O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: In the Gospel according to St. Luke, in the 17th chapter, beginning with the 1st verse:

These words spake Jesus, and lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify Thy Son, that Thy Son also may glorify Thee:

As Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as Thou hast given Him.

And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only True God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent.

I will read this 3rd verse again:

"AND THIS IS LIFE ETERNAL, THAT THEY MIGHT KNOW THEE THE ONLY TRUE GOD, AND JESUS CHRIST, WHOM THOU HAST SENT."

It gives me great joy to stand once more upon this platform, and I am happy to greet you and to welcome you to this service on this Easter Lord's Day.

As the introductory parts of this service have proceeded, I have not only looked into the Face of my God and your God, but into *your* faces—into the Face of God, earnestly praying that He would inspire every thought and every word that shall constitute my address; into your faces, that I might discern just how much interest you have in the glorious and well authenticated truth of the resurrection of Jesus the Christ.

This is one of the saddest Easter Lord's Days this world has ever seen. The first one was a very sad one, but in a different sense from what this is a very sad one.

The Frailties of Humanity Seen in the Conduct of the Apostles

The conduct of the Apostles and the disciples of Jesus the Christ after His apprehension in the Garden, at first would seem to call forth words of severe condemnation; but as one comes to know more of humanity, the more one is inclined to look in pity upon the Apostles and the disciples, concluding that, after all, they were simply men and women like ourselves.

It has always been true of men. The history of Israel affords many striking examples of the weaknesses and frailties of humanity. The conduct of the early disciples in the 6th of John, and the conduct of the Apostle Peter and the Apostle Judas Iscariot, and the fact that they *all* forsook Him—these things show the weaknesses of humanity; and we can understand something of the force of the meaning of the statement of Jesus the Christ in the 15th chapter of John, "Without Me ye can do nothing."

Today, war clouds well nigh cover the earth, and the world is indeed in a sad condition. Unrest is everywhere, and we are rapidly approaching the time to which Jesus referred when He asked the question, "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"—Luke 18:8.

Believers in God are very few. The truths received and believed by our ancestors, are believed by very few today.

There are two kinds of infidelity—theoretical and practical. Theoretical Infidelity says, "I do not believe there is any God;" and its advocates, having said so much, pride themselves on their honesty and their truthfulness. Practical Infidelity says, "I believe there is a God," and then lives as if there were no God. The first class you find outside the professed body of believers, and the second class you find inside the professed body of believers.

This is the time, of all times, to reiterate and emphasize the eternal verities; for almost every truth has been denied. Should the Lord tarry, in a few years more it will be the universal practice to mock and to sneer and to laugh at the man who believes in God; who believes in Jesus the Christ, God manifest in the flesh; who believes that the Bible is the Inspired Word of God, and proclaims the absolute necessity of all men being "*born again*."

These are the days when men tell us that civilization has reached its highest degree of development. These are the days when men boast of their colleges and universities, and of their superior intellectual attainments. These are the days plainly pictured in the Word of God; and woe unto that man who fails to read and to study the Bible so as to recognize the time in which we are living.

On Easter Lord's Day addresses are expected dealing with the subject of the Resurrection. It is taken as the subject of many addresses which are a stench in the nostrils of God Almighty.

This day is made the occasion for the outbursts of what is

called oratory, and the subject of the Resurrection is made the heading of many scholarly essays. And when the meetings are over, intellectual animals are heard to remark, "Very fine address we had this morning—very fine! That was very learned. We have a very eloquent preacher. His were some of the finest flights of oratory to which I have ever listened!"—and the multitudes rushing on to hell.

This afternoon, unless I can say something that will get down into your hearts and spirits, I had better dismiss this service and retire.

Therefore, I thank God for this one more privilege of stating and emphasizing the old truths, and of leaving with you, among the last things I shall say, the burning truth, that "Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot see THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

The Difference Between Eternal and Everlasting Life.

In the 3rd verse of this 17th chapter of John, often called "The Supreme Prayer of Jesus the Christ," we have the definition of eternal life.

In order to set you to thinking, let me emphasize to you that there is a difference between *eternal life* and *everlasting life*. Everlasting life is not eternal life. Eternal life is everlasting life—and it is something more as well. Everlasting life is continued existence: but eternal life is continued existence and something more—knowing God and Jesus Christ Whom God sent.

And this is LIFE ETERNAL, that they might know Thee the Only True God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent.

Eternal Life is a Matter of Knowledge.

You can have everlasting life in hell, but you can have eternal life only in heaven. You can have everlasting life and not know God or Jesus the Christ, but you can have eternal life only by knowing God, and Jesus the Christ Whom He hath sent.

I have no desire, no inclination, as a minister of the Gospel, to spend an hour presenting proofs that Jesus rose from the dead.

I hold in my hand the Bible, which means "the Books." I accept it, and I know it is the Inspired Word of God. I know that the original Scriptures were inspired, not only in thought, but in word—the Bible is made up of God's thoughts, expressed in God's words; and it is my business to preach it, leaving the results with God.

It needs no defense; it has stood the test, and it will continue to stand the test.

In the schools and colleges and universities, which are hotbeds of infidelity and which have done more to undermine and destroy the faith of the people than any other institutions, they are continually studying effects; and they are leading the young people along in darkness, as to what was the cause of this and the cause of that.

I read a statement this forenoon by one of these learned gentlemen: "It will not be long until the telescopes will prove there are five hundred million blazing suns, instead of twenty million, as we have hitherto been told."

I read the statement of a learned man concerning a pearl that has been found.—the papers had articles about it yesterday—where he says that the oyster from which it was taken lived more than one-half million years ago, and that consequently a little of the luster has faded away.

Eternal Life Beyond the Conception of Finite Mind

This afternoon, in looking for the first great CAUSE, I take you to the first verse of the first chapter of Genesis, "In the beginning God;" and that settles the question.

God, Self-existent; God, Self-conscious; God, Self-determined; God, All-knowing, All-powerful, in Three Persons—as is shown by the language used when the time came for man to be created: "Let US make man in OUR image, after OUR likeness."

With God all is *Eternity*. Let us, once and forever, disabuse our minds of the foolish notion that there is any such a thing as *time* with God.

Eternity has neither beginning nor ending; beyond the comprehension of the finite mind, I admit, but true, nevertheless.

We are told that, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth," and the various steps of creation are traced, until at last God said, "Let us make man."

Our interest in the resurrection of Jesus the Christ from the

dead has to do with our interest in the question: If a man die shall he live again? And the resurrection of Jesus the Christ is the pledge, the security, that those who fall asleep in Jesus will Christ bring with Him when He comes again.

The expression "In the beginning" applies to a point in Eternity. John, the Apostle, in the first chapter of his Gospel, says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

Long before the point designated as "In the beginning,"—which was the beginning of time, and refers only to man; not to God—God's purposes and God's plans were all arranged, and they have been and are being carried out to the minutest detail. Jesus said, in speaking of the law, "One jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled."

God Created Man in His Own Image:

We are told by fools that man evolved from the monkey, and this is taught in the schools to thousands and tens of thousands of young people.

Now, I am willing to confess — and I have to pray very earnestly—that if I were to judge by the way multitudes of people conduct themselves, the way they act, instead of believing in *evolution*, I would be forced to believe in *devolution*—that is, that men and women, because of their shameful conduct, have not ascended from the monkey, but have descended lower than monkeys. That only shows what sin can do.

However, I do not care how low a man is, beneath the rubbish there is the spark of Divinity, there is that part of God; and all that is required to make it shine forth in all its pristine beauty, is for the blood of the Son of God to be applied.

God created man, and He created him in His Own Image: He created him a free moral agent. He knew, before He created him, the end from the beginning. He had determined, in the eternal councils, that one of the Persons in the Godhead, in fulfillment of prophecies to be made and of ceremonies and types and shadows to be given, should be born of a woman, and should live, love, suffer, and die, and should be raised from the dead and become the Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper of all mankind.

Now, why ask the silly question, "Who made the devil?"

You might just as well ask me, if there is a man sitting back there who got drunk last night and slept in the gutter like a hog, "Who made him a drunkard?" And you might just as well accuse God of having made him a drunkard, as to accuse God of having made the devil.

When God created men free moral agents, He did it in His infinite wisdom; He did it because it was the best, the proper, the only thing to do. You and I can readily see that, without free moral agency, there could be neither vice nor virtue; and a man, if he were not a free moral agent, would have no more responsibility, no more accountability, than that chair.

He who is the devil today, was created an angel—a free moral agent, and he was an angel of a very high order. He fell through pride, and he led a rebellion against God. As Milton says, "He chose rather to reign in hell, than to serve in Heaven."

I have seen some men who have said, "We will follow no leader." They would rather be what they consider a big toad-frog in a little mud-hole, than a little frog in a big mud-hole. Consequently they amount to nothing, and you never hear of them afterwards.

Sin has Marred and Debased the Image of God in Man

Adam was created a free moral agent; so were you.

We all have the power of choice. I can walk off this platform now and go to my home; I can go over there and sit down on those steps; if you hand to me an apple and a pear, I can reject the apple and take the pear; I can go home tonight and take my Bible and read the Ten Commandments, or I can go out and get drunk and smoke cigarettes and so on. And I think there are a few here, from the looks of their faces who have chosen to go out and drink whisky and smoke cigarettes.

You know, Sin is the greatest sculptor on this earth. Talk about going down to Chicago to look at statuary, I do not have to go there—all I have to do is to ride on the trains and in the street cars or walk down State Street, Chicago, and I can see more statuary in an hour than you could see in all the cities of the world in six months.

I will tell you another thing. Sin is a true sculptor. On a drunkard he carves out a red nose, blood-shot eyes, sunken

cheeks; and a cigarette fiend he carves out as yellow as saffron.

Sin is a great sculptor!

Adam was a free moral agent; he had the power of choice, and he was subject to influences. He yielded, and sin entered into the world.

Now, if you want to understand, do not say, "I love to read the New Testament, but I do not like the Old." You cannot understand the New without the Old, nor the Old without the New.

The first chapter of Genesis is just as important as the last chapter of Revelation—"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth;" and the last cry is, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

On this Easter Day, my hearers, unless you want to land in hell, cease listening to the numerous voices of the world, and listen to the voice of God. That is your only hope.

Why, in the pulpits of America today, if a man had all the Easter addresses that will be delivered, they would constitute a veritable checkerboard, only not half so intelligible.

There will be addresses delivered today which will deny the Immaculate Conception of Jesus, which will repudiate the virgin birth, and—like the Unitarians and old Russell and the Christian Scientists and one hundred other hodgepodge concerns that have fallen down before the god of this world—which will deny the literal resurrection.

The Bible tells us that His body came forth from the tomb, and that He did not see corruption.

The Spirit that went out of His body and went to Paradise—and that also went to hell, where He preached to the spirits in prison—reentered His body; and that is what the resurrection is.

As is also shown in the case of Lazarus, Jesus said, "Lazarus, come forth!"—He called the spirit of Lazarus back from God, and it entered his body and the body was once more animated and full of life.

Knowing God through the Christ the Only Channel of Obtaining Eternal Life

Now, I want you to follow me a little while, as I talk to you about life and death, and I want to show you that, from the Word of God, there are just two classes in the world; that we are either on the road to hell or the road to Heaven, and that *eternal* life and *everlasting* life are not the same.

If it were possible for you to live on in this life, that would not be eternal life; it might be everlasting life, but under the most terrible conditions.

Eternal life is to KNOW GOD; it is a matter of knowledge, and not a matter of time. Everlasting life is a matter of time, but eternal life is a matter of knowledge—"And this is LIFE ETERNAL, that they might know Thee the only True God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent."

Years ago, long before I had read any books on the subject—that is, any considerable number—I gave as the definition of life, based upon the Word of God: "Life is union with God; death is separation from God."

Now, life is not to be defined, essentially and fundamentally, as a matter of consciousness; and, consequently, death cannot be defined as, essentially and fundamentally, a lack of consciousness.

Let us look back to the beginning. God created Adam and Eve. Perhaps you do not believe that. There are lots of preachers, who have attended theological "cemeteries," who do not believe it; but I believe it.

I believe God created Adam, and I believe He created Eve. I believe He created Eve just as the Bible says He did—by taking a rib out of Adam; and whether you women like it or not, it is there on the pages of Holy Writ.

Perhaps some of you are numbered among these Suffragettes, who are running wild, and saying (as some of them have said), "We propose to have a woman's Bible; the Bible we have was made and translated by men, and they have not given women their proper place."

In ZION, we as men and women, will stick to the old Book. God has given you women the high and wonderful place of being the symbol of the Church. Take the symbol, thank God for it, and preserve it by keeping in your proper place.

God never intended for wives and mothers to be trotting around running for office, leaving the neighbor women to take care of their children.

The Story of Man's Creation and Fall Reiterated

God put Adam and Eve into a beautiful garden, and surrounded them by beautiful surroundings; but God knew, in the eternal councils, what man would do—He knew that man would sin.

You will notice, in the third chapter of Genesis, in the fifteenth verse, when God is talking to Adam and Eve and to the serpent, He gives the first intimation of the Coming Deliverer, Whose resurrection we are assembled here today to observe.

In this fifteenth verse God said, in pronouncing a curse upon the animal creation, that the Seed of the woman should bruise his head, and he should bruise His heel. He there gave the first intimation of the coming Deliverer—of the Savior Who should die on Calvary to redeem mankind. And then as the years and centuries rolled by, by the schoolmaster, the Mosaic economy, and in the prophets, He even foretold the place of His birth and the conditions that would obtain in the world; and, at last, in the fullness of time, Jesus was born of a woman, born under the law, in fulfillment of prophecy.

A mighty Book is the Word of God!

Now then, Adam and Eve sinned, and God had told them, "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." Death there is plainly separation from God.

I tell you, if I can send you home with the understanding of the real meaning of, "She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth;" "To be carnally minded is death;" "The wages of sin is death"—then I shall feel that I have accomplished something that will make you remember Easter Lord's Day, 1916, as long as there is breath in your body.

There are people sitting here today who are as dead as a door nail. They think they are alive, but they are dead; they call themselves Christians, when they stand just as much chance of going to Heaven as the devil himself.

The fact of the matter is, Christians today are as scarce as hens' teeth. You could take the sixteen million Roman Catholics, the millions of Methodists, the millions of Presbyterians and Baptists, and put them all together and shake them up, and you could not find, with a fine-tooth comb, enough men and women who have been "born again," who are in true unity with God, who know God and Jesus the Christ,—you could not find enough to make a corporal's guard.

The thing that is called Christianity today is enough to make a man vomit! The thing called Christianity today is only sufficient to sweep men and women on a greased plank into the bottomless pits of hell.

Tell me you are a Christian when you do not believe the Bible?

Tell me you are a Christian when you do not believe in the virgin birth of Jesus the Christ?

Tell me you are a Christian when you do not believe in the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ?

You stupid fool! You may be wise in your own conceits, but you will get the conceit knocked out of you when you get up before the judgment bar of the Lord Jesus Christ.

"In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

The Purpose and Importance of the Trinity Seen in the Plan of Redemption

Now then, in the Godhead there are Three Persons.

Before the Plan of Redemption it was simply GOD, but when the Plan of Redemption was established and was beginning to be carried out, then it was that One of the Three Persons in the Godhead assumed the official title of "Father," and another One the official title of "Son," and another One the official title of "Holy Ghost."

Learn something this afternoon, some of you Sunday school teachers who do not know enough to teach a blind pig to go and eat oats.

Of all the ignoramuses on God Almighty's earth today, the Sunday school teachers (with the exception of the preachers) are the worst! They teach lies! They do not know the first thing about the Word of God, and they are tools of the devil.

No wonder we have the conditions we have today!

War clouds hang heavily over all the earth, which is just what the Bible predicts.

As God looks down upon this nest of vipers—infidels, unbelievers, drunkards, tobacco chewers and spewers, profane and unclean and filthy and polluted men and women; as He looks

down upon the theaters, where standing room is at a premium, and upon the churches, which are almost deserted, and where tools of the devil stand up and deny the very Lord Who bought them, and preach silly little ditties to a lot of hypocrites who go outside and admire each other's hats and clothes, with no more idea of what constitutes salvation than a new born babe—how much longer will the fire be withheld?

I ask you, ladies and gentlemen, what does the Bible mean when it says, "The wages of sin is death"?

What does the Bible mean when it says, "To be carnally minded is death"?

What does the Bible mean when it says, "She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth"?

Do you realize what it means?

Do you know that there are men sitting here this afternoon, who can see, who can hear, who can feel, who can taste, who can walk, who can eat, and who can grunt—but WHO ARE DEAD?

Yes, they are DEAD!

As they walk down the sidewalk they are dead in the sight of God, and they are on the road to hell.

When a man takes the Word of God, the free moral agency of man, the devil, sin, sickness, disease, and hell are all made perfectly plain; as is also the necessity for the Son of man to become incarnate.

Now then, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

The Father sent the Son, and the Son came of His Own accord. The Son came to reveal the *Father*—not to reveal Himself; and the Holy Ghost came to reveal the *Son*—not to reveal Himself.

God the Son became incarnate, begotten of the Holy Ghost in a sinless virgin, who was specially prepared by God to be the mother of Jesus.

He was born in Bethlehem.

The Apostles Unmindful of Christ's Promise of His Resurrection

At thirty years of age He began His ministry. At last He was crucified, dead, and buried; and the tomb was sealed, and a guard of soldiers surrounded it.

Now, even the Apostles forgot what He said. There was not one of them who did not forget what He said—not one of them!

I desire you to think of the condition!

There was not one of the Apostles or the disciples—or even the women—on the first Easter Lord's Day morning, who was looking for His resurrection—not one of them who believed it; not one of them who remembered a word He had said about it—not one!

I ask you, what was it that transformed those apostles and those women and the handful of disciples—what was it that dispelled the doubt and filled them with hope, so that they were willing to give their lives for the Christian religion?

There is only one answer — THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST FROM THE DEAD!

That is the only solution!

Now then, what about the resurrection of men and women?

The Bible teaches that *death* is SEPARATION FROM GOD; it teaches that *life* is UNION WITH GOD. ETERNAL LIFE is to *know God*!

Now then, Uncle John dies, and some people have an idea that when the pastor preaches a nice little funeral service, he wafts Uncle John right up into glory — when the fact of the matter is, Uncle John knew just as much about God as a hog knows about Egyptian hieroglyphics.

My hearers, there is no use to mince matters! Millions of people have been led to think they are Christians and that they are saved, when they do not know the first thing about salvation—not the first thing!

The rank and file of the people are living lives that are not one whit above the life of a hog.

Only Few Living the Spiritual with the Mental and Physical Life

Now and then you will find a man—but he is a rare specimen—who is sailing around in that outer zone where he is in touch with God and the music of Heaven; but the majority of people are groveling in the dust, and the only life they are living is the animal life.

There are others, the only life they are living is the phy-

sical and the mental. In this class we find the great psychologists and astronomers and geologists and botanists and all these learned fellows who wear number thirteen hats and number four shoes—great fellows, you know.

I was out walking with one of them one day, and he stooped down and picked up a little rock. He said, "Mr. Voliva, there is no doubt in my mind but that this was brought down in the Paleozoic Age."

I thought to myself, "You stupid fool! That thing is probably not more than a few days old. It rained here last week, and the water ran down a crevice, washed some sand together, and made it. That is all there is to it!"

What does the Bible say?—"The wisdom of this world is"—what?

(People: "Foolishness with God.")

I tell you, if you do not know God and Jesus the Christ, you have no life—you are DEAD!

That is what the Bible says!

It is because you sinned that Jesus the Christ had to come to this earth, and without Him there is no salvation. The blood of Christ will save you.

I thank God that He was born in Bethlehem; that He lived among men a perfect life, that He died on Calvary; and, still more, that He burst the power of death and hell and came forth a Mighty Conqueror.

He is our Pilot!

Follow Him, and He will take you to Heaven.

Now, my beloved hearers, what are you anyway?

The Bible says you are spirit, soul, and body. As you sit here this afternoon, that is what you are—spirit, soul, and body. You have an immortal spirit, and a soul, and a body.

In First Thessalonians 5:22, 23, we read:

Abstain from all appearance of evil.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole SPIRIT and SOUL and BODY be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

And again, in Hebrews 4:12—

For the Word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

If you never heard and never knew that before, put it down, and the next time your preacher talks about the immortality of the soul, just tell him there is no such a thing as the immortality of the soul.

The soul is mortal, and so is the body; but the spirit is immortal.

And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.—Genesis 2:7.

God is the Father of a Man's Spirit; the Maker of his Soul and Body

You have heard your learned divines, with their beautiful manuscripts fresh from the throne of grace, talk about the "immortality of the soul."

The spirit is immortal, but the soul and the body are mortal.

This body is the house, the temple, in which the spirit lives; it is the substratum—the scaffolding.

The trouble with the rank and file of people, they make the body everything, and they live the animal life.

I will guarantee there are people here now, who are thinking more about supper and pork and beans than about God Almighty and the Resurrection; and I do not expect to do them any good, and I am not going to bother my head in the least.

Now then, every one of you has sinned—every one of you! That is the reason why Jesus had to come and be born; why he had to be crucified. He was crucified because of your sins and of my sins.

Some people say, "I wish to goodness Adam had behaved himself."

Well, if he had, is there any guarantee that you would have behaved yourself? Why, you have had the same chance, precisely, except for hereditary weakness. You are a free moral agent.

No doubt some of you have been swilling "rot-gut," smoking and chewing tobacco, eating pig and oysters, and reading

Sunday newspapers. You look like a hog, and you live like one!

However, you are all free moral agents, and you act as you do because you choose to do it. That is all there is to it!

Jesus died for you. Your sins put Him in the grave, and you helped to handle the hammer that drove the spikes into His hands and feet.

Man Must Realize his Utter Helplessness and Sinfulness

You have all sinned, every last one of you, and come short of the glory of God; and Christ's incarnation, His humiliation, His sacrifice, His death, His resurrection, and His ascension are all a part of the Plan of Redemption to keep you out of hell. But the rank and file are going there just the same.

Why, what good does preaching do?

Very few people ever go to hear any preaching any more; and most of those who do go are little smart-Alecks, bobbing the little thimble around that they call their head—oh, they are so smart, you know; and they do not know anything.

Let me tell you, the trumpet from Shiloh Tabernacle platform does not give any uncertain sound.

In the first place, the people are corrupt and in sin and away from God; and the question is, what is to be done?

We are here to commemorate the Resurrection.

Many essays will be delivered today, and they will start out, "The life of Jesus the Christ must ever remain the most beautiful, the most sublime, and the most wonderful study for man."

The people will go out and say, "Wasn't that beautiful!"—and the men will light their pipes, and go right on with their smoking and drinking.

Beautiful essays and orations!

Why, sure! But what do they amount to?

Go home this evening and remember you are a sinner in the sight of God; remember that Christ rose from the dead, as a part of the Plan of Redemption.

However, that is no sign that you will get to Heaven, my brother; for you may be dying of thirst right now, and I may have a gallon of the finest spring water that ever came from beneath the hills, but if you refuse to drink it, your lips will swell and crack open, and you will die of thirst right there in your seat.

And so today, even though Jesus did rise from the dead and come forth from the tomb, and even though He did ascend to His Father and now sits at His right hand, unless you RECEIVE the Son of God and SURRENDER to Him, you will go to hell!

Now, I can hear some people saying, "That is unpleasant preaching. I went to meeting this morning and never heard the word 'devil' once. Our preacher does not use it; he says the 'evil one.' That sounds so much nicer. He never uses the word 'hell,' either; he does not believe in it. There isn't any such a place. God is too Good to send anybody to hell."

Well, is He?

Is He?

Not much!

Now then, how much do you know about God? How much do you know about the power of Christ's resurrection?

Why, I will guarantee that some of you know more about the best brand of tobacco to smoke than about God; you know more about the different breeds of hogs than about God; you know more about stocks and bonds than about God.

Death but a Continuation of Man's Spiritual Condition

My brothers and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ, here I stand this afternoon, and we will say that over here is a little line. Across this line is the other world, and here is this one. If I were to pass away this minute and step across this line, I would be identically the same over there that I was here.

Some people have an idea that a man can live a life of sin and serve the devil all his life, and that when he is about seventy years old, and thinks he is going to die, he can repent, and that is sufficient to take him to Heaven and procure for him eternal life.

No such thing!

No such thing!

Eternal life is to KNOW God!

Why, some of you people, if I were to take you up to

Heaven this afternoon and say, "Mrs. Brown, this is the Apostle Paul," you would say, "Who is he?" But if I were to mention the ten-spot of spades, you would say, "Glory! I was a good player down there."

That is all you know!

It reminds me of the time James J. Blaine was crossing Indiana. A man said to his neighbor, "Aren't you going down to see Blaine go through?"

He said, "Who's Blaine?"

He did not know whether he was a township constable or who he was.

And so it is with many of you, you do not know Paul, or Peter, or Mary, or John; and you do not know anything about God or the Lord Jesus Christ.

Some who have listened to the music this afternoon have understood it and have been alive to it; but there are others here who would rather hear a piece on a Jew's harp. It all depends upon how you were brought up.

I tell you, Elder Huston's story is a pretty good one. A gentleman walked up to a little boy and asked him where his father was. The boy said, "He is down there in that pen of hogs—he is the one with the hat on."

The power of His resurrection!

"He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

No Liar, no Adulterer, no Covetous Man can get into Heaven

The Christian life, as set forth in the Word of God, means an absolute surrender; it means putting God first; it means seeking first THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Are you doing it?

Why, when it comes to running a store, or running a farm, or working at this, that, and the other thing, that is all secondary; and whenever you allow anything to keep you away from the Wednesday night meeting, or to keep you from the Restoration Host work, or to come between you and your God, are you putting God first?—are you seeking first THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

NO!

Now then, of some of you people at last it will be said, "He did no harm." And the same inscription might be written on a gate-post. I never heard a gate-post swear, I never saw one smoke, and I never saw one chew and spit tobacco.

Is that the best that can be said of you?

"HOW SHALL WE ESCAPE, IF WE NEGLECT SO GREAT SALVATION?"

The negative life is not the eternal life. The eternal life is to KNOW GOD, and JESUS THE CHRIST Whom He hath sent!

"She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth."

"The wages of sin is death."

Did you read that story, penned by an actress just before she took her life, which was printed in the Chicago papers? She had run her course on the stage, and, after having been married half-a-dozen times and divorced seven, just before taking her life she wrote a farewell message, in which she said, "The wages of sin is death." In her case she thought it meant taking her life; but "The wages of sin is death" means not to know God, and Jesus the Christ Whom He hath sent.

That is what it means!

Now then, when you come down to the close of life, if you are God's, there is a legion of angels flying around you, waiting to receive your spirit.

You know, angels can go through doors and windows and walls; they are not barriers to angels. Jesus, after His resurrection, appeared in the midst of them when the doors were closed, did He not?

Sure!

And when the saint comes to depart there is a whole legion of angels waiting to bear the immortal spirit away.

The Christian never dies; he goes to sleep in the arms of Jesus. That is what the Bible says about death, that it is a falling asleep.

When the wicked man comes to die—the man who will not turn to God and who does not know Him—there is a legion of devils hovering over him.

The Terrors of Death Seize upon the Ungodly

Did you ever notice what a terrible struggle a wicked man

has to get out of his body? Why, you would think there were four pair of horses, an automobile truck, and a locomotive trying to tear his damned spirit out of his body; and the devils are there with a greased plank, and they slide that spirit right down into hell.

Down in hell they have a reservoir of beer, and they take these old beer guzzlers and stand them in it, until the beer comes right up around their necks. They have a reservoir of tobacco juice for these old tobacco chewers and smokers.

What is hell?

Hell is where every inhabitant is vile and wicked, and where most of them are drunken, tobacco-soaked sots. If you continue in your wickedness you will get your fill of it in hell.

Now then, when you pass away you are no nearer God than you were right here.

"Oh," the mother says, "don't you think my boy went to Heaven?"

No, mother.

"Do you think he is in hell?"

I do not *think* it, I *know* it!

"Do you think a Loving, Merciful God would do a thing like that?"

God did not do it.

If I stick my hand in the fire and it gets burnt, God did not burn it; if I smoke cigarettes and get consumption, God is not the cause of it.

I will tell you, the devil gets blamed for a whole lot for which I do not think the old "gent" ought to be blamed. I believe in giving even the devil his just dues. I believe there are a lot of people who are blaming the devil for things, when there is nobody to blame but themselves. He is guilty of enough, I know that.

This Easter Lord's Day, April 23, 1916, the whole world is in a turmoil, and we are getting the first breath of the great and terrible day of God Almighty.

Some people say, "Will the United States get into it?"

The United States will have to be judged the same as Germany, the same as England, and the same as France. France will have to answer to God Almighty for her crimes against Heaven. England will have to answer to God for her crimes against the Boers, and against China and India. Old Russia will have to answer for her crimes against God's people, and the United States will have to answer for her crimes.

I say emphatically, as a public man, I do not agree with President Wilson's policy, not one iota. I have the right to say it, too; for has the time come in the United States of America when free speech is dead, and when a citizen has not the right to express his honest, God-given convictions regarding a matter that may plunge this Nation into a bloody war?

If I were President of the United States, I would give these Americans their orders, that if they traveled on belligerent vessels I would take no responsibility for what happened to them!

I am not the only man in this country that takes that position.

Nationality in Zion of Secondary Importance to Citizenship in the Kingdom

Now, in ZION, if we are ZION, we are not German, English, French, or Russian; neither are we white, yellow, black or brown—and I hope we are not green.

We are Christians!

We are sons and daughters of God!

I say it emphatically, that I am A KINGDOM OF GOD man first, and an American afterwards; and whenever America asks me to do anything that is against my God and Father, they can back me up against a wall and put a bullet through me!

Obedience to God comes before obedience to any human government!

Let this country put the Name of God in its Constitution!

Let this country recognize God Almighty, Jesus the Christ, and the Sermon on the Mount!

Let this country put itself into the hands of the Great God Who is able to protect us at all times and under all circumstances!

Let Mr. Wilson tell the public, if he can, why he orders Americans out of Mexico, and then adopts the policy of permitting Americans to travel on belligerent vessels!

I say, "O Consistency, thou art a jewel!"

Now then, I have no interest in Germany, or England, or France, or Russia, except from THE KINGDOM OF GOD standpoint. They have all got to GO, this country included!

The Bible says that when Christ comes to reign He will dash these nations to pieces, as a potter's vessel; and it says, "THE KINGDOMS OF THIS WORLD ARE BECOME THE KINGDOM OF OUR LORD, AND OF HIS CHRIST; AND HE SHALL REIGN FOR EVER AND EVER."—Revelation 11:15.

Then I say, ZION, let us belong to THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and let us be brothers and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ!

God has said, "Thou shalt not kill," and it is just as much murder when ten thousand rush at five thousand and kill them, as it is when one man rushes at a fellow man and takes his life.

The Building-up of Zion in Troublous Times

ZION has been born! ZION is a NATION! ZION is God's Nation, born in the midst of turmoil and strife.

The judgment of the nations has begun, and I do not know where it is going to end. The United States may get into the conflict, and she may get a good, sound licking when she gets into it. President Wilson cannot say she will not.

I know there are millions of people who are not behind the President in the policy he has adopted. If he were going to take this position, why did he not take it fourteen months ago?

My candid opinion is that this country will demand Theodore Roosevelt for president; not because they like him in every particular, but because the country wants a MAN for president.

Roosevelt is a man, every inch of him! He has a mind that is clear, he is conscientious, and he is not afraid to express himself. Every utterance he makes has a backbone and stands up straight.

I do not know whether Roosevelt would mean war or not.

Every time I think of him I am reminded of the story of a certain little boy. His mother never could get a picture of him. Whenever it was attempted he would stand on his head, kick the bottom out of the chair, and threaten to break the camera.

One day the photographer said to the mother, "If you will turn that boy over to me, I will get a picture of him."

She said, "You won't hurt him?"

He said, "I won't have to hurt him. You just bring him down and leave him with me."

She did as he suggested, and as soon as he was placed in the chair he began to squirm and twist. The photographer said to him, "I will break every bone in your body, if you don't keep still!" And he sat up as nice as could be, while he had a lovely picture taken.

My opinion is that that is about the policy of Roosevelt.

Well, I am glad to see you.

This is a glorious day, and this is a magnificent audience.

This is the first Lord's Day I have been here since the last Lord's Day in September, and it will be the last until the Ninth of July.

I desire to thank Conductors Thomas, Hire, and Newcomer, and also the Choir, and the Orchestra, and the Band, for the part they have had in this service.

I am glad to see some visitors from Chicago that I have seen in my audiences there. There is no place like ZION! Get your application forms and fill them in and take your stand for God and for ZION.

Next Lord's Day I will speak in Chicago, and every Lord's Day thereafter, including the Second of July.

The Feast of Tabernacles begins on the night of the Fifth of July. Come out and spend the Fourth with us!

Do not forget that Dr. Dowie was the author of the "Sane Fourth" in the United States; and in ZION CITY we have a Sane Fourth—it is a glorious picnic day in ZION.

Now then, everything is going along nicely. God is blessing and building up ZION.

Let the ZION message be carried from house to house in Chicago, telling the old, old story of Jesus—the Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper!

As I look over this audience, I can pick out quite a number whom I have seen in by audiences in Chicago. I am glad to welcome you to ZION CITY.

Now, may God bless you!

The Choir marched out, singing in RECESSIONAL, "THE SHADOWS OF THE EVENING HOURS."

The shadows of the evening hours
Fall from the dark'ning sky;
Upon the fragrance of the flow'rs
The dews of evening lie.
Before Thy throne, O Lord of heav'n,
We kneel at close of day;
Look on Thy children from on high,
And hear us while we pray.

The sorrows of Thy servants, Lord,
Oh, do not Thou despise.
But let the incense of our pray'rs
Before Thy mercy rise.
The brightness of the coming night
Upon the darkness rolls;
With hopes of future glory chase
The shadows from our souls.

Slowly the rays of daylight fade:
So fade within our heart
The hopes in earthly love and joy,
That one by one depart.
Slowly the bright stars, one by one,
Within the heavens shine;
Give us, O Lord, fresh hopes in heav'n,
And trust in things divine.

Let peace, O Lord, Thy peace, O God,
Upon our souls descend;
From midnight fears, and perils, Thou
Our trembling hearts defend.
Give us a respite from our toll;
Calm and subdue our woes;
Thro' the long day we labor, Lord,
Oh, give us now repose.

Apostle Carey then pronounced the

BENEDICTION

May the grace of God the Father, the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit the Comforter, the peace of the Blessed Christ, be with this congregation, and all of God's children everywhere. May Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. In Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

Do You Believe It?

"Bring ye all the tithes into the Storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Malachi 3:10)

"But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33)

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38)

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

"The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." (Proverbs 11:24, 25)

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

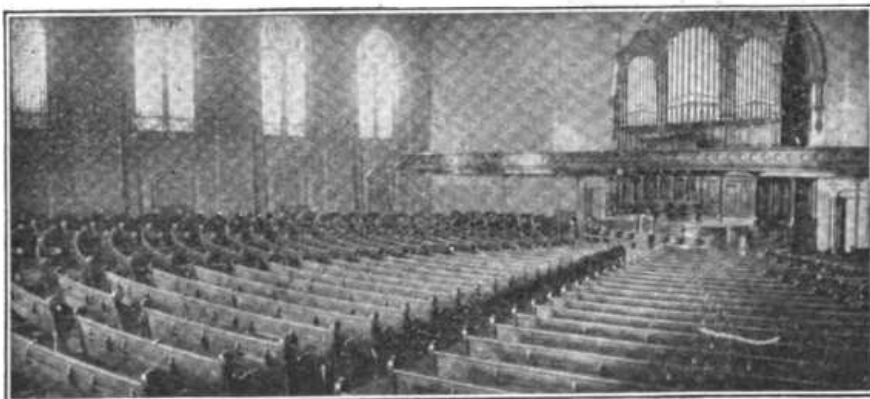
"But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:19, 20, 21)



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2. Call upon His Name:
3. Make known His deeds among the people.
4. Sing unto Him,
5. Sing psalms unto Him:
6. Talk ye of all His wondrous works.
7. Glory ye in His Holy Name.
8. Seek the Lord, and His strength:
9. Seek His face evermore.
10. Remember His marvelous works that He hath done; His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth.

(Psalm 105:1-5)

THE
QUALIFICATIONS
OF
A CITIZEN OF ZION

I. Positive Qualities:

1. He who walketh uprightly.
2. He who worketh righteousness.
3. He who speaketh the truth in his heart;
4. In whose eyes a vile person is condemned;
5. He honoreth them who fear the Lord.
6. He who sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

II. Negative Qualities:

1. He who backbiteth not with his tongue,
 2. Nor doeth evil to his neighbor,
 3. Nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor.
 4. He who putteth not out his money to usury,
 5. Nor taketh reward against the innocent.
- (Psalm 15)

Gottes Weg der Heilung.

Rev. John Alex. Dowie.

Gottes Weg der Heilung ist eine Person und nicht eine Sache.

Jesus sagte: „Ich bin der Weg, die Wahrheit und das Leben,“ und durch alle Jahrhunderte hindurch hat Er sich stets durch den Bundes-Namen geoffenbart, Jehovah-Kophi oder „Ich bin der Herr, der dich heilt.“ (Joh. 14, 6. 2. Mos. 15. 26.)

Der Herr Jesus Christus ist noch heute unser Arzt.

Er kann sich nicht verändern, denn „Er ist derselbe, gestern, heute und in Ewigkeit.“ Er ist noch bei uns, denn Er sagt „Siehe, Ich bin bei euch alle Tage bis an der Welt Ende“ (Hebr. 13, 8. Matth. 28, 20.) Weil Er unveränderlich ist, und weil Er anwesend ist im Geiste, gerade wie damals im Fleische, deshalb ist Er der Arzt Seines Volkes.

Göttliche Heilung beruht auf Christi Versöhnung.

Es war von Ihm profetisiert worden: „Fürwahr, Er trug unsere Krankheit und lud auf Sich unsere Schmerzen,—und durch Seine Wunden sind wir geheilt.“ Es heißt ausdrücklich, daß die Profetisierung in Seinem Heilungswirken in Erfüllung ging, und immerwährend fortbesteht. (Jesaja 53, 4, 5. Matth. 8, 17.)

Krankheit kann niemals Gottes Wille sein.

Sie ist des Satans Werk, die Folge der Sünde und es ist nicht möglich, daß ein Werk Satans je Gottes Wille ist. Christus kam „die Werke des Teufels zu zerstören“ und, als Er hier auf Erden war, „heilte Er allerlei Seuche und Krankheit“ und es heißt ausdrücklich, daß alle diese Krankheiten „Uebervältigungen des Teufels“ waren. (1 Joh. 3, 8. Matth. 4, 23. Apost. 10, 38.)

Die Gaben der Heilung sind fortbauend.

Es heißt ausdrücklich „Gottes Gaben und Berufung mögen Ihn nicht gereuen,“ und die Gaben der Heilung sind unter den neun Gaben des Geistes für die Kirche. (Röm. 11, 29. 1 Cor. 12, 8—11.)

Es giebt vier Arten der göttlichen Heilung.

Die erste Art ist das direkte Gebet des Glaubens, die zweite ist das vermittelnde Gebet von zwei oder mehr Personen, die dritte ist die Salbung durch die Aeltesten, vereint mit Glaubensgebet. Die vierte Art ist die Handauslegung Derjenigen, welche glauben und die Gott zu diesem Amte vorbereitet und berufen hat. (Matth. 8, 5—13. 18. 19. Jac. 5, 14. 15. Marc. 16, 18.)

Göttliche Heilung wird von teuflischen Verfälschern bestritten.

Unter diesen befinden sich die fälschlich sogenannte Christliche Wissenschaft (Christian Science), Geist-Heilung (Mental Science), Spiritismus, Entzündungs-Evangelismus, u. s. w. (1 Tim. 6, 20. 21, 4; 1. 2. Jes. 51, 22. 23.)

Tausende sind durch den Glauben an Jesum geheilt worden.

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Words of Comfort and Consolation

"Jesus said, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?"—Luke 24:38.

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."—John 14:27.

"God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."—Romans 5:8.

"I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness have I drawn thee."—Jeremiah 31:3.

"God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son."—I. John 5:11.

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."—Psalm 46:1.

"The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms."—Deuteronomy 33:27.

"I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."—Isaiah 41:10.

"Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me."—Psalm 50:15.

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee."—Psalm 55:22.

"For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me: He shall set me up upon a rock."—Psalm 27:5.

"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy."—Psalm 103:8.

"I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for Mine anger is turned away."—Hosea 14:4.

"For, thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon Thee."—Psalm 86:5.

"My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."—Philippians 4:19.

"He that spared not His Own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?"—Romans 8:32.

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass."—Psalm 37:5.

"The Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy."—James 5:11.

"He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when He shall hear it, He will answer thee."—Isaiah 30:19.

"The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him."—Psalm 145:18.

"The Lord shall guide thee continually."—Isaiah 58:11.

"The Lord, He it is that doth go before thee; He will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee."—Deuteronomy 31:8.

"This God is our God for ever and ever: He will be our guide even unto death."—Psalm 48:14.

"I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."—John 14:3.

"When He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is."—I. John 3:2.

"When Christ, Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory."—Colossians 3:4.

"Trust ye in the Lord for ever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength."—Isaiah 26:4.

"My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness."—II. Corinthians 12:9.

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday; and today, and forever."—Hebrews 13:8.

"Jesus said, Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me."—John 14:1.

"For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."—Romans 8:38, 39.

"Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art Mine."—Isaiah 43:1.

"I, even I, am He that blotteth out the transgressions for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins."—Isaiah 43:25.

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee."—Isaiah 41:10.

"The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit."—Psalm 34:18.

"A bruised reed shall He not break, and the smoking flax shall He not quench."—Isaiah 42:3.

"The Lord will give strength unto his people."—Psalm 29:11.

"Jesus said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the father in My name, He will give it you."—John 16:23.

"All things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."—Matthew 21:22.

"For every one that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened."—Luke 11:10.

"God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved."—John 3:17.

"Whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved."—Romans 10:13.

"For with the Lord there is mercy; and with Him is plenteous redemption."—Psalm 130:7.

"God is faithful, Who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."—I. Corinthians 10:13.

"The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations."—II. Peter 2:9.

"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."—Isaiah 1:18.

"Your sins are forgiven you, for His Name's sake."—I. John 2:12.

"He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities."—Isaiah 53:5.

"As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up; That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. 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 3:14-16.

"Jesus said, Come unto Me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—Matthew 11:28.

"Jesus said, Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out."—John 6:37.

"Jesus said, I am the Bread of Life: he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst."—John 6:35.

"I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins."—Isaiah 44:22.

"He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us."—Psalm 103:10-12.

"Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the Just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God."—I. Peter 3:18.

"Now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off, are made nigh by the blood of Christ."—Ephesians 2:13.

"There is, therefore, now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus."—Romans 8:1.

"Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you."—I. Peter 5:7.

"He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."—Hebrews 13:5.

"The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by Him; and the Lord shall cover him all the day long."—Deuteronomy 33:12.

"The Lord is thy Keeper: the Lord is thy Shade upon thy right hand. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in, from this time forth, and even for evermore."—Psalm 121:5, 7, 8.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because He trusteth in Thee."—Isaiah 26:3.

"The blood of Jesus Christ his Son, cleanseth us from all sin."—I. John 1:7.

"In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins."—Ephesians 1:7.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other Name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."—Acts 4:12.

"Behold, the Lamb of God, Who taketh away the sin of the world."—John 1:29.

"Jesus said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on Me hath everlasting life."—John 6:47.

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."—II. Corinthians 6:2.

"I, even I, am He that comforteth you."—Isaiah 51:12.

"As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you."—Isaiah 66:13.

"Jesus said, I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you."—John 14:18.

"Jesus said, If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"—Luke 11:13.

"Jesus said, I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth."—John 14:16, 17.

"Jesus said, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."—Matthew 7:7.

"What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."—Mark 11:24.

"If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it."—John 14:14.

"The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."—Luke 19:10.

"Who His Own Self bare our sins in his Own body on the tree."—I. Peter 2:24.

"Whosoever believeth in Him, shall receive remission of sins."—Acts 10:43.

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."—I. Timothy 1:15.

"The Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear."—Isaiah 59:1.

"He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them."—Hebrews 7:25.

"Jesus said, I am the Good Shepherd: the Good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand."—John 10:11, 27, 28.

"Because I live, ye shall live also."—John 14:19.

"But God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love where-with He loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."—Ephesians 2:4-6.

"Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust, and not be afraid."—Isaiah 12:2.

TITHING

Tithing in the Patriarchial Age

"And he (Abram) gave him (Melchizedec as God's High Priest) tithes of all."—Genesis 14:20.

"Of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto Thee."—Genesis 28:22.

Tithing in the Mosaic Dispensation

"All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord."—Leviticus 27:30.

Tithing in the Reign of Solomon

"Honor the Lord with thy substance,
And with the first-fruits of all thine increase:
So shall thy barns be filled with plenty,
And thy presses shall burst out with new wine."
Proverbs 3:9, 10.

Tithing Under the Prophets

"Will a man rob God? yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation. BRING YE ALL THE TITHES INTO THE STOREHOUSE."—Malachi 3:8, 9, 10.

Tithing in the Christian Dispensation

"To whom (Melchizedec) also Abraham divided a tenth part of all."—Hebrews 7:2.

"Thou (Christ) art a Priest forever after the order of Melchizedec."—Hebrews 7:17.

"Here men that die receive tithes; but there He received them; of whom it is witnessed that He liveth."—Hebrews 7:8.

"Ye pay tithes of mint, anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."—Matthew 23:23.

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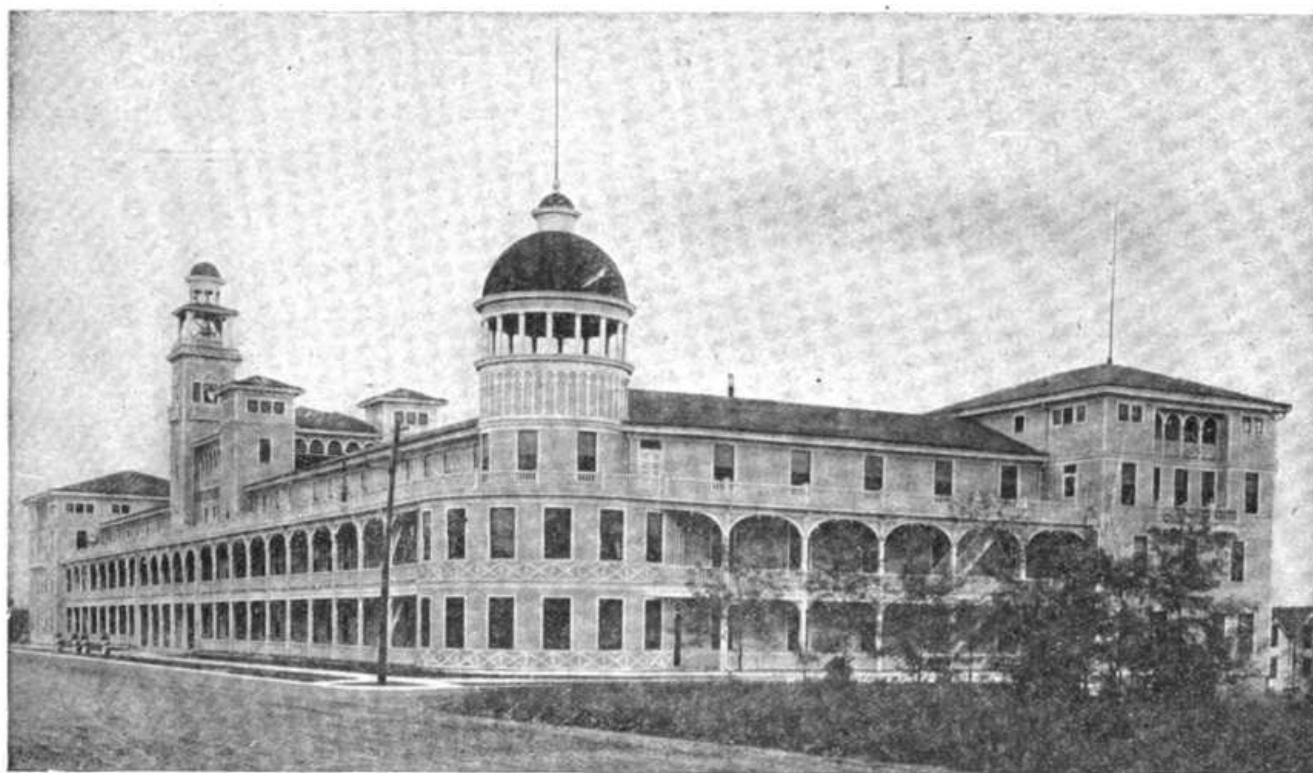
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From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries." Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Site of Zion Temple. Public Holiday in Zion City.

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH

9:30 A. M.

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

Miscellaneous Musical Program.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

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Farm No. 10	67 acres	85 per acre
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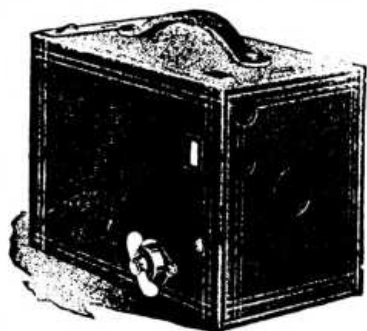


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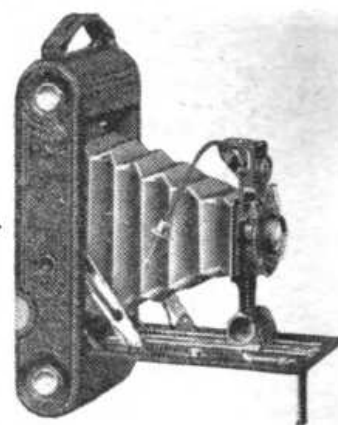
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Written Testimony of Mrs. W. Barrowcliff

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May 15, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

It is with praise and thanksgiving to my Heavenly Father, and praying that it may be a blessing to someone else, that I write this testimony. I thank God for all He has done for me. It was through the "Leaves of Healing" that flew into our home, with that beautiful message of Salvation, Healing and Holy Living, that we were all blessed. It would take too much time and space to tell all that God has done for us, so I will tell it just as briefly as I can. Words cannot express all of God's goodness. I never could count the blessings God has given us: all because we obeyed Him, according to His Word. I thank God that He has put within me an obedient spirit.

It is eighteen years this summer since God healed me of consumption, after four doctors had given me up. I read the "Leaves of Healing" that were sent to me by Miss Fannie Law, and when I compared them with my Bible, I found that they contained the truth. I made up my mind that I would give up all medicines and trust God for healing, through faith in Jesus. After reading the "Leaves of Healing" the Bible became a new book to me. One Sunday as I was reading them I felt as though a great load was being lifted off of me, and I became hot and flushed—that was when the healing came. I was willing to obey God in whatever He said, and to trust Him. I was baptized in the river here on a day when it was very rough. We had to take a boat to go over to the Kentucky side to be baptized, and my aunt said, "Are you not afraid to go across in that boat?" I said, "No, I am going to obey." When we came back the river was very calm.

Then my husband accepted the truth and was blessed, of which he will tell you himself. After that our oldest girl, Georgia, was healed of scarlet fever and measles together. At the time of prayer the fever left, and that evening she vomited a basin full, and from that time on she got better. She was very weak, but in two weeks she went back to school.

Bessie and John, our two next children, have never tasted a drop of medicine. They are 16 and 13 years old respectively, and God has wonderfully kept them. John had a small rupture from birth; and when we lived in Zion City he took cholera-infantum and spasms, while cutting his stomach teeth. My husband went to Dr. Dowie and had him pray, and as he returned he had the assurance that the baby would be healed. When he returned he found the baby asleep. When the baby awoke he asked for something to eat, a thing he had not done for three weeks. He was healed of the rupture at the same time. He was so thin that we had to carry him on a pillow, but he was soon able to walk again. About a year after that he fell on the floor, spreading and injuring his leg at the thigh, and when we picked him up we could hear the bone scrape. We had to sit him down just a certain way. We sent in a request for prayer, and in three weeks' time he was all right again. That was a wonderful healing, for which we praise God. Mr. McElroy can confirm that testimony, because he saw the healing.

Then the following winter I contracted the Erysipelas from taking a heavy cold. We sent a request for prayer to the officers' meeting, and God wonderfully blessed. I was weak for a while, but I soon got strong.

When we lived in Zion City, I sang in the choir, and used my voice and lungs for God. I have no desire for any of the things of the world. I just want to serve Him.

When we returned to Cincinnati, we found that Elder Harwood was here. I took a heavy cold in some way, and it settled on my stomach. We called the Elder and he prayed, and God healed me, but I was so weak that I thought I must die, my voice nearly left me. But I do thank God that he healed me in answer to the prayer of faith. We do thank God for Elder Harwood, he was very faithful.

When our oldest boy was born, my face was swollen up from a bad tooth, and I was a terrible looking sight. A sister prayed that afternoon, and in the evening the swelling burst. My throat was fast closing up, when the victory came. Three times the devil tried to kill me, because I was serving God.

I was also healed of a bealed breast. My aunt was at our home that evening, and she said, "Let's pray for it," and we did, and in a few moments it burst.

Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there will I be in the midst of them."

For a while we were in the Christian Church, but we could not take this beautiful teaching of Zion in there, especially Divine Healing, and I was a living witness to that. But I am sorry that we ever went in with them, and am very glad that God by His Holy Spirit, and Evangelist Hammock's prayers and love, won us back to Zion; for which we praise God.

No more backsliding! Our prayer to God is, that He will keep us ever faithful to Zion, and to Zion's leader, and enable us to give our time, talent and money for the extension of His Kingdom. We do thank God for His great love and mercy to us.

God has also blessed us in tithing. I can truthfully say that we pay our tithes cheerfully.

A year ago I was healed of the grippe. For three days I had no appetite, and I had pains all through my body; but when the Evangelist prayed, it all left, and my appetite soon came back. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Had I been trusting the arm of flesh, I might have been on my back for some time.

We surely did enjoy our visit to the last Feast of Tabernacles;

it was the best we ever attended. We do thank God for our firm and faithful leader; and may God richly bless him in this great work, and may we all be a help and a blessing to him.

I trust this testimony will be a help to every reader, and that God by His Holy Spirit will reveal the beautiful truths of Zion to them, for the sake of Jesus.

Yours humbly in the Master's service,

(Signed) MRS. W. BARROWCLIFF.

Written Testimony of Mr. W. Barrowcliff

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

May 15, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

I wish to confirm my wife's testimony: the half has never been told. I thank God for Salvation, Healing and Holy Living, which are taught us in Zion, and for the way it has opened the Scriptures to us.

I also thank God that Dr. Dowie sent an officer to Cincinnati, to hammer this truth into us. I am grateful to God for the patience and love he had in explaining the many truths to me, and for the help he was to me.

God, through Zion teaching, showed me the way out of secret societies. God also wonderfully delivered me from the liquor habit. At one time, while I was working on a canal boat, I averaged about a quart of whisky a day, with from 45 to 65 cents worth of beer a day. After that I worked on an ice wagon, going from one saloon to another, and I do not think that I was thoroughly sober in seven months, during the time I was on the wagon.

God has greatly blessed me in paying tithes.

I also thank God for the branch in Cincinnati; which has been a great blessing to our whole family.

I thank God for the blessings that I have received through reading "Leaves of Healing."

After leaving Zion City we came to Cincinnati, then we as a family, to our sorrow, drifted away from Zion and joined the so-called Christian Church.

Later on I took sick with the rheumatism, but I could not ask the minister or elder of that church to pray for me, because they would ask God to bless the means.

I was then willing to submit, and asked Evangelist Hammock to pray for me, which he kindly came and did, and I received my healing, for which I do thank God.

I then sent a letter to the Christian Church, asking them to erase our names—a family of five—from the church roll and then we came right back into Zion. I thank God that we were taken back.

After the Christian Minister received our letter, he called on us and asked us what was the difference between their church and Zion. I told him that there was as much as between day and night, and he did not like that.

I thank God for the blessings that we receive in doing Restoration Work, and also in the cottage meetings. We thank God for the answer to prayer in selling one of our houses, and we do ask your prayers that we may sell the rest, that we may put the money into Zion, to extend God's Kingdom. I have worked for the firm that I am now with for four years, and have received five raises in salary, which I believe came because I was faithful in paying tithes. God has also blessed us in keeping our houses rented, and in receiving the rents without any trouble, because he gets one-tenth of the rent.

But above all we thank God for the General Overseer for keeping Zion together, and giving us an officer in Cincinnati. And we are aiming to do all that we can to help the work along here. I thank God for the blessings that we received at the last Feast of Tabernacles. Those meetings were the best that I ever attended.

I pray God to bless this testimony to some poor, wandering sinners like we were, and that it will help them to know our Savior as we do. May God richly bless all Zion everywhere, and bless our leader, is our prayer.

Yours in the Master's service,

(Signed) MR. W. BARROWCLIFF.

CONFESSION

Every sinner is required by the WORD OF GOD to confess his sins to the person against whom he has sinned.

Get right with man: then you will be in a position to get right with God.

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History of Divine Healing in the Word of God

By Apostle Wm. S. Peckham

DIVINE HEALING is an integral part of the Word of God. If the passages on this great subject were to be cut out of the Bible, a large part of both the Old Testament and the New Testament would be gone.

Throughout the Word of God the truth of Divine Healing is taught in a very plain and practical way.

THE ORIGIN OF SIN AND SICKNESS

In the First Chapter of Genesis, we are told that God created everything perfect:

And God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good.—Genesis 1:31.

In the Second Chapter of Genesis, we are told how Satan deceived Adam and Eve, and how the knowledge of good and evil came to man; how God's creation became marred; how sin and death entered this world.

In these two chapters, God is shown to be the Author of life and righteousness, and Satan, the author of sin and death.

It is our purpose, in this brief article, to trace, as fully as space will permit, the history of Divine Healing in the Word of God.

THE HISTORY OF DIVINE HEALING IN THE BIBLE

We shall go back to Abraham for the practical beginning of the history of Divine Healing, as recorded in the Scriptures.

So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children.—Genesis 20:17.

Here we have set forth Divine Healing among the Patriarchs before the law was given by Moses, and before the Levitical priesthood was established.

THE COVENANT OF DIVINE HEALING

Providentially after sin and sickness, disease and death, came into this world, God revealed Himself as the Savior and the Healer of His people, and gave them the Covenant of Divine Healing.

In Exodus the Fifteenth Chapter and the Twenty-sixth Verse, we have this Covenant of Divine Healing, with all the conditions, clearly set forth:

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will permit none of these diseases to come upon thee, which I have permitted to come upon the Egyptians: FOR I AM THE LORD WHO HEALETH THEE.—Exodus 15:26.

This declaration would be sufficient to confirm the truth of Divine Healing if there never had been any healings wrought among God's people.

Divine healing rests upon the Word of God, and not upon human testimony.

When the children of Israel were brought up out of Egypt, there were no sick persons among them.

He brought them forth also with silver and gold: AND THERE WAS NOT ONE FEEBLE PERSON AMONG THEIR TRIBES.—Psalm 105:37.

They had been miraculously kept by God, in the midst of all the diseases that existed among the Egyptians; and God promised them that if they would continue in His service, they should not be sick at all.

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.—Exodus 23:25.

The way of life is thus shown to be in the service of God; and Divine Healing and Divine Keeping are prerogative powers belonging to God alone.

Union with God is LIFE, and separation from God is DEATH. Perfect union with God and perfect service to Him will re-

sult in perfect health. This is the law of life in the natural as well as in the spiritual world.

God's provision for the healing of leprosy, the most loathsome and horrible disease known to humanity, was that those afflicted with it should be brought to the priest.

And the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying,

When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh like the plague of leprosy; then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests.—Leviticus 13:1, 2.

THE SIN OF MURMURING CAUSES DISEASE AND DEATH

In Numbers the Twelfth Chapter, we have the story of Miriam, Moses' sister, who, because of murmuring, was smitten with leprosy, but who was healed when Moses cried to God for her deliverance.

And Moses cried unto the Lord, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech Thee.—Numbers 12:13.

The spirit of murmuring in Aaron and Miriam, leaders in Israel, soon got into the people—"Like priest, like people"—and fiery serpents were sent among them, and many were bitten and many died.

But when the people repented of their sin of murmuring, and asked Moses to pray unto the Lord for them, God heard and God healed all who turned to Him, as they looked at the serpent which He set up by the hand of Moses.

And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread.

And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that He take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one who is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole; and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.—Numbers 21:5-9.

No physicians were called, and no whisky or drugs were taken as antidotes; but God healed in answer to prayer, when sin was put away.

FAMINE, PESTILENCE, PLAGUE, AND SICKNESS ARE THE RESULTS OF SIN

Solomon knew that sickness and all disaster came as a result of sin, and that the way of healing and blessing was opened to those who sought the Lord for forgiveness and deliverance. Therefore, he prayed, at the dedication of the Temple, as follows:

When Thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against Thee, and shall turn again to Thee, and confess Thy Name, and pray, and make supplication unto Thee in this house:

Then hear Thou in Heaven, and forgive the sin of Thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which Thou gavest unto their fathers.

When Heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against Thee; if they pray toward this place, and confess Thy Name, and turn from their sin, when Thou afflicted them:

Then hear Thou in Heaven, and forgive the sin of Thy servants, and of Thy people Israel, that Thou teach them the good way wherein they should walk, and give rain upon Thy land, which Thou hast given to Thy people for an inheritance.

If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blasting, mildew, locust, or if there be caterpillar; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their cities; whatsoever plague, whatsoever sickness there be;

What prayer and supplication soever be made by any man, or by all Thy people Israel, who shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

Then hear Thou in Heaven Thy dwellingplace, and forgive, and do, and give to every man according to his ways, whose heart Thou knowest (for Thou, even Thou only, knowest the hearts of all the children of men);

That they may fear Thee all the days that they live in the land which Thou gavest unto our fathers.—I. Kings 8:33-39.

ELIJAH RAISES THE WIDOW'S SON

God worked mighty miracles through the prophets, and brought the dead to life again.

And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.

And Elijah cried unto the Lord, and said, O Lord my God, I pray Thee, let this child's soul come into him again.

And the Lord heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.

And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See thy son liveth.

And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou art a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in thy mouth is truth.—I. Kings 17:18, 21-24.

ELISHA RESTORES LIFE TO THE SON OF THE SHUNAMMITE

Life was saved and life was restored in obedience to the prophet of God.

And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the reapers.

And he said unto his father, My head, my head! And he said to a lad, Carry him to his mother.

And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till noon, and then died.

And she went up, and laid him on the bed of the man of God, and shut the door upon him, and went out.....

And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, and laid upon his bed.

He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the Lord.

And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands; and he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm.

Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

And he called Gehazi, and said, Call this Shunammite. So he called her. And when she was come in unto him, he said, Take up thy son.

Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground, and took up her son, and went out.—II. Kings 4:18-21; 32-37.

THE HEALING OF NAAMAN THE LEPER

A captive Israelitish maid points her Syrian Master to the prophet of God in Israel, and through obedience he was healed of his leprosy.

Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honorable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valor, but he was a leper.

And the Syrians had come out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.

And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel.

And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment.

And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have herewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? Wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.

And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore has thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.

But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the Name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper.

Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.

And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?

Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.—II. Kings 5:1-14.

TWO NOTABLE INSTANCES OF DEATH OF THOSE WHO TURNED AWAY FROM GOD

The two following cases set forth the wickedness and utter uselessness of turning away from the Lord and looking to other gods, or to earthly physicians.

Then Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab. And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that was in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron whether I shall recover of this disease.

But the angel of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?

Now therefore thus saith the Lord, Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.....

And the angel of the Lord said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not afraid of him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.

And he said unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, is it not because there is no God in Israel to inquire of His word? therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

So he died according to the word of the Lord which Elijah had spoken.—II. Kings 1:1-4; 15-17.

And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians.

And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.

And they buried him in his own sepulchres, which he had made for himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odors and divers kinds of spices prepared by the apothecaries' art: and they made a very great burning for him.—II. Chronicles 16:12-14.

GOD A REFUGE IN TIMES OF PESTILENCE, FAMINE, AND AFFLICTION

The awful conditions prevailing over the earth today are due to the sin and wickedness of men and nations.

And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the Lord, before the new court,

And said, O Lord God of our fathers, art not Thou God in Heaven? and rulest not Thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in Thine hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand Thee?

Art not Thou our God, Who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before Thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham Thy friend for ever?

And they dwelt therein, and have built Thee a sanctuary therein for Thy name, saying,

If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in Thy presence (for Thy Name is in this house), and cry unto Thee in our affliction, then Thou wilt hear and help.—II. Chronicles 20:5-9.

JOB SMITTEN BY SATAN AND HEALED BY GOD

In the face of the following Scripture how can any minister of the Gospel claim that God makes people sick for their good? for then God would be doing Satan's work.

Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord.

And the Lord said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the Lord, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered My servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one who feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst Me against him, to destroy him without cause.

And Satan answered the Lord, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

But put forth Thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse Thee to Thy face.

And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life.

So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown."

Then Job answered the Lord, and said,

I know that Thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from Thee.

And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.—Job 2:1-7; 42:1, 2, 10.

DIVINE HEALING AND DIVINE KEEPING IN THE PSALMS

Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my bones are vexed.—Psalm 6:2.

He asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest it him, even length of days for ever and ever.—Psalm 21:4.

O Lord my God, I cried unto Thee, and Thou hast healed me. O Lord, Thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: Thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.—Psalm 30:2, 3.

The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: Thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.—Psalm 41:3.

Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise Him, Who is the Health of my countenance, and my God.—Psalm 42:11.

Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.—Psalm 50:15.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us;

That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations.—Psalm 67:1, 2.

Because thou hast made the Lord, Who is my Refuge, even the Most High, thy Habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. . . .

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him.

With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation.—Psalm 91:9, 10, 15, 16.

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.—Psalm 103:1-5.

Fools, because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities are afflicted.

Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death.

Then they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and He saveth them out of their distresses.

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.—Psalm 107:17-20.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.—Psalm 121:7, 8.

DIVINE HEALING IN THE ATONEMENT

The strongest argument for continuous Divine Healing is found in the Atonement; for, if Jesus died for our sicknesses as well as for our sins, then we have as much right to claim healing for the body as we have to claim salvation for the spirit.

Healing is for us as much as salvation!

Jesus' redemptive work covers all our needs for spirit, soul, and body.

All that resulted from the fall was covered in Christ's Atonement—sin, and all the effects of sin.

Surely He hath borne our sickness, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.—Isaiah 53:4, 5.

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many who were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all who were sick.

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.—Matthew 8:16, 17.

As long as there is forgiveness of sins, there is healing of the body, for both rest upon the Atonement. Destroy one and the other falls with it, and we are without hope in Christ. One cannot be true and the other false—both are true, or both are false.

There is healing in Christ's Blood for spirit, soul, and body!

Following Isaiah, the Prophet Jeremiah also couples salvation and healing together in the Lord:

Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man who trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord.

For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

Blessed is the man who trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. . . .

O Lord, the Hope of Israel, all who forsake Thee shall be ashamed, and they who depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the Lord, the Fountain of living waters.

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my Praise.—Jeremiah 17:5-7; 13, 14.

FAITHLESS SHEPHERDS CONDEMNED FOR NOT HEALING THE SICK

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel who do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them who are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.—Ezekiel 34:1-4.

The Word of God condemns the ministers who do not feed their flocks and heal the sick.

What a terrible judgment awaits the ministers who turn their people over to the doctors who are powerless to heal!

The shepherds today are as faithless as were those of Jeremiah's time.

PHYSICIANS SEVERELY CONDEMNED IN THE WORD OF GOD

And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians.

And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.—II Chronicles 16:12, 13.

Ye are all physicians of no value.—Job 13:4.

Thou hast no healing medicines.—Jeremiah 30:13.

In vain shalt thou use many medicines: for thou shalt not be cured.—Jeremiah 46:11.

And a certain woman, who had an issue of blood twelve years, And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse.—Mark 5:25, 26.

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and sorcerers (makers and venders of drugs) shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone.—Revelation 21:8.

HEALING AN IMPORTANT PART OF CHRIST'S MINISTRY

The Apostle Peter sums up the ministry of Jesus Christ in these words: "Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the Devil."

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

And His fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto Him all sick people who were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those who were possessed with devils, and those who were lunatic, and those who had the palsy: and He healed them.—Matthew 4:23, 24.

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many who were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all who were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.—Matthew 8:16, 17.

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.—Matthew 9:35.

. . . Great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all.—Matthew 12:15.

And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick.—Matthew 14:14.

And when the men of that place had knowledge of Him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto Him all who were diseased;

And besought Him that they might only touch the hem of His garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole.—Matthew 14:35, 36.

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.—Acts 10:38.

Jesus healed all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people, and it would be impossible to tell of all His works.

The following miracles of healing are narrated in detail in the four Gospels, and space will only permit the giving of the mere references:

Leprosy, Matthew 8:2, 3; Palsy, Matthew 8:5-13; Fever, Matthew 8:14, 15; Paralysis, Matthew 9:2; Blindness, Matthew 9:27; Dumbness, Matthew 9:27; Withered Hand, Matthew 12:10; Epilepsy, Matthew 17:14; Issue of Blood, Mark 5:25; Deafness, Mark 7:31; Insanity, Luke 8:26; Crooked Body, Luke 13:11; Dropsy, Luke 14:1-6; Severed Ear, Luke 22:50; Dead Raised, Luke 7:11, 8:41—John 11:31.

CHRIST SENDS FORTH THE TWELVE WITH POWER TO HEAL

Then He called His twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.

And He sent them to preach the Kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.

And He said unto them, Take nothing for your journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.

And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart.

And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them.

And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the Gospel, and healing every where.—Luke 9:1-6.

CHRIST SENDS FORTH THE SEVENTY WITH POWER TO HEAL

After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before His face into every city and place, whither He Himself would come.

Therefore said He unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest.

Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.

And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house.

And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.

And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the laborer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.

And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you;

And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The Kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.—Luke 10:1-9.

CHRIST'S COMMISSION TO THE DISCIPLES AND ALL BELIEVERS

And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature.

He who believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he who believeth not shall be damned.

And these signs shall follow them who believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

So then, after the Lord had spoken unto them, He was received up into Heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.—Mark 16:15-20.

DIVINE HEALING IN THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them who entered into the temple;

Who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked an alms.

And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking and leaping, and praising God.—Acts 3:1-8.

And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch).

And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them.

And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women);

Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them who were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.—Acts 5:12-16.

Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

For unclean spirit, crying with loud voice, came out of many who were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and who were lame, were healed.

And there was great joy in that city.—Acts 8:5-8.

And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house: and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, Who appeared unto thee in the way as thou comest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.—Acts 9:17, 18.

And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout all quarters, he came down also to the saints who dwelt at Lydda.

And there he found a certain man named Eneas, who had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.

And Peter said unto him, Eneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.

And all who dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.—Acts 9:32-35.

Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, who by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did.

And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber.

And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent unto him two men, desiring him that he would not delay to come to them.

Then Peter arose and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.

But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed: and turning him to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

And he gave her his hand, and lifted her up: and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive.

And it was known throughout all Joppa: and many believed in the Lord.—Acts 9:36-42.

And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:

The same heard Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.—Acts 14:8-10.

And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:

So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.—Acts 19:11, 12.

And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.

And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves: for his life is in him.

When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.

And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.—Acts 20:7-12.

And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.

And when the barbarians saw the venomous beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live.

And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm.

Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.—Acts 28:3-6.

And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.

So when this was done, others also, who had diseases in the island, came, and were healed.—Acts 28:7-9.

DIVINE HEALING PERMANENTLY PUT IN THE CHURCH

The truth of Divine Healing was believed and practiced down the centuries, and was only lost to God's people through an apostate church and faithless ministry.

And God hath SET some in the CHURCH, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?

Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet show I unto you a more excellent way.—1. Corinthians 12:28-30.

Is any sick among you? let him call for the ELDERS of the CHURCH; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord:

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.—James 5:14-16.

When John Alexander Dowie restored the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION he brought back the great truth of Divine Healing to the church.

THE SOURCE OF DEATH AND THE SOURCE OF LIFE

And, behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity, eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.

And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

And He laid His hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day.—Luke 13:11-16.

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; and that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil;

And deliver them, who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.—Hebrews 2:14, 15.

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.—Acts 10:38.

He who committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.—1. John 3:8.

But if the Spirit of Him Who raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He Who raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.—Romans 8:11.

And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.—Revelation 22:1, 2.

THE BEST BOOK ON DIVINE HEALING IS THE BIBLE

While we have traced Divine Healing from Genesis to Revelation, we have been able to give only a small part of the teaching of the Word of God upon this great subject.

Divine Healing has come down to us through the Patriarchs, the Levites, and the Prophets, the Christ, the Apostles, and the Church. It has been the common inheritance of God's people in all ages, and by no rules of logic can it be made to cease in the present age.

God's Truth is everlasting, and it endureth to all generations! The Covenant of Divine Healing and all the promises abide with the Truth.

God is unchangeable in all His attributes, and once the Healer must remain forever the Healer.

His Word confirms it!

I am the Lord Who healeth thee.—Exodus 15:26.

I am the Lord, I change not.—Malachi 3:6.

Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.—Matthew 8:17.

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever.—Hebrews 13:8.

Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.—Matthew 28:20.

Since Divine Healing is a part of the Gospel, it is possible for all to claim it; but if no one claims it and no one receives healing, it does not alter the fact, that God is still the Healer of His people.

He will heal all who come to Him in faith!

Divine Healing is a present-day reality in ZION!

His truth endureth to all generations.—Psalm 100:5.

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Report of the Lord's Day Afternoon Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., November 20, 1915, Address by Apostle Eustace L. Carey.

Reported by E. I. Carey

The Service was opened with the PROCESSIONAL by the ZION WHITE-ROBED CHOIR—"NOW LET US RAISE OUR HARVEST SONG."

Now let us raise our Harvest song,
And wake exultant singing;
Hark! how the house of God today
With joyful praise is ringing!

REFRAIN.—

Then praises bring our Lord and King,
Whose promise faileth never:
Who will His children's needs supply
For ever and for ever.

The golden grain now gather'd in,
His bounteous Hand bestoweth;
He sends the sunshine and the rain
To bless it as it groweth.

The seasons all God's love proclaim,
Each month His goodness sheweth,
Who day by day with gracious Hand
Our daily bread bestoweth.

Then raise, O raise your Harvest song!
For heav'n and earth are singing;
The anthem of our Father's Love
Round all the world is ringing.

INVOCATION BY APOSTLE CAREY

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us, that Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy Saving Health among all the nations; for the sake of Jesus. Amen.

APOSTLE CAREY: Let all turn to Hymn No. 406—"I WILL SING THE WONDROUS STORY."

I will sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ Who died for me,
How He left His home in glory
For the cross on Calvary.

CHORUS.—

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ Who died for me,
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.

I was lost, but Jesus found me,
Found the sheep that went astray;
Threw His loving arms around me,
Drew me back into His way.

I was bruised, but Jesus healed me,
Faint was I from many a fall,
Sight was gone, and fears possessed me,
But He freed me from them all.

Days of darkness still come o'er me,
Sorrow's paths I often tread,
But the Savior still is with me,
By His hand I'm safely led.

He will keep me, till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet;
Then He'll bear me safely over,
Where the loved ones I shall meet.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

APOSTLE DARMS: I will read from the Word of God, for our inspiration and edification, the Sixty-third Psalm and some selections from the New Testament.

O God, Thou art my God; early will I seek Thee, my soul thirsteth for Thee, my flesh longeth for Thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;

To see Thy power and Thy glory, so as I have seen Thee in the sanctuary.

Because Thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise Thee.

Thus will I bless Thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in Thy Name.

My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise Thee with joyful lips:

When I remember Thee upon my bed, and meditate on Thee in the night watches.

Because Thou hast been my Help, therefore in the shadow of Thy wings will I rejoice.

My soul followeth hard after Thee: Thy right hand upholdeth me.

But those who seek my soul, to destroy it, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.

They shall fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.

But the king shall rejoice in God; every one who sweareth by Him shall glory: but the mouth of them who speak lies shall be stopped.

In the Sixth Chapter of Matthew, from the Nineteenth to the Twenty-fourth Verse, inclusive:

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

But lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

A portion of the Seventh Chapter, from the Thirteenth Verse to the close of the chapter.

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be who go in thereat:

Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be who find it.

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

Not every one who saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he who doeth the will of My Father Who is in Heaven.

Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy Name? and in Thy Name have cast out devils? and in Thy Name done many wonderful works?

And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye who work iniquity.

Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of Mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, who built his house upon a rock:

And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

And every one who heareth these sayings of Mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand:

And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at His doctrine:

For He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

May God richly add His blessing to the reading of His Word!

The ANTHEM by the Senior Choir, entitled, "REJOICE IN THE LORD, YE RIGHTEOUS," was followed by the

GENERAL SUPPLICATION

Apostle Peckham: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we come unto Thee this afternoon in Shiloh Tabernacle to lift our hearts in praise and thanksgiving for Thy manifold mercies; for Thy love; for the power that has kept us through all the days since we last met here.

We thank Thee for Him Who spoke with authority, and not as the scribes. We thank Thee for Him Who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil. We thank Thee, O God, for Him Who, through a terrible experience upon Calvary's cross, met the requirements of the law and gave unto us justification, and Who is now sitting at the right hand of God the Father, there to continue to make intercession for us. We praise Thee, O God, that we know that His intercession is not in vain, but that Thou hast said that Thou wilt hear and answer.

We praise Thee, this afternoon, that as we gather in Shiloh Tabernacle we know that He is in Heaven waiting for us; that He will give to us the right to enter, and that we shall sit down with Him and rejoice forevermore in His Presence.

We thank Thee today that we are gathered here realizing the wondrous work which Thou hast given unto us to do. May we be faithful to a man, to a woman, and go forward preparing the way for His glorious return.

We thank Thee that the Holy Spirit is striving with many hearts and is coming in power into many lives, and is cleansing and purifying and making ready the bride for the coming of the Bridegroom.

We praise Thee, O God, this afternoon, that Thou hast so moved upon the hearts of the people that they are coming, one by one, from many cities and many lands to this place of Thine appointing; and that today we sit down in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. We are sitting down once more in the Kingdom of God. Soon we shall sit down with Jesus, with Abraham, with Isaac, with Jacob, and with all the worthies who have served Thee faithfully down through the ages.

We praise Thee for Him Whom Thou didst send in these last days to introduce the Times of Restoration, and we praise Thee for the wonderful words that he spoke; for the mighty deeds wrought through him; for the great love that he had for humanity, and which led him to toil and toil and toil—pouring out his very life that men might know God, and that this world might get the message.

We praise Thee for "Leaves of Healing." We praise Thee for the mighty message that went forth in the very beginning, and we thank Thee that every line was full of spirit, full of life, and full of faith and power. We ask Thee, O God, to continue to speak through the "Leaves of Healing" and to bless the message to earth's remotest bounds.

Hear us, O God, for him who leads this people; who today is standing between the living and the dead, and who is preaching the Everlasting Gospel in that great and mighty city, which is so full of iniquity. O God, have mercy upon that city! Bless Thy servant, this afternoon, as he speaks in Central Zion Tabernacle. Grant, O God, that his words shall burn, through the Spirit, into many hearts and many lives, bringing them to a knowledge of their own lost condition, and enabling them to see themselves in the light of Thy Word, as "Thou God seest us." We pray that Thou wilt bless the people of Zion; and as they gather together in their various places of worship, we pray that Thou wilt be there in mighty power.

Bless, this afternoon, the Holy Catholic Church in all lands—wherever they are assembled in worship. Bless, we pray Thee, the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion in this and other lands, and make it to be the light of the world; and we pray Thee that as Jesus dwells in their midst, and as the Word goes forth, the light of God may dispel the darkness of earth, and many lives may be surrendered to Thee.

We pray Thee, this afternoon, that Thou wilt bless Apostle Royall in China; that Thou wilt be with him, and enable him to stand there in the midst of heathen darkness and superstition and witness against the filth and iniquity and abominable practices that have brought humanity to the place where they have forsaken God. Oh, we pray Thee to help him to rescue the idol-worshippers and to bring back to the Father's house many wandering prodigals. O God, bless his helpers—Elder Viking and his wife and family, Miss Hosken, and the native workers.

Bless Zion in South Africa, in Australasia, in Jamaica, and in the islands of the sea. The banner of Zion has been planted in so many lands and places—grant, Lord, that it may ever be kept on high, a standard of righteousness and an emblem of Christ's Presence.

O God, bless, this afternoon, him who shall speak to us. We thank Thee that Thou hast given unto us so many true and faithful men of God. Grant, this afternoon, that the message may come with power and with might from the throne of God, and be accompanied by the power of the Holy Spirit and find a lodgment in

every heart, to the quickening of the saints, to the convicting of the sinners, and to the conquering of every evil in the life—the putting away of all that offends and that keeps back the blessing of God from individuals, and from this people.

We pray that Thou wilt accept the worship that has ascended as we have sung these hymns of praise, as we have sounded forth Thy glory in anthem and song. O God, be Thou exalted and honored in all the world! We pray that Thy people may not only honor Thee with their lips, but with their hearts, and that there may be a great and a mighty awakening.

We praise Thee for Zion—for Zion teaching; for the glorious work that has been done; for the bright and beautiful future that is before this people if they will only arise and put on their beautiful garments and go forth in righteousness to this wicked old world, to carry on the fight so well begun. We pray Thee that we may all be kept by power Divine, humbly trusting our leader and going forward fighting the good fight of faith, and thus bringing to pass the things for which we hope and pray.

Bless, we pray Thee, each one in Divine Presence. Thou knowest our needs!

O God, bless those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, and may they all be filled, this afternoon.

Bless, we pray Thee, any who may be in sorrow, and comfort them. Bless any who may be in sickness or in distress; and grant, O God, to stretch forth Thy hand in healing power this very hour, and set the prisoners free. Oh, we praise Thee for such a Savior—for such a Wonderful Savior, Who is able to do for us more abundantly than we are able to ask or think; Who is with us; Who is now mighty to save—to save unto the uttermost all who come unto Thee by Him.

O God, hear our prayer! Strengthen Thy servant! Bless, we pray Thee, the ministry, that they may be men after Thine Own heart, and that they may be men filled with faith and with the Holy Ghost.

Bless, we pray Thee, the people! Help them to obey Thee, and grant that Thy power shall rest upon all who are obedient and faithful and true.

Bless our little city. We thank Thee for it. O God, wherein there is anything wrong in any of our hearts; anything wrong in the hearts of the people in this city, grant that it may be confessed, for sins that are not confessed are not forgiven. We pray Thee, O God, that the people may realize this, and that if we cover our sins we shall not prosper, and the Lord will not hear us if we regard iniquity in our hearts.

Cleanse this people! Cleanse this city! Bring to pass, O God, the mighty things that were prophesied of Zion City, and grant that Thy people may be indeed a holy people. We ask it in Jesus' Name and for His sake, Who, in the days of His flesh, taught us to pray, and, when we pray, to say: (The Lord's Prayer was then reverently chanted.)

After the usual Announcements for the Week, the Senior Choir rendered the ANTHEM, entitled, "ARISE, SHINE!" The Tithes and Free-will Offerings were then received, while the OFFERTORY was played on the Pipe Organ.

APOSTLE CAREY: Let us sing Hymn No. 662—"SOWING THE SEED."

Sowing the seed by the daylight fair,
Sowing the seed by the noonday glare,
Sowing the seed by the fading light,
Sowing the seed in the solemn night;
Oh, what shall the harvest be?

Sowing the seed by the wayside high,
Sowing the seed on the rocks to die,
Sowing the seed where the thorns will spoil,
Sowing the seed in the fertile soil;
Oh, what shall the harvest be?

Sowing the seed of a lingering pain,
Sowing the seed of a maddened brain,
Sowing the seed of a tarnished name,
Sowing the seed of eternal shame;
Oh, what shall the harvest be?

Sowing the seed with an aching heart,
Sowing the seed while the teardrops start,
Sowing in hope till the reapers come
Gladly to gather the harvest home:
Oh, what shall the harvest be?

INVOCATION:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and profitable to this people, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

APOSTLE CAREY: Please turn to the Twelfth Chapter of Matthew, Verse Thirty-four:

"—For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

Matthew 7:20:

"Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

What are men thinking about today?

What are the thoughts that occupy the minds of the people of this world today?

"That is the question which came to my mind as I was thinking over this subject.

Jesus says:

"Out of the ABUNDANCE of the heart the mouth speaketh."

And I asked myself, "What is in the hearts of men and women today?"

What are the thoughts that occupy, for the most part, the hearts of men throughout this wide world?

It is of the heart of man that I wish to speak today. I may say a number of things, but the pith of the whole matter, the core of it, is THE HEART OF MAN, and with what that heart is occupied—for what the heart ponders over, that it is which will be brought forth by the man in his words and in his actions.

It depends a great deal—I say more than that—it depends altogether as to the condition of the heart of men and women, spiritually speaking; it depends upon that as to the welfare, or otherwise, of this old world of ours.

Just as the hearts of men go, so will the world go. If the hearts of men tend toward evil, then, of course, you can see what that means. If you have studied the history of the nations of the world in all times, you can easily see what it means. If that be the case, then it is a poor outlook for this old world of ours.

The World Can be Righted Only by a Righteous People

On the other hand, if this world is to be righted—for it is not right today; it is a long way from being right—if it is to be righted, then somehow, in some way, by somebody or by some people, the hearts of men have to be reached and turned from sin and wicked ways to the ways of righteousness and truth.

You may say, "Oh, it is a big task"—and that is what men are saying today; that is what these old apostate ministers say today about Zion: "Oh, they are attempting to do something beyond their reach. They are trying to have a city—a city they can never obtain. They will never do it. They are beyond their time altogether. They have mistaken the time they are living in; they think they are over yonder at the end of the Millennium. What is the good of bothering about these things that ZION teaches today! Let them go on their way, and we will go ours—the common-sense way. We will leave ZION alone."

That is the way they are talking today; that is the way they will continue to talk; and that is the way they talked in the time of Noah and in the time of Sodom and Gomorrah. Noah was crazy, and so was Lot, and so was John Alexander Dowie.

John the Baptist was crazy—and why?

Why?

Because the leaders of the people, forsooth, would not accept him nor recognize him—and was not that enough? They rejected him, and therefore he was crazy.

What was John the Baptist? He said he was "the voice of one crying in the wilderness." But the people rejected him and put him aside; and later he was killed by the wicked king because he dared to stand up and rebuke him for his wickedness.

The World-wide Influence of John Alex. Dowie's Ministry

The true prophet of God will never be afraid to rebuke men, even though they be in the highest places of the world.

John Alexander Dowie was never afraid to do it. He did it in Australia. He called to task men occupying high positions. Was he afraid? If he had thought about men, he would have been afraid! If he had been an ordinary man, probably he would have been afraid, but he was a man who was sent of God. He had a message given to him! His heart was full of that message, and out of the abundance of his heart his mouth spoke.

I say to you today that we have to have our hearts on fire for God, and then we will say something that is worth listening to; and the world will listen. The world has listened, and the world will listen again!

So I say again, going back to John Alexander Dowie, he was a man of God. He had a great and wonderful message, and his heart knew only the one thing, and that was to preach THE KINGDOM OF GOD—and to preach it with all the power that God gave him. You have seen the results: this people was brought into existence.

A little nation was born of the thoughts of the heart of a man—the heart of a man who was filled with the power of God and with the message of God.

His thoughts were Godward!

Because, as I have said, out of the abundance of his heart, he achieved something!

Now, there are men who are full of enthusiasm on the side of evil—and they work hard at it. You know they do!

In politics men will do evil things in order to accomplish their ends, and they are very enthusiastic about it; and in business men are enthusiastic—enthusiastic about making money; and they are enthusiastic about their pleasures. And so they advertise, and they think, and they put their brains to working, and their hearts are set upon one thing—whether it is politics, whether it is business, whether it is pleasure. That is why they fill the theaters to the doors, night after night, week after week, year after year.

There are theaters galore in the great city of Chicago, in London, in New York, in Melbourne, and everywhere else.

Oh, what a sight!

What a terrible thing!

The Need of Witnessing Against Sin in High and Low Places

Card-playing, theaters full of people, dance-halls everywhere!—sin in high and low places: sin in the houses of Parliament—I should say so. John Alexander Dowie found that out in his early days there in Australia. He found that men dared to sit in the high places in Parliament and work for the confidence of the people, when their hearts were full of corruption and sin; and, therefore, he rebuked them.

Sin everywhere!

Oh, how busy Satan is!

How busy are the men of today on the side of error and wickedness! Yes, they are busy all the time. They are enthusiastic on the side of evil, alas!

It is too true that there is more enthusiasm on the side of evil than on the side of good and of godliness.

We are Christians, but we have to recognize this fact; and if we recognize it, then, brethren, shall we not see to it that our hearts are right with God, and that our hearts are, as the Psalmist says, "inditing a good matter"?

My heart is inditing a good matter: . . . my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.—Psalm 45:1.

What for?

To think good things, to write good things, and to talk good things—that is what is needed today.

We need men and women enthused for righteousness; we need them who leave the things of the devil to the devil, and go far from them and walk not therein; we need men who have the power of God in their lives.

Oh, the joy of it all when a man keeps close to God!

Men and women here today, we are all too far from God—every one of us. But we can get nearer to Him; and when we do that, we shall have the power that comes from the throne of God.

It will come into our beings!

It will take hold of our minds and hearts and lives, and we shall be enthused for righteousness; and there will be no room for Satan in our thoughts; there will be no room for Satan in our minds; there will be no need for exhorting the people to love each other.

There will be love—love for every man; love for the fallen—so great that we will be ready to pick him up, put him on his feet, and help him forward; love that will cover a multitude of sins, and that will shed the tear for those who do wrong and give the right hand to them to help them Godward, upward, Heavenward,—and not downward.

These are the things that we need to think about, and the things that should occupy our minds.

Every Christian to be Impelled to Faithful Service

It is a great subject, and a great deal could be said—much more than will be said this afternoon.

It is a wonderful subject!

It is a thrilling one!

It is one that should fill our hearts and our lives, and impel us onward in the path of the Christian; it is one that should take

away from our thoughts and minds things that are not of God, and that do not belong to THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Oh, how ignorant some people are about God and about His ways!

How ignorant you and I are, even in ZION!

Some of us are very ignorant about ZION and ZION's ways, and so we fall into error through ignorance.

My brethren, what we want is Divine wisdom from above; that Divine understanding that comes down to men who seek these things; and this Divine wisdom and understanding will enlighten our minds and lives, so that we can see things in a different way from what we have seen them before.

There are many men today who are very earnest about their philosophies, for instance,—about their teachings; and if earnestness will take people to Heaven, a good many people will get there. Crowds of people will go to Heaven if it is going to be on that basis.

Saul of Tarsus was very earnest, was he not? Yes, he was very earnest against the Christians. He was mad. He says himself, "I was exceedingly mad against them." He persecuted them and helped to put them to death. He says:

Many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against them.

And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled them to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even unto strange cities.—Acts 26:10, 11.

Luke says, in Acts 8:3, that Saul "made havoc of the church;" and why did he do all this?

He did it because he was terribly in earnest; but the trouble was, he was on the wrong track; and what God has to do with a man like that is to get hold of him and turn him around.

There are many fine men in the world today who are not in ZION; and they are clean, good men, too. But they do not see as ZION does. They are not even Christians, some of them. They do not understand that Jesus is the Christ, but they are in earnest and they are serious.

What has to be done?

We cannot settle the thing just there and let it go. That will never do. We cannot take the position, as do some people, "Oh, well, they are in earnest;" and just let them alone.

Some people say, when you talk about sending out missionaries: "I wouldn't do that! What is the good of going and telling these people they are wrong? They are innocent; they don't know they are doing wrong—let them alone!"

What nonsense that is!

If that is right, the poor old world does not have to be taught any better, and if you are in ignorance, you had better just stay ignorant, because the moment the truth presents itself to you, you are made responsible; and it would be better to remain ignorant than to assume the responsibility.

Well, that is not the Word of God, and it is not common sense.

What we have to do, by the grace of God, is to ring out our message against sin in high and in low places—against sin here and sin there; against intemperance of all kinds; against the theater; against the devilish card-playing and the dancing halls.

Hyphenated Christians Worthless in the Kingdom of God

We are to fight against every kind of evil. We have to take our stand and ring out our message from a full heart!

We cannot do it unless our hearts are right, though!

We cannot do it if we are half-and-half!

As Apostle Darms points out in his article (LEAVES OF HEALING, Vol. 37, No. 8), you are no good if you are a Hyphenated Christian. You cannot do anything! That is true, is it not? Is it going too far?

You say, "Oh, well, that is putting aside a great many people."

That is true!

As Apostle Darms points out in his article, what did President Wilson say in reference to Hyphenated Americans?

What did Roosevelt say?

They both say the same thing!

They say, "Let them go! If they have come over here and are not going to be Americans, let them go! We would not have allowed them to come over here if we had known they just

wanted to be half-and-half—German-Americans, English-Americans, or something-else-Americans. If that is the idea, they are of no use here at all."

Why?

Because you cannot do anything with a man whose heart is divided!

You will find that to be true everywhere!

It is true of an army. What is the good of having an army where one-third of them have their hearts over with the enemy? Why, if they have a chance they will go over to the other side.

What would the leaders do with them if they knew that to be the case, and if they showed their hand? They would shoot them.

We should be whole-hearted!

You see, when men are right with God, they think about these things—about being whole-hearted for God. I thank God for the ministry that ZION has. We have a General Overseer whose heart is on ONE THING; there is no division in his heart. His heart is on THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

He wants every man and woman in ZION to be whole-hearted, and he grieves for every man and woman who shows weakness along that line. It would be a grief to any leader; if it is not, he is no leader.

And so it is with the rest of us who are officers. We are only poor, imperfect men. Like the fishermen of olden times, we are only simple men; but if the power of God gets into our lives, we can DO SOMETHING, by the grace of God—because it is not we who speak, but it is the Holy Spirit who speaks through us.

Impossible for Man to Serve God and Mammon

My brothers and sisters, it is your privilege to have a heart that is not divided between God and Mammon—for it is written, "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon."

You have heard that many times.

There is power in those words every time you read them.

I want you to notice that Jesus Christ used the word, "CANNOT." He did not qualify it one iota. He did not beat about the bush and say something afterwards or something before to ease the position.

I want you to notice what He said!

It has been said before, and I say it again as God's servant here today: "YE CANNOT—"

Do you know what that means?

It means what it says—just exactly what it says: that it is impossible for you, for me, to serve God and to try to serve Mammon at the same time.

Try it!

Will you dare to try it?

Will I dare to try it, in the face of the Word of God?

I may go ahead and try it, but I will find out, by bitter experience, that it is impossible to do it—and so will you.

You had better hearken to the Word of God!

Oh, my brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, the Master is coming; and we do not know how soon it will be before He is here.

I want every one of you, this afternoon, to bow down before God and worship Him—and Him alone!

God knows the thoughts of every man and woman here.

What would be the result if we could go through this company and take out this one here and that one there, and put this one on this side and that one on that side?

Where would you be? Where would I be?

Oh, that we may think over these things, and not be high-minded!

We may be right today, brethren, but wrong tomorrow!

Terrible Evils Follow Those Who Forsake God

King Uzziah was right one day, but he got away from God another day.

What is the story of Uzziah? It is this: He was a man of God, it is said, like as his father was; and his heart—I am talking of the heart today. Everything has to be settled by the condition of a man's heart spiritually. His heart was right, and it is said that he grew in strength and was helped wonderfully, and he became strong.

But it is said that his heart became "lifted up"—lifted up to his destruction.

So it is with us—we may be humble today, as was Uzziah; and then it may be that our hearts will turn and, as it is said, be “lifted up.” We may turn from God in our pride and make a great mistake, as Uzziah did; for he went into the house of God and tampered with things sacred—things which were for the priests alone. Then the priest came to him and said:

“Uzziah, go out of the sanctuary, for you have made a great mistake. Your heart has been lifted up. You have forgotten God.” He told him, in effect, that his heart was not right; and what took place?

Instead of immediately going from the House of God; instead of acknowledging his sin—as we all must do if we want to be right with God—instead of doing that, he became angry. His pride was up, and he did not like to be interfered with; he did not want to be dictated to. As they looked upon him, the leprosy rose up on his forehead; and then he did not wait to be taken out—he wanted to be taken out himself.

Ah, he had made a great mistake, and God had permitted the leprosy to strike him for his sin!

My erring brother, my erring sister, how is thy heart?

Is it right with God?

Answer the question!

Oh, if you are not right with God—I do not care if you do sit there and appear to be righteous—get right now!

Are you on God's side? That is the question!

Are you wholly on God's side?

Is your heart afire for God, or are you thinking about other things beside God—that is to say, are your affections on other things?

The Affections of God's People to be Only Heavenward

Are you trying to have your affections on God and on the things of this earth at the same time?

If you told the truth, you would have to say that your heart was on the things of this earth, because it is either in one place or the other. That is what God's Word says!

Your heart is where your treasure is!

Oh, the salvation that has come to you, brethren!

I talk to you, ZION men and women! You have been saved—oh, what have you been saved from?

You have been saved from sin!

Oh, think of the sinners outside in the world today!—in Chicago, in these great cities, in the rural districts, on the farms—I do not care whether it is the farm or the city, although the cities are worse than the farms.

There is sin everywhere!

Think about the sinners today, and ask yourself where you would be if ZION had not gotten hold of you!

What have you been saved from?

Answer the question!

Have you not been saved from the abominable theater-going? You used to go to the theater, did you not? You used to do a number of things that were not right, did you not? Then what happened?

Why, you heard the voice of Jesus saying, “Come unto Me!” and you came. You listened to His wonderful voice, that voice entered into your heart, and you gave yourself to God—you were saved.

Yes, and what else?

You were suffering in body. Oh, how you suffered with that disease with which you were afflicted! But when you came to Jesus as you were, He not only saved you in your spirit, but He healed you of that terrible disease, and today you are here in health and strength: but are you serving God?

That is the question!

You are here with a body that is healthy and strong—how is your spirit? How is your heart?

Where is your heart today?

Men and women,—you who have been saved and healed and blessed so wonderfully—where are you today?

Where is your heart?

You remember the story of the lepers, do you not? There were ten of them. Jesus told them to go, and as they went they were healed—all of them; and how many of them came back to thank their Lord?

Only one!

“Were there not ten cleansed?” said the Master, as He looked around in wonder and grief.

Yes, there were—but only one poor man came back to give thanks.

Is your life a life of thanksgiving today, my brother, my sister?

Is your heart on fire for your Savior?

Do you remember what He did for you, or have you forgotten?

The Christian to be on his Guard Daily Against Temptation

Have the things of this world gained a hold on you, so that, as I am talking to you, your heart is cold and hard, and does not respond to the earnest pleadings today?

Oh, is that so?

Then may God have mercy upon you!

Oh, that the power of God might strike your heart and break it, and that instead of the heart of stone which you have today, the heart of flesh might be given to you! God grant it!

That is what we want today—a heart filled with the love of God.

Oh, when you think of what God has done for you, why do you let Satan cripple you and hamper you and keep you down?

GET UP, and get back to God, and regain the power which you had at one time.

Get back to God!

“Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh:” and “By their fruits ye shall know them.”

I was talking about Saul of Tarsus a little while ago, and I was expressing the thought that men had to be changed by the power of God, so that they would see things in a different way.

Now, you know, that is what happened to Saul. He was an earnest man, even when he persecuted the Christians. Jesus Christ simply had to cross that man on his road to Damascus and strike him down and humiliate him.

God had to bring Saul to his senses. He was a man who was full of enthusiasm, but he was in error.

What we have to do, ZION, is to get people to see things in the right way.

The Faithful and Elect not Deceived by Satan's Delusions

Think of the people who have been deceived by this horrible deception, Christian Science, which the General Overseer has brought prominently before the public recently. Just think of them! They are in earnest—why, of course, they are; and they think they are right.

The reason so many have gotten away from God and gone into that thing is because they were not right with God.

I can understand how a man who has not loved God and who suddenly comes up against Christian Science gets deceived by its teaching; but when a man who has loved God becomes a Christian Scientist, it seems to me that it is because he has not been right with God.

If you are right with God, you will never be deceived. That is the Word of God.

If you and I keep close to God, then we are safe—we dwell “in the secret place of the Most High,” and “shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.”

If you are “under the shadow of the Almighty,” Christian Science, so-called, nor any other horrible deception—and there are many of them today, God knows!—will not deceive you.

It is becoming more and more necessary that we shall have men and women who will stand up for what is right, and whose hearts will be on fire for God—whose hearts God has touched, just as He touched the hearts of those men who went with Saul that day when he was crowned king. He was God's anointed, and they went with him, although they were the sons of Belial. God touched their hearts, and they were in upison with him at that time.

Yes, and so today, brethren, we are ONE, thank God! and there is harmony here in these hundreds of hearts that love God and love ZION. We can take each other by the hand and know there is no hypocrisy there, but that the heart behind the hand is true.

That is how it should be, and it will be more and more in ZION.

Brethren, let us think well of each other!

Think all the good you can!

Cast out all that is of Satan!

Cast out all unkindness and the words that do no good, but which do you harm to say them. When you say unkind things, they hurt you.

No Place so Full of Blessing as Zion

Let us do what is good and speak what is good, and praise those who love God.

That should be our attitude. Then what a beautiful family ZION would be.

It is a beautiful family today. There is no other family like it in the world, and you know that what I say is true. We are not perfect—we never will be perfect. Even in Heaven, we will go on and on in perfection's ways. But there is a perfection to which God's people may attain, and can attain, by the blessing and power of God.

I thank God for ZION today. There is no place like it in the world, and you ZION men and women here know it and thank God for it in your hearts today.

Why is that true? Because your hearts are for God, and because my heart was for God, imperfect though it was, I took my stand for ZION; because the servant of God showed me the evils that existed in the religious organization with which I was connected, I looked into these things. My heart, as I have said, though very imperfect, had one yearning—and that was, to serve God.

I can say truthfully that I have always wanted to serve Him and to do what He wanted me to do, by His grace; and though imperfection has followed me all along my path, I can still say—and I want every man and woman here to be in the place where he and she can say it—that I am in God's hands, and that my heart's thought is to serve Him.

That is what I want today!

That is what the message is for!

A HEART RELIGION!

I want to know that the power of God has gained a place in your heart, and is holding it like a vise; and if it has not, why then, brother or sister, you are not where you ought to be and if that is my case, then I am not where God wants me to be.

You will find in the past and in the present men who have been and men who are today given up to one great thought, and who have tried and are trying to do all within their power to bring about the desire of their heart.

That is the Christian's life today!

Chaos Complete Awaiting the Nations in Rebellion Against God

O my brothers and sisters, think of the ways in which men are walking today—commercially, socially, religiously, and politically! What an awful muddle! But out of this chaos—and let me tell you that there is going to be more chaos. What is taking place today is nothing to what will take place by and by. We will have chaos *complete*, if I may put it that way.

God's Word plainly declares and makes known to us the conditions that will exist and what this poor old world will have to face.

Think, think of the awful loss of life in this European war!

Shame to the men who are responsible for it!

Do you think they will escape?

No! God will judge them for their unrighteousness.

What has been the cause of it?

You saw in "The Theocrat" Mr. Henry Ford's opinion about it. He says, in his opinion, that if we were to do away with capital today, we would have no war tomorrow—in other words, that this war is simply the result of greed; and he is right.

What will not men do for money?

Brethren, ask yourselves that question!

The greatest curse on this earth today is MONEY—that is, the way in which it is handled. Money can do a vast amount of good, as you know; and, thank God, that is what ZION is after!

ZION is small today. ZION is having her struggle, but that is all right. God intends it to be so. God is just working it all out, and He is waiting His own time—and the more we measure up to God's standard, the greater the blessings will be.

ZION will come out on top!

That is God's Word!

You had better stick to ZION, brothers and sisters, if you want to know what true happiness is, and if you want to be where God can bless you.

Oh, for God's sake do not think more of your miserable

houses and lands than you do of Him! Why, in a few years you will

.....Gather up your feet

And die your fathers' God to meet.

Do you not know that?

Only a few more years!

Why, they are passing beyond all the time; and by and by it will be your turn and my turn.

What then?

Oh, then shall we be able to say, with joy, that, though imperfect, we have loved God and ZION, and that it was in our hearts to do all we could for ZION, even though we did not attain to the place to which we might have attained because of our imperfections?

Loving our Neighbor Must be the Result of our Love to God

That is what we want: ZION men and women who love God—men and women whose hearts are right with Him; whose affections are not divided between God and Mammon—between God and the things of this world.

There are numbers of things I should like to say, and numbers of passages of Scripture I could read to you, but I am going to close in a few minutes.

I have spoken from my heart this afternoon, because my heart has indited these things and they have been on my heart; because my heart loves God, and because I want you to love God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength,—and thy neighbor as thyself.

"On these two commandments," said Jesus, "hang all the law and the prophets."

Yes, there is the whole thing!

Where is your heart?

Do you love God?

If you do, then you will love your neighbor.

Is your heart centered upon God? If it is, then you will do right to your brother and your sister, whatever it may mean.

I shall say a few words here to Philip and the Eunuch, and of their experience in Samaria.

I have spoken to you about Saul of Tarsus, who became a changed man. Jesus Christ met him—and the man who was enthusiastic against the Church of God became one of the most enthusiastic men that ever lived for the Church of God. He was a wonderful man.

Now, here in the same chapter which tells about Saul of Tarsus, another man is spoken of, by the name of Philip, and God was in his heart. He went down to Samaria and preached, and as he preached the people listened to him and saw what God enabled him to do in the healing of the people. We are told that there was great joy in that city.

Oh, the great joy in the heart when God comes into the home and puts it right; when God comes into the life and squares it; when God comes into the heart and makes things right, and helps us, and saves us, and heals us!

What joy!

Yes, there is joy; and you ought to bring joy to others. But you cannot bring joy to others unless your heart is full of God—"for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

God Seeking to Create a People with Undivided Hearts

You cannot say anything that will help any one unless your heart is set on God. There will be no power in it.

If you have your heart set on a farm or on a house, or on a certain position in life, instead of on God, it will be of no use for you to try to help any one, because Jesus tells us that our hearts cannot be divided. You may think that you can do it, but you cannot.

What God wants is to build up a church—a people—whose hearts will not be divided, but who will follow wholly after God with all they have and all they are.

Why, it should be nothing for us to bring all that we have and put it down at the feet of Christ.

Would that be too hard?

Returning to the story of Philip—he preached in Samaria, and there was a man called Simon who listened to what he had to say and wondered at the great things that were being done by the power of the Holy Spirit. He joined himself to Philip, and it is said that he *believed*.

Now, it is one thing to say that you believe—but it is another thing really to BELIEVE.

Let us see whether his belief brought forth something that was good, and whether he was on the right ground.

What happened?

By and by, Peter comes along, and he lays his hands on those there and they receive the Holy Ghost. Simon looks on, and he is wondering mightily. He comes up to Peter and says: "Here is some money; I will give it to you if you give me in return the power that you have."

Was he on the right track?

Where was his heart?

What sort of a religion was that?

It was the devil's religion, was it not?—because the devils believe, you know.

They know Jesus, do they not? Yes, they do.

Did they not call out sometimes, when they saw Him? They recognized Him, and He rebuked them; He told them to keep still.

Mammon Worship, the Substance of the Devil's Religion

Now, Simon had the devil's religion. He had not been converted; his heart was not right.

What was he thinking about in his heart? He wanted power. He had been a man who had had some power among the people by his trickery and his sorceries; but when he saw that his followers had gone to join themselves with Philip and Peter, he decided to go with them. It was a matter of policy, I suppose.

That is why some people belong to the churches today—it is policy to go to church; and when they find that it is better to go to the Presbyterian church than to the Methodist church, they make the change.

They are a curse, wherever they are, and the church (that is, they think it is a church) is cursed, too. The so-called churches are full of them!

God has finished with the abominable organizations, and has spewed them out of His mouth!

God calls His people out of Babylon today!

"Come out of her, My people," He says, "that ye be not partakers of her sins."

Come out! And may God give you and give me the power so to live that we may be used, in His hands, to save many of God's dear children from these abominable organizations!

Yes, Simon offered money to Peter that he might receive power to impart the Holy Ghost—by the laying on of his hands—and what did Peter say to him?

"THY MONEY PERISH WITH THEE!"

Thank God for Peter—a man filled with the power of God, who was not going to be bought by money.

What happened to Ananias—the miserable deceiver and hypocrite? He was stricken down dead by the Holy Spirit when Peter spoke to him.

Beware, brethren! Beware of money!

Beware of your earthly possessions, my brothers and sisters! Oh, beware!

I am talking about serious things!

I am saying these things to men and women to live forever—either in Heaven or in hell—according to the Word of God.

"Thy money perish with thee!"

"Thy heart," Peter said, "is not right in the sight of God." That is what he told Simon!

Where are you today?

Ah, let us have God's love and power, and, like Philip, let us go on to our work filled with the power of God.

Multitudes Waiting for the Unfolding of God's Word

Philip continued on his way, and he saw a eunuch coming along in his carriage—an Ethiopian; and the Spirit said to Philip, "Go and join yourself to him."

Ah, God will give you the opportunity to do good if your heart is right! If Philip's heart had been on the things of this world, that Ethiopian would have gone on his way and never have been helped. He might have died without the knowledge of God.

But Philip's heart was right. God's Spirit spoke, and immediately Philip's spirit responded; and he went over to the Ethiopian's carriage and said, "Understandest thou what thou readest?"

"Well," said the Eunuch, "I am reading in the book of the Prophet Isaiah, but I do not understand it."

Then he asked Philip to come up and sit with him, and he said, "Does the prophet speak here of himself, or is he talking of some one else? I want to know."

Now, there was a man whose heart was turned toward God. He wanted to learn of God, and he was reading the Word, but he did not understand.

Brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, there are millions of people today who read the Word of God, but who do not understand it—it has no meaning to them; and the ministers (God have mercy upon them!) are not shedding any light upon their way. No; they are keeping the light from them. There is only darkness before the people.

This Eunuch wanted light.

You have opportunities given to you, and so have I; but we will not have them given to us unless, first of all, we are right with God.

Zion's ministry must be right with God, and the deacons must be right with God, and the laymen must be right with God.

Then, when we are right with God and our hearts are not divided between God and the miserable things of this world—for they are miserable compared with the things of Heaven, although they can be used and made glorious and beautiful in God's service. Yes, they can. That house, that land, that money, can become beautiful in the sight of God, if it is taken and placed at the feet of Jesus for His service.

And so Philip told him the way, and he listened, and his heart took it all in.

He was waiting for it, and the man was there to help him.

Will you be there to help?

There is somebody waiting for you in Chicago!

There is somebody yonder waiting for you—it may be in New York, brothers and sisters; it may be in London; it may be in Australia.

They are everywhere. There may not be very many, perhaps, but they are there, and they are waiting to understand.

Zion Entrusted With the Commission to Proclaim the Gospel

Zion is the only organization today that can make them understand many things; and it is for you and me to go forward and tell them, and take them by the hand and lead them to God, and up to Zion's hill.

Then how happy the Ethiopian was; and as they went along the road they came to some water, and he said to Philip, "See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?"

He did not need an exhortation to be baptized.

His heart was given to God, and he was full of joy. Out they stepped and went into the water, and he was baptized.

Then the Spirit of God took Philip away, but the Eunuch went on his way rejoicing in His God for the salvation that had come to him.

May God help us to be a blessing to humanity!

ZION, give yourselves to God today—spirit and soul and body, with all that you have; and you shall have thirty-fold, sixty-fold—aye, one hundred-fold blessing in this life, and, in the life to come, LIFE EVERLASTING. Amen.

The CHOIR then sang in RECESSIONAL—"FADING, STILL FADING."

Fading, still fading, the last beam is shining;

Father in Heaven, the day is declining.

Safety and innocence fly with the light,

Temptation and danger walk forth with the night.

From the fall of the shade till the morning bells chime

Shield me from danger, save me from crime.

REFRAIN.—

Father, have mercy, Father, have mercy,

Father, have mercy, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord.

Father in Heaven, oh, hear when we call;

Hear for Christ's sake, Who is Savior of all.

Feeble and fainting, we trust in Thy might;

In doubting and darkness, Thy love be our light.

Let us sleep on Thy breast when the night-taper burns,

Wake in Thy arms when morning returns.

BENEDICTION BY APOSTLE CAREY

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God the Father, and the sweet fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all, and all of God's children everywhere. Amen.

By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them

I. ZION INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRIES.

These Institutions and Industries have made a record that should inspire confidence in every officer, member, and friend of Zion.

The work of raising additional working capital in order to take care of the rapidly increasing volume of business has just begun.

Have you responded? Or is your talent (your money) out in the world being used for the world, the flesh, and the devil?

Zion people throughout the world should, within a few hours after reading "Leaves of Healing," gather every available dollar and put it into these Institutions and Industries where it will be used in God's work, for the honor and glory of His Name.

Let there be such a response—such a consecration—as will cause rejoicing in Heaven and strike terror to the devil and all of his hosts!

"A City for God!" is a slogan that the devil does not like.

II. THE ZION ESTATE.

The speedy gathering of Zion people into Zion at Headquarters, and the settlement of as many families as possible on the farms, will mean great things accomplished in many ways.

TODAY, Zion people have the golden opportunity of purchasing one of the farms of the Zion Estate—hundreds of acres are now being offered for from \$85.00 up to \$225.00 per acre.

These farms are sold to Zion people, and to Zion people only, under the Eleven Hundred Year Lease, which has been drawn so as to afford protection to all Zion people—to those who want a Zion City in deed and in truth and who are determined to have a Zion City at all costs.

The Zion Estate was purchased by me for Zion people, and must, as quickly as possible, be gotten into the hands of Zion people.

God is calling you!

You should answer the call TODAY; tomorrow may be too late.

We cannot pray for the sale of your outside property if you are asking more than it is worth; and this, we know, is true in some cases. It is a sin against God to ask \$5000 for a property which is not worth, from any standpoint, more than \$3500. It is a sin against God to ask \$75 an acre for a farm when it is not worth one cent more than \$60 an acre. Wherever Zion people are committing this sin, there is no use to pray, for God will not answer.

Let Zion people ask what their property is worth and no more; and if Zion people are in earnest, and want to have the spiritual, educational, and many other advantages of living in and near a Zion City, they will even be willing to make sacrifices in order to get here.

May God immediately help all Zion people to take these things seriously to heart, and help each one to realize that he will have to answer to God in the Day of Judgment for the use of every talent!

Let us hear from you AT ONCE!

—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

Interesting Bible Facts

The learned Prince of Grenada, heir to the Spanish throne, imprisoned by order of the Crown for fear he should aspire to the throne, was kept in solitary confinement in the old prison at the Place of Skulls, Madrid. After thirty-three years in this living tomb death came to his release, and the following researches taken from the Bible and marked with an old nail on the rough walls of his cell told how the brain sought employment through the weary years:

In the Old Testament.	New Testament	Total
Books 39	27	66
Chapters 920	266	1,195
Verses 23,214	7,959	31,173
Words 592,493	181,253	773,746
Letters 2,728,100	838,380	3,566,480

The middle chapter and the shortest in the Bible is Psalm 117.

The middle verse in the Bible is Psalm 118:8.

The word "and" occurs in the Old Testament 10,684 times.

The word "Jehovah" occurs 6,855 times.

In the Bible the word "Lord" is found 1,853 times.

"Reverend" occurs but once and that in Psalm 111:9.

The middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs.

The middle chapter is Job 29.

The middle verse is II. Chronicles 20:13.

The shortest verse is I. Chron. 1:25; the longest Esther 8:9.

All the letters of the alphabet are in Ezra 7:21, except F and J.

II. Kings 19 and Isaiah 37 are alike.

The book of Esther contains 10 chapters, but neither the word "Lord" nor "God" are to be found in it.

The middle book of the New Testament is II. Thessalonians.

The middle chapter is between Romans 13 and 14.

The middle verse is Acts 17:17.

The shortest verse is John 11:35.

In Psalm 107, four verses are alike—the 8, 15, 21, and 31.

Acts of the Apostles 26 is the finest chapter to read.

Psalm 23 is regarded as the most beautiful chapter.

The four most inspiring promises in the Bible are John 14:2, John 6:37; St. Matthew 11:28 and Psalm 37:4.

The Fate of the Apostles

St. Matthew was martyred in a city in Ethiopia.

St. Mark was dragged through the streets of Alexandria, in Egypt, till he expired.

St. Luke was hanged upon an olive tree in Greece.

St. John, after having been put in a caldron of boiling oil at Rome, and receiving no hurt, died a natural death at Ephesus, in Asia.

St. Peter was crucified at Rome, and according to his request, with his head downward, thinking himself unworthy to die in the posture which his Lord had died.

St. James the Great was beheaded at Jerusalem.

St. James the Less was thrown from a pinnacle of the temple and beaten to death with a fullar's club.

St. Phillip was hanged against a pillar at Hierapolis, a city in Phrygia, till he expired.

St. Thomas was pierced through the body with a lance, at Corarandel, in the East Indies.

St. Bartholomew met his death by being flayed alive.

St. Jude was shot to death with arrows.

St. Simeon, the zealot, was crucified in Persia.

St. Andrew was bored to a cross, from which he preached till he expired.

St. Matthias was first stoned and afterward beheaded.

St. Barnabas was stoned to death by the Jews at Salamis.

St. Paul the great Apostle to the Gentiles, was beheaded at Rome by the Tyrant Nero.

Such was the fate of the first preachers of the Gospel of peace, according to tradition and the best accounts we have of their end, and truly they were "Sent forth as sheep among wolves."

RESTORATION WORK

CHINA

Following is the report of Restoration Work, sent in by Apostle Francis M. Royall, Shanghai, China, for the month of March, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold610
 "Leaves of Healing" given52
 "Theocrats" sold22
 "Theocrats" given737
 English Messages given670
 I-Yeh-Pao sold1351
 Messages and Invitations
 to meetings2650

Total pieces distributed6092

ILLINOIS

Deaconesses Buhmann and Schelhorn report the following Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago during one week, ending April 30, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold350
 "Leaves of Healing" given2
 "Theocrats" given244
 Messages given510

Total pieces distributed1106

Evangelist Guy K. Neal sends in the following report of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago:

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

Week ending May 1st, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold54

"Leaves of Healing" given20
 "Theocrats" given20

Total pieces distributed94

Deaconesses Buhmann and Schelhorn

Week ending May 8th, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold250
 "Leaves of Healing" given3
 "Theocrats" given412
 Messages given440

Total pieces distributed1105

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

From May 11th—13th, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold55
 "Leaves of Healing" given23
 "Theocrats" given15
 Messages given400

Total pieces distributed493

Mrs. Hinkston and Mrs. Peetz

Two weeks ending May 18th, 1916.

Calls made (Special)4

"Leaves of Healing" sold99
 "Leaves of Healing" given8
 Messages given550

Total pieces distributed657

Deaconess H. Buhmann and Deaconess B. Schelhorn

One week ending May 22nd, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold300
 "Leaves of Healing" given159
 "Theocrats" given109
 Messages given80

Total pieces distributed648

Ten Week's Subscription to
 "Leaves of Healing"1

Mrs. and Miss E. S. Heck of Zion City, Ill. sent in the following report of Restoration Work done during the year 1915:

"Leaves of Healing" mailed136
 Messages mailed821
 "Theocrats" mailed76

Total1033

NEW YORK

The following is a report of Restoration Work done in the City of New York, during the month of April, 1916, by Messrs. George V. Ballegooyen, W. Pinkett, D. V. Giesen, Mrs. Bower and Mrs. Camron:

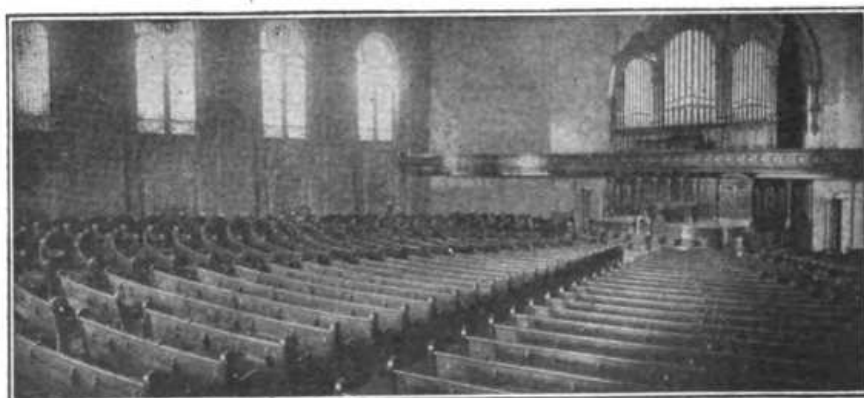
"Leaves of Healing" sold324
 "Leaves of Healing" given18
 "Theocrats" given3
 Messages given300
 Zion Banners given23
 German-English Testament given1

Total pieces distributed669
 Subscription to "Leaves of Healing" ...6



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ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Program

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By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
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Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.**GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

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The International Observance of the Feast of Tabernacles

THERE is no International Holiday being observed in the world today. It is true that every nation, from time immemorial, has sought to perpetuate the great events of their national existence by the observance of public festivals and holidays.

THE ORIGIN OF PUBLIC FESTIVALS

To illustrate the manner, in which these public festivals and holidays have arisen among the various nations, we call attention to the great public holidays, being observed by the citizens of the United States wherever the American Flag has been unfurled.

Two of these public holidays are observed in commemoration of the birth of the American Republic; one Washington's birthday, in honor of George Washington, the father of our Country; the other, the Fourth of July, in commemoration of the birth of liberty, as a result of the Revolutionary War.

Two other public holidays, in commemoration of the most important crisis through which our country has ever past, are; first Lincoln's birthday; second Memorial day, in commemoration of those who have laid themselves upon the altar of the country and shed their blood for the salvation of the Union, in the time of division and disruption.

The last of our important public holidays is Thanksgiving-day, recalling the wonderful providence and mercies of Almighty God upon the early settlers of our country, in the time of terrible distress and privation.

By
APOSTLE ANTON DARMS



"AND it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles."

Zechariah 14:16

While it is proper and important that the citizens of our great Commonwealth observe these national holidays, the events, commemorated thereby, are not of great importance to other nations, and so it is that the public holidays of each nation are confined within its own borders, and these change as we pass from one country to another.

NO INTER-NATIONAL FESTIVAL IN THE WORLD

It is true that the Christian Church, to some extent, has overcome the separation, caused between nations through racial, linguistic, ecclesiastical and historic differences. A number of most important festivals and holidays, such as Christmas, Easter and Pentecost, are being observed, more or less, in all nations, wherever the Christian faith has become predominant.

Vast masses of humanity, in China, Japan, Turkey, Africa and other portions of the world, though slightly touched by the

influence of the Gospel through the labors of faithful missionaries, have as yet taken no public recognition of the festivals and holidays celebrated by the Christian Church in other parts of the world.

Looking at the world as a whole, it portrays resemblance to the confusion of tongues, set forth in the Scriptures in connection with the ancient building of the tower of Babel. throughout the earth, there is no hope for any unification among the nations either in language, creed, politics or commerce.

The Gospel of THE KINGDOM is the only message which can

be made effective to bring about a real unity among the nations. The time will come when the kingdoms of this world will become THE KINGDOM of our Lord and His Christ, and then, and not until then, will the international observance of the Feast of Tabernacles, set forth in the Word of God, cease.

UNITY AMONG THE NATIONS BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE THEOCRACY

As long as satan is in control of humanity, and sin prevalent Has it ever occurred to the mind of the reader that God has made provision in His Word for the observance of an international festival, in which every nation will participate in extolling the goodness and mercies, the providence and loving kindness of Jehovah to the children of men?

No one can read the 14th chapter of the book of Zechariah without realizing that one of the seven great festivals, observed by the Jews from the time of their emancipation from the Egyptian bondage, the Feast of Tabernacles, is of such universal importance that every nation throughout all the earth will be commanded by Jehovah, at their peril, to keep the Feast of Tabernacles and to worship the King, the Lord of hosts.

There is only one way to unite the nations of the earth, not by the cementing of blood, as has been done in the building of some great empires, not by centering the interest of nations around the hero of any one particular nation, no matter how great or worthy that person may have been and no matter how far reaching for the good of humanity his influence may have been; true unity among the nations will only come to pass when they have come to see that Jehovah, the Lord of hosts, is alike interested in them all and is seeking, through His plan of redemption, to lift the curse and ban of evil from every land throughout the earth.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES PERPETUATED DURING THE MILLENNIUM

The fact that the Feast of Tabernacles stands out among all other feasts mentioned in the Word of God as the one to be perpetuated throughout the millennium, should cause every child of God throughout the entire Christian Church to make themselves acquainted with the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles, as recorded in the Old and New Testaments.

Special attention, in studying the subject of the Feast of Tabernacles, should be given to the following Scriptures: Exodus 23:16, Leviticus 23:34-36, 39-43; Numbers 29:12-38; Deuteronomy 16:13-15, 31:10-13; Nehemiah 8:15-17; Zechariah 14:16-19; and also the entire 7th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John.

No one who especially realizes the near coming of the Christ, to set up His reign upon the earth, can afford to be ignorant of the teaching given in the Word of God, regarding the Feast of Tabernacles.

It is strange indeed, that the teaching regarding the restored observance of the Feast of Tabernacles should entirely have passed out of the vision of the Church. Nowhere in the world today except in ZION have God's people been given assured teaching on the important observance of the Feast of Tabernacles.

It is not our purpose, in this article, to give any lengthy discussion regarding the institution and observance of the Feast of Tabernacles among the Jews, as recorded in the Old Testament. Let it be sufficient to state that the Feast of Tabernacles, being the last of the seven Feasts, kept by the Jews, was the most joyous of all, because it summed up, as it were, all the spiritual and material, the temporal and eternal blessings which God had vouchsafed to His chosen people, when He called them as the heirs of Abraham to leave Egypt behind, and to enter upon the possession of the promised land.

The Feast of Tabernacles, instituted at the beginning of the forty year's wilderness journey and observed from year to year, records, on the one hand, the unbelief and unfaithfulness of God's chosen people, when confronted with great trials and discouragement, particularly with reference to the supply of food and water.

Study Exodus 15:23-25, 16:14-35; 17:5-7, and Numbers 20:7-10.

On the other hand we see, from the study of these events, in which God supplied manna from Heaven and water from the rock, to satisfy the hunger and thirst of all the people, that the Feast of Tabernacles records the wonderful loving-kindness,

patience and endurance of Jehovah, towards a stiff-necked and rebellious people.

MATERIAL BLESSINGS TO BE DEPENDENT UPON THE COVENANT OF REDEMPTION

The Feast of Tabernacles, representing the great harvest feast of the grain, the vintage and the fruit of the land, brought prominently before the minds of old and young in Israel from year to year, the fact that Jehovah is not only the Creator of all the earth, but also that He is the perpetual Provider, supplying their material needs from day to day and from year to year throughout all generations. Furthermore, the great fact of redemption was impressed particularly in the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles in order to teach the people of God, that the giving of God and the obtaining of material blessings by the people is based upon the covenant of redemption.

It is in this respect that the children of Israel stand out prominently above all other nations; that in their individual, family, social, industrial and national life Jehovah shall be supreme and the laws and commandments, given by Him, shall be closely adhered to.

National prosperity can only be obtained through national redemption. National redemption can only be assured through the observance of the types and symbols, set forth in the Tabernacle, with its ritual and sacrifices, foreshadowing the coming Messiah, the Redeemer promised to Abraham and his heirs.

In the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles the children of Israel were not only to be mindful of the temporal blessings God provided for them during their wilderness journey, but as time went on, they were taught by the prophets and seers in Israel that it was more important for them to drink from the wells of salvation and to eat of the bread of life.

And in that day thou shalt say, O Lord, I will praise Thee: though Thou wast angry with me, Thine anger is turned away, and Thou comfortedst me.

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation.

Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

And in that day shall ye say, Praise the Lord, call upon His Name, declare His doings among the people, make mention that His Name is exalted.

Sing unto the Lord; for He hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.—Isaiah 12:1-5.

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not? Harken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.

Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.

Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One in Israel; for He hath glorified thee.

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near:

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the righteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.—Isaiah 55:1-7.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES USED BY THE CHRIST FOR HIS MESSIANIC DECLARATION

The spiritual significance of the Feast of Tabernacles, in obtaining the water from the wells of salvation and the bread of life was of more importance than merely the celebration of the harvest festivals. This is apparent from the fact that the Christ, the Son of the Living God, during His earthly Ministry, singled out the Feast of Tabernacles, observed in Jerusalem, as the time and place to proclaim Himself as the true Fountain of Everlasting Life.

Now about the midst of the Feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught.

And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?

Jesus answered them and said, My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me.

If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine,

whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.—St. John 7:14-17.

In the last day, that great day of the Feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the Scripture hath said, out of His belly shall flow rivers of living water.

But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.—St. John 7:37-39.

It was at the Feast of Tabernacles when Jesus uttered one of the most wonderful invitations to the sinful, weary, troubled and burdened of humanity to come unto Him for the blessings of a full salvation.

Is there any greater Feast for one burdened with guilt than to be pardoned and forgiven through the grace of God in Christ Jesus?

Is there any greater Feast than for one afflicted with disease to be healed through the Great Physician in answer to prayer and to extol His praises?

Is there any greater Feast than for God's people to assemble together in worship, praise and prayer with humility of spirit and to consecrate themselves and their all to the service of God?

Is there any greater Feast than that Feast which has been provided by God for sinful humanity in the gift of His Dear Son to be the world's Saviour, Healer, Sanctifier and Coming King?

The nations of the world have no thought of God today. They are seeking to carve out their own destiny through man-made legislation and man-made institutions and enterprises. Such a thing as a Christian nation is unknown in the world today.

The claims made by many so-called Christian nations are too absurd for one moment's consideration from the fact that the commandments, statutes, covenants and ordinances, contained in the Word of God, are daily openly and flagrantly violated in every capital and city throughout these nations.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES RESTORED IN ZION

ZION has been raised up of God in this day and age for the purposes of bringing into existence a nation and a people to observe in every detail all of the commandments, covenants and ordinances which were perpetuated by Jesus the Christ in the founding and establishing of His KINGDOM upon the earth.

It was given of God to John Alex. Dowie to see the need of again instituting the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles.

ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles will be held shortly and it should be the privilege and duty of God's people to avail themselves of the wonderful Feast of good things, spread before them in ZION's Banqueting House, Shiloh Tabernacle.

ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles will be a spiritual harvest festival, in which the people of God will testify to the wonderful blessings of salvation, healing and cleansing through Jesus the Christ.

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It is but a little time until the Christ Himself shall come. Until then ZION will keep yearly her Feast of Tabernacles in honor and praise of Jehovah, Who instituted this Feast in Israel of old.

It will be after the coming of the Christ when He shall be the Judge of all the earth, that the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles will be instituted throughout all the earth.

PROPHECY TEACHES THE UNIVERSAL OBSERVANCE OF THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the Lord will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.—Zechariah 14:16-19.

A universal Theocracy will make place for this universal Feast, or holy day, such as the world has never seen. The Feast of Tabernacles will be observed by the nations of the earth as an evidence of their submission to the Messiah, the Theocratic King at Jerusalem.

Egypt, China, Japan and India will send their representatives to the Feast of Tabernacles at Jerusalem at that time.

America, England, Germany, Russia and many other lands will send their representatives to Jerusalem to observe the Feast of Tabernacles, and no doubt, while these representatives are partaking in the International Feast of Tabernacles, held at Jerusalem, the spirit and purpose of that Feast will pervade all of these nations and cause them to rejoice in their God and to render thanksgiving and praises unto Him for the material and spiritual blessings received through Christ Jesus.

What a wonderful privilege to have part now in ZION's Feast of Tabernacles as a preparation for this Feast, to be kept universally by all the nations of the earth.

How wonderful that ZION has the opportunity and privilege of being in the vanguard of THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

How wonderful that in ZION the Restoration of All Things has already begun! And what has already begun in ZION today in the Restoration of All Things will be commonly upheld and practiced by the nations of the earth under the Theocratic reign of Christ the Messiah at Jerusalem.

The time will come when the prophecy will be fulfilled: "In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, Holiness Unto The Lord; and the pots in the Lord's house shall be like the bowls before the altar."—Zechariah 14:20.

May God help one and all in ZION today to be faithful to their high-calling and to do their utmost to fulfill the great commission of proclaiming the Gospel of THE KINGDOM among all nations.

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THE SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

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ZION CANDY FACTORY.

Other smaller institutions are being promoted and have a bright future.

These various Institutions are managed by Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen, as General Manager, and Deacon Irving J. Thurston, as Assistant General Manager, and a staff of Managers. They are operated on conservative lines, and during the six months previous to the last inventory made the best record in their history—in fact, in the history of Zion City.

It is for Zion people to furnish the working capital, in order that the number of employees may be increased and not decreased; that the daily increasing volume of business may be taken care of.

You have the money, and every available dollar in the hands of Zion people should be put to work in the Kingdom of God. We can use the money, make and pay six per cent interest, and do much for the building up of Zion City and the extension of God's Kingdom.

It is for you who love God and Zion to respond to this call!

II. THE ZION ESTATE.

Zion City—as testified to by numerous visitors, as well as the inhabitants of Zion City—is at the present time more beautiful than at any time since the gates were first opened. It is located midway between Chicago and Milwaukee, and Zion City Site is destined within a few years to become one of the most valuable tracts of land in the State of Illinois—in fact, in the United States.

Chicago, one of the greatest cities of the world, is rapidly pushing its way out along the North Shore toward Zion City.

The Zion Estate was purchased for Zion people, and has been and is being sold to Zion people only. There are enough Zion people today to make the proposition a decided success.

Some who were going to sell their properties and get their money into the Zion City proposition in 1911, are still on the outside.

Delay! Delay!!

Delay!!! has destroyed individuals, cities and nations. Many a general has lost the battle by delay. Kings have lost their thrones by delay.

Four hundred thousand dollars worth of outside properties belonging to Zion people are now listed with us for sale. There should at once be united prayer and work to convert all of these outside properties into money, so that the money can either be invested in the Institutions and Industries or used in purchasing different assets of the Estate.

We believe and KNOW that there are now enough Zion people in the world to build a Zion City and make it a complete success.

We are offering to Zion people hundreds of acres of farms, in and around Zion City, at bed-rock prices. The spiritual, educational, and other advantages of Zion City are many—such advantages as can be had nowhere else in the world.

When God calls upon men and women to do certain things, He is not calling them to do things which are impossible; but, when the heart is right and the true desire is there, He will enable them to answer the call.

The Feast of Tabernacles, by the time this paper reaches you, will be less than one month away.

The Feast of Tabernacles is in deed and in truth a feast of good things to every hungering and thirsting spirit. You cannot afford to miss it!

You cannot live physically without breathing; neither can you live spiritually without praying.

God put you here to prepare for Eternity!

Are you neglecting this one all-important matter, and giving your time and attention to a thousand and one other matters that are of only secondary importance?

No wonder God asks:

“What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own life?”

“How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?”

Let Zion, as a body, go forward and answer the call of God, and do the one all-important thing—the thing which is of tremendous importance both in time and Eternity.

In all these matters we are simply God's servant. We have made the call, it is for you to respond.

Earnestly praying that God may stir you up, lest you lose your heritage and your crown, and that He may guide and bless you and make you a blessing in your day and generation, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.



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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus' Name

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, JUNE 10, 1916.

M U R M U R E R S

I. "WHY DIDN'T YOU LET US STAY IN EGYPT?"

"And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?"

"Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness."—Exodus 14:11, 12.

II. "WHAT SHALL WE DRINK?"

"And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.

"And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?"—Exodus 15:23, 24.

III. "WHAT SHALL WE EAT?"

"And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness:

"And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger."—Exodus 16:2, 3.

STATEMENT BY MOSES

"Your murmurings are not against us, but against the Lord."—Exodus 16:8.

IV. "WHY DID YOU BRING US UP OUT OF EGYPT, TO KILL US AND OUR CHILDREN AND OUR CATTLE WITH THIRST?"

"And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, after their journeys, according to the commandment of the Lord, and pitched in Rephidim: and there was no water for the people to drink.

"Wherefore the people did chide with Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, Why chide ye with me? wherefore do ye tempt the Lord?"

"And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said, Wherefore is this that thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst?"—Exodus 17:1-3.

V. "WOULD GOD THAT WE HAD DIED IN THE LAND OF EGYPT."

"And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

"And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness!

"And wherefore hath the Lord brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?"

"And they said one to another, let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt."—Numbers 14:1-4.

THE LORD SPEAKS UNTO MOSES

"How long will this people provoke Me? and how long will it be ere they believe Me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?"

"I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they."—Numbers 14:11, 12.

"Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice;

"Surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it:

"But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it. * * *

"How long shall I bear with this evil congregation, which murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against me.

"Say unto them, As truly as I live, saith the Lord, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you:

"Your carcasses shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against me,

"Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, concerning which I swear to make you dwell therein save Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun.

"But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised.

"But as for you, your carcasses, they shall fall in this wilderness.

"And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness.

"After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise.

"I the Lord have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against Me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die.

"And the men which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,

"Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the Lord.

"But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of the men that went to search the land, lived still.

"And Moses told these sayings unto all the children of Israel: and the people mourned greatly.

"And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which the Lord hath promised: for we have sinned.

"And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the Lord? but it shall not prosper.

"Go not up, for the Lord is not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies.

"For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the Lord, therefore the Lord will not be with you.

"But they presumed to go up unto the hill-top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and Moses, departed not out of the camp.

Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, even unto Hormah."—Numbers 14:22-24; 27-45.

VI. THE REBELLION OF KORAH, DATHAN, AND ABIRAM.

"And they (Korah, Dathan, and Abiram) rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown:

"And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the Lord?"—Numbers 16:2, 3.

"And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the Lord hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind.

"If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; then the Lord hath not sent me.

"But if the Lord make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the Lord.

"And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them:

"And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men who appertained unto Korah, and all their goods.

"They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.

"And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also.

"And there came out a fire from the Lord, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men who offered incense."—Numbers 16:28-35.

VII. THE CONGREGATION OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL FREELY EXPRESSED THEIR OPINION OF WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO KORAH, DATHAN, AND ABIRAM AND THE TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY PRINCES.

"But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the Lord."—Numbers 16:41.

THE LORD SPEAKS

"And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,

"Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment. And they fell upon their faces."—Verses 44 and 45.

THE PLAGUE

"And he (Aaron) stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed."—Verse 48.

A VERY HIGH DEATH RATE

"Now they who died in the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred (14,700)."—Verse 49.

VIII. "WOULD GOD THAT WE HAD DIED WHEN OUR BRETHREN DIED BEFORE THE LORD!"

"...And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.

"And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the Lord!

"And why have ye brought up the congregation of the Lord into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?

"And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us unto this evil place? it is no place of seed, or figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink."—Numbers 20:2-5.

IX. "WHEREFORE HAVE YE BROUGHT US UP OUT OF EGYPT TO DIE IN THE WILDERNESS?"

"And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread."—Numbers 21:5.

GOD'S JUDGMENT

"And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died."—Verse 6.

CONFESSION OF SIN

"Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that He take away the serpents from us."—Verse 7.

MOSES PRAYS

"...And Moses prayed for the people.

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one who is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

"And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole; and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived."—Verses 7-9.

(To be continued.)

Twenty-four Apostles Mentioned by Name in the New Testament

1. Simon, who is called Peter
2. Andrew, his brother
3. James, the son of Zebedee
4. John, his brother
5. Philip
6. Bartholomew
7. Thomas
8. Matthew, the publican
9. James, the son of Alphaeus
10. Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus
11. Simon, the Canaanite
12. Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed Him (Matthew 10:2-4)
13. Matthias (Acts 1:26)
14. James, the brother of the Lord (Galatians 1:19)
15. Barnabas
16. Saul (Acts 13:1-3)
17. Apollos (I Corinthians 4:6-9—Romans 16:7)
18. Andronicus
19. Junias (Romans 16:7)
20. Epaphroditus (Philippians 2:25)
21. Jude
22. Silvanus
23. Timotheus (I Thessalonians 1:1—I Thessalonians 2:6)
24. Titus (II Corinthians 8:23)

REMEMBER

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

From the evening of Wednesday, July 5th

TO

The evening of Lord's Day, July 16th,
1916

Divine Healing, the Children's Bread

Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, at the Divine Healing Service, Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Tuesday Afternoon, November 23, 1915.

Reported by E. I. Carey

Promptly at three o'clock, the General Overseer opened the meeting by announcing the HYMN—"AT EVEN, ERE THE SUN WAS SET."

At even, ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay;
Oh, in what divers pains they met!
Oh, with what joy they went away!

Once more 'tis eventide; and we,
Oppress'd with various ills, draw near;
What if Thy Form we cannot see!
We know and feel that Thou art here.

O Savior Christ, our woes dispel;
For some are sick and some are sad,
And some have never loved Thee well,
And some have lost the love they had.

And all, O Lord, crave perfect rest,
And to be wholly free from sin;
And they who fain would serve Thee best,
Are conscious most of sin within.

Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from Thee can fruitless fall;
Here in this solemn evening hour,
Lord, in Thy mercy heal us all.

PRAYER BY THE GENERAL OVERSEER

Our Father Who art in Heaven, manifest Thy Presence to us; and in order that Thou mayest not be hindered, help us to shut the world outside; and, having entered within our closets, there may we pray in secret and hold sweet communion with Thee, with none other near to disturb or to distract. Thou, O God, wilt reward us and bless us with every needed blessing for spirit, for soul, and for body.

We pray, Father, that Thou wilt accept our gratitude and our love. Every day, from the deepest depths of our spirits, we say, "We love Thee, O God our Father, with all our strength, and call upon all that is within us to bless Thy Holy Name."

We thank Thee for our Dear Lord and Savior; for the Blessed Holy Spirit—Heavenly Dove; for Thy Precious Word, with its beautiful promises.

O God, we love Thee! We worship Thee in the beauty of holiness, in spirit and in truth! We embrace Thee with a holy affection; and our Father, we pray that as we draw nigh unto Thee, so far as we know, with true and honest hearts, that Thou wilt draw even nearer unto us than ever before.

We thank Thee that Thou art; that it is our privilege to assemble here to read, to study, and to meditate upon Thy Word! O Father in Heaven, guide us, by the Holy Spirit, into the way of all truth. May our minds and hearts be open to hear and to obey, and may we vow continually to walk in the light as Thou dost give it unto us.

Father in Heaven, we pray for these meetings in this great city of Chicago. Bless this meeting! O God, may the fire that has already been kindled increase, until every part of this great city shall be touched.

Bless the meeting on the coming Lord's Day afternoon!

Sanctify the work done, by the Holy Spirit's power, and help us to realize that we are nothing in and of ourselves, but that if we are wholly consecrated, Thou canst use us, even as Thou didst use the rod in the hand of Moses; even as Thou hast sanctified and mightily used many little things in the hands of consecrated men!

Today, Father, help us as we read the Word, and as we study it—Divine thoughts, Divine words—the revelations of the one Great, Eternal God to the children of men.

O God, guide us and bless us, and make us a blessing!

Hear us for Zion today in this and in all the lands!

Bless, we pray Thee, Zion in South Africa this day—the officers and the members and the little children. O God, we pray Thee for the multitude of natives—the dark-skinned men and women and children who have given their hearts to Thee and have come into Zion. God bless them this day!

Bless Zion in Australia and in New Zealand! Bless Zion wherever represented!

We pray for Apostle Royall and Elder Viking and their loved ones in far-away China. O God, Thou knowest them all,—every officer and every member!

We pray for every child of Thine, O God; for every one who has been truly "born again," and has become a new creature in Christ Jesus. God bless them all this day, and keep them in the hollow of Thy hand in the midst of these perilous times, when there are wars and rumors of wars, and famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places.

O God, guard the sheep; and help us, Father, to separate ourselves from the world, remembering that it is written that if we love the things of the world, the love of God is not in us, and that friendship with the world is enmity against God.

O Heavenly Father, may we realize that Thou wilt not accept an unholy thing, but that we must be pure and consecrated and put ourselves upon Thine altar, and then Thou wilt accept us and seal us, by the Holy Spirit, as Thy sons and daughters.

Be with us as we further wait before Thee! Bless all present, and all for whom we should pray, as we are before Thy throne. We ask it in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

After a DUET by Conductor and Mrs. J. D. Thomas, entitled, "HE KNOWETH THE WAY I AM TAKING," the General Overseer delivered the

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: I would enjoy teaching you all the more if I saw a Bible in the hands of each one.

I want to review some of the ground that I have already covered in previous talks, because it is only by constant repetition that people are able to perceive and understand the plain teaching of God's Word.

I do not want anybody to consider anything that I say, unless it is plainly backed up by the Bible.

When I am on Bible ground, I am on safe ground; and that is the reason why I say, as a messenger of God, firmly believing in the Divine call to the ministry, that as I present the Word of God, those who accept it will be blessed, and those who reject it do so at their peril.

In weeks to come, I will take up here each one of the miracles of the Old and the New Testaments.

Years ago, when I was not so busy as I am now, I compiled a little book, giving, in regular order, all the miracles in the Old Testament, all in the New Testament, including those in the Acts of the Apostles, and also a compilation of all of the general statements on the subject of Divine Healing running right through the ministry of Christ, and also the Acts of the Apostles.

Again I remind you of the necessity of having a Bible of your own.

The Old Version of the Bible the Standard in Zion

In public, I never use anything but the Old Version and my direction to all officers in Zion is, when reading in public, to read from the Old Version.

My direction to all the people in the church is to read it at the family altar.

It has never been equaled, much less surpassed, and there is a beauty in it that is not to be found in any other translation.

You understand, of course, that the arrangement into chapters and verses is man's arrangement.

The Old Testament, written in Hebrew, is read from right to left; and you begin on the last page of the Book, instead of on the first page, as you do in English. There are no chapters and no verses, and, in the original Scriptures, there are no vowel pointings.

You cannot expect to advance very rapidly in listening to a teacher of the Word, unless you have the text before you—and surely each one can afford a Bible.

I have a very large collection of Bibles. I am glad to be able to say that I have the first Bible that I ever owned.

Now, what is the Bible?

Zion Stands for the Verbal Inspiration of the Bible

One thing that characterizes ZION is the position taken that the Bible is the *Inspired Word of God*—not only the thoughts, but the words.

I want you to get this!

While I have been trained in schools, I will use just as few technical terms as possible, so that you can understand.

When I say that I believe in the verbal inspiration of the Bible, I mean in the inspiration of the WORDS—not only that the thoughts were inspired of God, but also the very words in which these thoughts were expressed.

You can at once see the force and the beauty of this position.

If you say that the thoughts of the Bible are Divine, but that the words are human, why, we have, to a very great extent, qualified God's revelation to the children of men.

I want to mention this in every talk that I give, as far as possible, because what I say in these meetings, or on Lord's Day afternoons, is backed up by the plain Word of God.

After you have a Bible of your own then the next thing you should do is to commit to memory the names of the books of the Bible.

The Bible is called, figuratively, the Sword of the Spirit. It is one of the parts of the Christian armor.

In committing to memory the books of the Bible you do not need to commit them all in one day. They are divided into classes.

Some people say they cannot commit them, but a child of God never says he cannot do anything.

There is not a housewife here who does not know every dish in her kitchen, and where she can find it, and all about it. She has gotten to that place, because she has seen it hundreds of times, and handled it day after day. By the same principle, you can get the names of the books of the Bible.

As you sit in these meetings, you have to be in a receptive attitude.

You cannot sit here and sleep, and get anything out of the address. It is impossible! You have to be wide-awake! Apply the powers God has given you, and then as things are presented, you will be able to receive them. They will be food to your spirit, and you will grow in grace, and become a tower of strength.

The Books of the Bible Should be Committed to Memory

Now, we start out with the first five books of the Bible, which are called the Pentateuch. That is not very hard for anybody to learn; and you can always carry the meaning with you, because it simply means five books—"Pente" and "Teuchos,"—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy.

Each one of these words has a meaning.

When you have committed the first five books, then you take up the Historical Books; and then follow the Poetical Books, and then the Prophetical Books.

The Historical Books are: Joshua, Judges, Ruth; then three sets of books in twos—First and Second Samuel, First and Second Kings, and First and Second Chronicles; and Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther.

Then the Poetical Books: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and the Song of Solomon.

Next follow the four major prophets and the twelve minor prophets.

The things to do is to commit them by groups; then it will be just as easy to say these books as it is to say the alphabet.

The advantage in knowing the names of the books of the Bible is in finding references. When you know the names of the books, you know just about where the books are; and, with a little practice, you will soon be able to take your Bible, knowing its thickness, and turn, without any trouble, to any given reference.

Another thing: When studying your Bible, take your pencil and mark it.

I have between twenty and thirty different copies of the Bible, and in many of them every page is covered with marks.

The marks are an aid to memory; and also, in glancing over a page, you can instantly see the important passages or important points.

It is only as you get the Word of God that you can get salvation and healing; learn how to live a holy life; be prepared for the Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ; and know and understand the mind of God concerning the children of men.

I want to teach you the Word of God! It is all important—from the first chapter of Genesis to the last verse of Revelation.

If you will only heed these things, then we will make progress.

Teaching, Preaching and Healing, the Ministry of Jesus Christ

Remember that the ministry of Jesus the Christ is summed up in three things, which are given in Matthew 4:23 and also in Matthew 9:35—the two verses reading exactly the same.

There were three things that Jesus Christ did when He was here on earth, and the first thing was not *preaching*. That is where a good many people make a mistake. What the people need today is *TEACHING*.

The second thing that He did was *PREACHING*, and the third thing was *HEALING*.

There is the summary of the ministry of Jesus the Christ, Who was God manifest in the flesh.

We are told where He taught—He taught in their synagogues!

We are told what He preached—He preached *THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM*; and He healed all manner of sickness and all manner of disease. In this ministry we follow the same order.

Now, there is a difference between *teaching* people and *preaching* to people.

A preacher is simply a herald, given a message to deliver.

Teaching is taking up a subject, such as the Atonement, Repentance, Regeneration, Justification, Sanctification, the Resurrection, the Second Coming of Christ, Divine Healing, and so on, and marshaling all of the different passages of Scripture bearing upon the respective subjects—making plain by comparison; by contrast; by illustration—while *preaching* is simply announcing something.

It is a very significant thing that the ministry of Christ is summed up in those three things—teaching, preaching, and healing.

I want you to keep that in your minds, and be able to answer the question—"What three things did Jesus do?"—any time it is asked.

I want to cover briefly the ground which I have covered before, and which, I suppose, is quite familiar to most of you, but which is not familiar to some who are here this afternoon for the first time—and it is in such that I am particularly interested.

I am willing to preach a sermon for one person. It is my duty to do it.

As I often say, I have just one sermon that I preach,—Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

Zion Teaches Divine Healing as a Part of the Gospel

I want to impress upon all visitors, in this and in all other meetings, that *Zion teaches Divine Healing*.

Some people say, "What difference does it make what you believe, or what words you use, as long as you are sincere?"

There never was a greater mistake made than that! If you are not sincere, it does not matter; if you *are* sincere, you should not only have God's thoughts, but you should have God's words.

Every word in the Bible means something; and God has chosen the words best suited to express to us His thoughts concerning us.

ZION teaches Divine Healing!

Now, the question is: Is it in the Word of God?

I profess to believe the Bible. I do not remember the time when I did not read the Bible, nor the time when I did not pray! I do not remember the time when I did not love the Word of God, and when it was not a feast to me.

I say to any of you here this afternoon: If you have not that desire and that love for the Word of God, pray that God will give it to you.

If I saw a person slowly starving, and he told me that he did not know what hunger was; that all sense of hunger was destroyed, to me he would be one of the most pitiable objects in the world.

The Great Importance of a Spiritual Appetite

Think of a person without any spiritual appetite—with no hunger for God; no hunger for God's Word—and as I dwell on this, I think of the tens of thousands of church members, professed Christians, who will sit down and read a novel any time in preference to the Word of God, and who feed upon Sunday newspapers instead of the Word of God. It is hard for me to take any stock in their Christianity!

If you have no hunger or thirst after righteousness, there is something wrong with you—radically wrong!

Among other things that I love to be instrumental in doing, under God, is in creating a spiritual appetite—a hungering and a thirsting after righteousness, and a love for God's Word.

If you love God's Word as you should, you will sit down and read it for hours. It will have first place in your heart and life. No other book, no paper, will take the place of the Word of God.

It is very important that you get this!

Today, this world is full of all kinds of doctrines, all kinds of theories, and all kinds of systems, just as the Bible predicted it would be in the last days.

I am astounded at the periodicals that come to my office—organs representing some new cult, some new religion.

Here is an expression to which I am absolutely opposed—"FAITH HEALING." It is unscriptural! There is no such thing as *faith* healing! Faith never healed anybody!

Diabolical Counterfeits of Divine Healing

Now, there are in this world—and the moment I mention them in my meetings somebody usually takes offense and gets up and goes home; but I cannot stop for that!—first of all, Trance-evangelism, which is characterized by fits and jerks and falling on the floor, and so on and so forth; then we have what is called Mind Healing; and we have something, of which you have all heard, perhaps—the most ludicrous of the whole outfit—Christian Science, which I will prove in ten minutes to any reasonable man or woman denies every truth of the Bible, from God Almighty down to the minutest truth of the whole system of the Christian religion.

There is no such thing as Faith Healing. Trance-evangelism is the work of demons! Mind Healing, which some people talk about, is the power of mind over matter, with which God Almighty has nothing to do.

There is no question but that mind has power over matter, but that is not Divine Healing.

Divine Healing is healing wrought by God, through faith in Jesus the Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit, upon a truly penitent man or woman.

I want you officers and members to remember—and I will do my best to give you visitors the proper impression, so that there will be no misunderstanding—that Zion holds, among the many truths of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, that Divine Healing is one of the great truths that Jesus taught.

Faith Healing is absurd!

Trance-evangelism is the work of demons!

Mind Healing is simply the work of the natural mind, that is all! Of course, I am not going to deny that mind has certain power over matter, entirely independent of God.

I do not want any one ever to ask me whether ZION and Christian Science are anything alike. They are absolutely nothing alike!

I have no fight to make against men and women: my fight is against systems of error.

Christian Science denies that Jesus was the Christ, in plain words; and that one thing alone is enough to condemn it as antichristian and something that you had better steer clear of, for the Bible says that he who denieth that Jesus is the Christ is ANTICHRIST—and the Bible teaches that Jesus *was* the Christ.

It is a very serious matter!

I want to do my whole duty by the people of Chicago, and show them that every man or woman who has embraced Christian Science is affiliated with an antichristian system; and it is a very serious matter—a good deal more serious than they think.

In the Beginning God Created Everything Good

One thing that will help many people in getting their bearings will be to understand that "IN THE BEGINNING GOD."

The Bible has no preface, no introduction: it begins with the words, "In the beginning God"—Self-existent, the Creator of earth and heaven, the Creator of man.

"And God said, Let there be light: and *there was light*."—Genesis 1:3.

God created the dry land! He created the sea; the fowls of the air; the beasts of the earth; the whales and fishes in the sea! He created the stars, the sun, and the moon; the herbs and the fruit trees!

After God our Heavenly Father had finished all His Work, I want to know from you—and I trust that you will never forget it, because I may not touch on this again for many months; but it is the very beginning of things—what God said about everything that He had done.

(PEOPLE: "It was very good.")

"And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good."—Genesis 1:31.

Now, keep that in mind! It would be well for you to underscore this verse, so that you will never forget it.

Everything that God made was very good, was it not?

I will ask you this question: Is there any evil in God?

(PEOPLE: "No.")

Does God ever do evil?

(PEOPLE: "No.")

Is there any sin in God?

(PEOPLE: "No.")

Is He a Perfect and a Holy Being?

(PEOPLE: "Yes.")

My beloved hearers, what I want you to do is to agree with me here, based upon the Precious Word of God, by which we must settle everything, that everything that God made was not only good, but it was *very good*.

Never forget that!

You may not see the object of this now, but you will later on.

God created man in His Own Image. He planted a beautiful garden, and He put man and his help-meet in this garden; and He told them that they could eat of every tree, except the one in the midst of the garden, did He not?

According to the Scriptures, who appeared unto Adam and Eve?

(PEOPLE: "Satan.")

The Bible Teaches that the Devil is a Personal Being

All right! You find the word "Satan" in the Bible. Let us keep to Scriptural terms, so that we will not go astray.

We find this in the third chapter, do we not?

"Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field," and he said to the woman, "God has said so and so," and then they had a conversation.

We are right up against the proposition now as to whether the Bible teaches that there is a being called the devil, or Satan; and I want you to note that Spiritualism, founded by the Fox sisters; Theosophy, founded by Madame Blavatsky; Christian Science, founded by Mrs. Eddy—all deny the existence of the devil.

I want you to see, when there is a doctrine promulgated denying the existence of the devil, whether there is not a strong suspicion that the devil is back of it, or that he has something to do with it; for it is just like him to deny his existence, in order to deceive the people.

The devil entered into a serpent, and he talked to Adam and Eve. They listened to him, and they disobeyed God and transgressed His laws.

When they disobeyed God, what did they commit?

(PEOPLE: "Sin.")

What is sin?

(PEOPLE: "The transgression of the law.")

According to the Bible, sin is the transgression of the law!

That is a very clear definition.

It is disobedience to God!

It is doing what God has forbidden us to do, and it is refusing to do what God has bidden us to do.

Well, the Bible is very plain on this subject of sin.

We have numerous movements that have sprung up today—among them Christian Science—that tell us that there is no such thing as sin; that it is not a reality; that man is perfect—

always was perfect—always will be perfect; such teachings come from the devil. The Bible says: "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

Up to a certain time, everything was beautiful; everything was lovely; there was no sin in the world, and there was no sickness and no disease and no death. All that God made was beautiful, pure, noble, grand, true, and good! Everything was heavenly!

Sin and Death Came Through Satan, and Man's Disobedience

Satan entered into the serpent, and led Adam and Eve to transgress God's law. They committed sin.

Now, then, what had God said to them?

Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof THOU SHALT SURELY DIE.

There we have DEATH, and we also have right there what death is.

Death is separation from God!

Death is not a cessation of life; death is not a destruction of consciousness! There is no such teaching in the Word of God. That is the reason why I have no use for this infernal Millennial Dawn or Russellite business! Another reason is, because they deny the Divinity of Jesus the Christ and claim that He was a created being.

The people in this city who have gone into that delusion do not know that.

Some day I hope to be able to show them that that is true.

How are we going to get the true and not the false, except by the Word of God?

God said: "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

When Adam and Eve partook of the fruit of the tree, they did not fall over and cease to exist; there was no cessation of consciousness: but they were banished from the Presence of God.

In the New Testament you will find expressions like—"To be carnally minded is *death*;" "She that liveth in pleasure is *dead* while she liveth;" "The wages of sin is *death*," but *death* has no reference, in any of those passages, to the cessation of consciousness or the destruction of life. It simply means separation, banishment, or getting out of touch with God.

That is the reason why Jesus said:

He who believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he who believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.—John 3:36.

Now, then, at that period, everything was good. Just remember that! There was a time when everything was all right—there was no sin, no sickness, no disease, no death, no tears, no sorrow, no crying—nothing to mar nor to destroy; and I thank God that the time is coming when that will be true again!

Who is Satan?

God did not Make the Devil—He is a Fallen Angel

Some people think it is very smart to ask the speaker if God made the devil.

That is a silly question!

He who is Satan, or the devil—the names describing his character—was once an angel of a very high order in Heaven. He fell through pride, which is the cause of the downfall of most people now; and God cast him out of Heaven, together with the angels that fell with him, spoken of by Jude and by Peter as now being reserved in chains until the day of judgment.

Satan having been cast out of Heaven, and God having created Adam and Eve, the first thing Satan wanted was to get possession of Adam and Eve.

Satan wants the worship of men and women. Get that in your minds! That is the one thing that the devil wants—he wants people to worship him.

Satan entered into the serpent just as the demons were sent into the swine by Jesus, which is recorded in the New Testament.

He embodied himself in the serpent in order to talk to Adam and Eve.

Eve listened to him, just like people listen to him today!

The devil talks to people now. He whispers to people to steal, and he puts it into the minds of men to get drunk; he puts it into the minds of men to murder; and he talks to them just

as he talked to Adam and Eve, and as he talked to Jesus the Christ.

He is the tempter!

He is the archenemy of God and of mankind!

Through pride, he fell; and, as Milton says, he chose rather to reign in hell than to serve in Heaven.

There is no other city on earth where you will find more false religions than in Chicago. Everything under the heavens is taught in this city; and it is astounding how the people are deceived, and how they will run after these false systems and false doctrines. The more men and women deny the Bible and trample under foot the old and precious doctrines of our forefathers, the more the people seem to run after it.

When they listen to these false doctrines, they sin!

The Power of Choice Determines Character

God did not make Satan, any more than He makes a man a drunkard. Satan was a free moral agent.

Every one of you here this afternoon came to this meeting of your own free will and accord. You could have chosen to have gone to Fort Wayne or Valparaiso; you could have taken a train for New York, or you could have stayed at home. You are a free moral agent, with the power of choice. In no other way can there be either virtue or vice.

When God created the being who is now a fallen angel—that is, Satan, the archenemy of mankind—He created him a free moral agent: He transgressed God's law and rebelled against Him, and said, "I will not have God to rule over me."

That is what people say today!

"I am not going to have any man tell me whether I can smoke or chew! I am not going to have any man tell me whether I can drink! I will do as I please!"

That is the spirit of the people everywhere!

"I will obey nobody!"—but they are obeying Satan.

Now, then, we have Satan, or the devil, which are titles used to describe his character—just like we say "Jesus," which means Savior, and "Christ," which means Anointed.

There are over two hundred names in the Bible applied to the Son of God, such as "Shepherd," "Wonderful," "Counsellor," "Prince of Peace," "Everlasting Father," "Mighty God," and so on. And so with the devil, it is "Satan," "Devil," "Leviathan," or "Beelzebub"—titles that portray his character.

We have sin, which is the transgression of the law. Then death follows sin.

In the beginning there was no sin; there was no sickness; there was no death; there was no poverty; there were no thorns; there was no tobacco plant; there were no thistles; there were no poisonous animals in existence, nor a poisonous herb—for God gave to man every herb bearing seed for his food, and every green herb as food for the animals. There were no thorns, no thistles, no briars, no noxious weeds, no poisons, no tobacco, no intoxicating liquors—none of the things that curse the world today.

Satan the Author of all that is not Good

Satan is the author of sin; he is the author of death; he is the author of poverty; he is the author of vice; he is the author of everything that is not good.

Now, then, let us see whether we have any proof of these assertions in the Bible. I will ask Evangelist Neal to read Luke 13:16, please; Evangelist Fiddes, Acts 10:38, and Elder Huston, I. John 3:8.

(Evangelist Neal: And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day?)

Who uttered those words?

(PEOPLE: "Jesus the Christ.")

According to His Own utterances, who was it that had bound this woman for eighteen years?

(PEOPLE: "Satan.")

All right! Now, that is a very important verse, and it all reverts to this fundamental position that God is the Author of everything that is good and beautiful, and that the devil is the author of sickness, disease, and death.

Evangelist Fiddes—Acts 10:38.

(Evangelist Fiddes: How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good,

and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.)

There is the Precious Word of God!

In Luke 13:16, we are told that the woman whom Christ healed had been bound for eighteen years by Satan.

In Acts 10:38—who uttered these words? They were spoken by the Apostle Peter in the house of Cornelius, were they not? He tells us that all who were healed by Jesus were oppressed by whom?

(PEOPLE: "The devil.")

Elder Huston—I. John 3:8.

I want to show you what Jesus came into this world for—and that ought to settle the question of Divine Healing, if I never speak another word.

(Elder Huston: He who committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might DESTROY THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL.)

The Works of God and the Works of the Devil

All we have to do is to determine what are the works of God, and what are the works of the devil.

Jesus Christ did not come into this world to destroy the works of God. Do you see that? He came into this world to destroy the works of the DEVIL; and He Himself tells us that the binding of this woman was the work of Satan. Peter, in the house of Cornelius, tells us that all whom Jesus healed were oppressed of the devil; and I. John 3:8 tells us that Christ was manifested to destroy the works of the devil.

What are the works of the devil?

Sin, sickness, and death!

Evangelist Neal, read Hebrews 2:14, and let us settle the question as to who was the author of death.

(Evangelist Neal: Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him WHO HAD THE POWER OF DEATH, that is, THE DEVIL.)

Now, who has the power of death, according to the Bible?

(PEOPLE: "The devil.")

It seems to me that it should not be necessary to say another word. I do not know what more proof anybody could want.

The Bible plainly shows that Satan is the author of sin, sickness, and DEATH.

Now, I will ask you this question: Can any man or any woman destroy sin? Yes or no?

(PEOPLE: "No.")

There is One only Who has the authority to forgive sins, and Who is that?

(PEOPLE: "Jesus the Christ.")

Then I say it is equally true that no man can destroy sickness, disease, or death. Jesus Christ is the only One Who can do it!

Read Exodus 15:26, Evangelist Neal. I want to show you the Covenant of Divine Healing.

(Evangelist Neal: If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will permit to be put upon thee none of these diseases, which I have permitted to be put upon the Egyptians: FOR I AM THE LORD WHO HEALETH THEE.)

There is the Covenant of Divine Healing!

A covenant, you know, demands two parties. God is the Party of the first part, and you and I are parties of the second part. That is the way a lawyer draws up a contract.

What is man's part?

There are four different stipulations, are there not?

For instance: I have a lease for this property for six years. A certain gentleman in this city is designated as the party of the first part, and I am designated as the party of the second part. The party of the first part agrees to do so many things, and the party of the second part agrees to do so many things. If, on the fifteenth of the month, I, the party of the second part, do not send the party of the first part a check for three hundred forty dollars, he would close these doors, would he not? Why? Because I did not do my part!

That is it, exactly!

The Covenant of Divine Healing Requires Four Stipulations of Man

Now, then, read man's part of this Covenant. There are

four stipulations there—and may God burn them into your hearts!

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God,—

That is the first thing; and will you do it, or will you listen to every Tom, Dick, and Harry who is running around the country teaching false doctrines?

—And wilt do that which is right in His sight, And wilt give ear to His commandments, And keep all His statutes—

There are the four things that you have to do, my brothers and sisters, in order to have health!

If you will do these things, then God Almighty says: "I will do My part—you shall never be sick: for I am"—what?

(PEOPLE: "The Lord Who healeth thee.")

"JEHOVAH-ROPHI!" That is His Covenant Name.

Let me say something to you. To leave unfulfilled your part of the covenant is a very serious matter.

Elder Huston, stand up here, please. Now, then, here are two of us—Elder Huston and Wilbur Glenn Voliva. The Covenant of Divine Healing is read to us. I say to Elder Huston: "I am going to obey those four things, Huston! I am going to listen to God and live a holy life; and I will not, knowingly, do any wrong thing; because God has said that He will never let me be sick, if I will only do these four things."

Elder Huston takes a different attitude, and says: "I am going to smoke a pipe if I want to! I am going to have a good time; and if I get sick, I will call in a doctor, and let God Almighty go!"

Isn't that the equivalent to what many people say? They say: "I'll show you, God Almighty! I can disobey you and do what I like; and if I get sick, I will go to a doctor, and he will fix me up!"

No wonder you have them by the millions rotten with cancer and consumption!

We think it is an awful thing when the English and the French and the Germans clash at the front and there are fifty thousand men killed; but if we could see all the people who have died in the United States from cancer and consumption in the last thirty days, it would be a more horrible sight.

Why does such a condition exist?

Because the people have forsaken God, and have turned to the arm of flesh!

John Alexander Dowie Proclaimed the Covenant of Divine Healing

Who was it that came into the city of Chicago and announced the Covenant of Divine Healing, until the world was stirred?

John Alexander Dowie!

There was not a nation nor a land beneath the sun that was not stirred by his message.

He was the champion of God as the Healer!

He declared the Covenant—the Covenant of Divine Healing, and brought Divine Healing to life, after it had been buried for centuries. Thousands in all the world listened to it, and monuments stand today, in every land beneath the sun, to the fact that God is the Healer.

Has any man any right to say that he can heal?

Another thing: I want to show you a still more serious matter. One of the things that had more weight with me than anything else, when God was leading me into these truths—because God knows, I want to do right; I have put in all my life serving God, without money and without price; and I want to make Heaven my home at last—here was the most serious thing to me: When, as a minister, I sat in John Alexander Dowie's audience at Sixteenth and Michigan Avenue, in 1899, the question came to me—"My God! is it possible that I am trampling the Atonement under my feet? Am I, who have been in the ministry since I was sixteen years old, and have sacrificed everything in my Master's service, trampling the Atonement under my feet, and counting the blood of Christ an unholy and an unworthy thing?"

Christians, Who Reject Divine Healing, Trample the Atonement Under Their Feet

Evangelist Neal, I want you to read Isaiah 53, beginning with the first verse.

(Evangelist Neal: Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?)

For He shall grow up before him as a Tender Plant, and as a Root out of a dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

Surely He hath borne our sicknesses—)

Now, just a minute! You have no idea of the meaning of those words!

"Surely He hath borne OUR SICKNESSES"—

Who has?

(PEOPLE: "Jesus the Christ.")

Where did He bear them?

(PEOPLE: "On the cross.")

Evangelist Neal, read Matthew 8:16, 17, and prove it!

(Evangelist Neal: When the even was come, they brought unto Him many who were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all who were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES, AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES.)

Now, then, if you are not willing to accept Jesus the Christ, but you must have doctors and drugs, you are substituting doctors and drugs for the blood of Jesus Christ! How any one can fail to see that is a mystery to me!

What are tens of thousands who profess to be Christians doing today?

They are rejecting the Son of God and turning to the arm of flesh.

Let us have Jeremiah 17:5 and see what it says, Elder Huston.

(Elder Huston: Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man who trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord.)

Think of that! It is a very serious matter!

The Food Provided by God for Man and Beast

Let us go back to the first chapter of Genesis, verses twenty-nine and thirty, where we have what God gave to man and beast for food.

There is no use in talking—in the beginning, no meat was eaten. I am not a vegetarian. I eat meat, but not very much. I have eaten only once a day for the last eight or ten days, and I feel fine; but I am not a vegetarian. I expect to eat turkey for Thanksgiving, if God spares my life that long. There is no sin in eating meat, but I say that in the beginning there was no meat eaten; and I have only the highest respect and love for any brother or sister who does not eat meat.

And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed—

That would include rice, wheat, and oats. I want you all to get this, because it is very important.

Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed—

That would be peaches, apples, oranges, pears—every kind of fruit which has a seed in itself.

A strict vegetarian, you know, will not eat naval oranges, because they have no seeds in them. They claim that that is an interference, on the part of man, with nature.

Well, it is perfectly plain to me that the cereals, the fruits, and the nuts are what God gave us to eat. We must always be fair and honest, you know, or God will be displeased with us.

The thirtieth verse:

And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein is life, I have given every green herb for meat (food).

Notice that! That word "meat" ought to be translated "food," both here and in the New Testament.

For instance, where it says in Matthew that the meat of John the Baptist was locusts and wild honey, it should be translated "food."

God has given to man the beautiful cereals and fruits and nuts—and there is a great variety, there is no question about that!—and to the animals He has given every green herb.

I want to show you that what I said a while ago is proved by the Word of God.

Turn to the third chapter of Genesis.

I say that the devil made the tobacco plant; the devil made opium, morphine, and everything that destroys and hurts. Now, let me prove it to you.

In the third chapter and the eighteenth verse. I will read the seventeenth verse to give you the connection:

And unto Adam He said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field.

God now says that man shall eat of the herb, which He had previously given to the animals for food—and that is where grandmother's catnip tea and horse radish leaves, and all the rest of that muck, come in. It is a part of the curse!

The devil is the author of every poisonous plant, of every poisonous animal,—of everything that destroys on the face of the earth.

The Curse Shall be Removed Through Jesus the Christ

If I had time (which I have not), I should prove to you by prophecy that the time is coming, in which I hope you will have a part—and you will, if you are fully consecrated to God—when there will be nothing to destroy nor hurt in all the earth. (Amens.)

That is the prophecy!

You have it in Isaiah, you have it in Revelation, where, in one mighty sweep, John declares that there will be no more death, no more pain, no more sorrow nor crying, no more tears; for the former things will have passed away; but even now, in your life and in my life, this can be true!

"THY KINGDOM come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in Heaven"—now, Lord, in me!

Jesus was manifested to destroy sin, sickness, and disease in you; to destroy the curse, and to redeem you, that you may be a part of the Bride of Jesus the Christ!

I thank God for every one who is rescued from sin!

Oh, how I love to see men delivered from tobacco and intoxicating liquors, from morphine and laudanum and cocaine, and set free in Christ Jesus!

I have given you the plain teaching of the Word of God—and who can gainsay it?

The call to the people is to come back to God!

ZION, there is a promise here for you and for me, which I hope will be realized in my lifetime—and I believe it will be realized, and must be, before the Lord comes—that in ZION there will not be one sick person nor one weak person.

That is the promise of God!

—I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.—Exodus 23:25.

How is that going to be brought about?

It is going to be brought about by getting a generation of people who will turn to the One True and Living God, and forsake the world, the flesh, and the devil—theaters, dancing, card-playing, novels, Sunday newspapers, and vice of every kind.

The ends of the age are upon us; and the demand today is for a complete surrender—and no mincing matters. If you do not do that, you will not be ready when the Lord comes. That is the plain teaching of the Word!

Divine Healing has been restored—it is the children's bread!

Divine Healing Has a Part in the Preparation of the Bride

Why has it been restored?

It has been restored for the purpose of calling out and preparing the Bride.

What a beautiful thought!

Oh, the poor people!—how little teaching they have had on this subject! How little they know of the Rapture!

I had a long letter from Australia today, which touched my heart very deeply. It was from a man and a woman who were converted under my ministry in Australia, but who got away from God. The man said and did some very wicked things. I had a beautiful letter from them, with full repentance; and the one thing, oft repeated, that touched my heart, was the statement: "We are prompted to do this because it looks as though the Lord was coming soon."

Show me a man who is not looking for the Coming of the Lord, and I will show you a careless, unconcerned, indifferent, half-hearted kind of a man.

You do not find men and women who are looking for the Coming of the Lord at a card party!

You do not find them sitting in theaters!

You do not find them in dance-halls!

You do not find them on Lord's Day reading a Sunday newspaper, with its scandals and murders and trashy language!

How few there are who are looking for the Coming of the Lord!

My beloved brothers and sisters, the sermons that make you tremble, and of which some say, "How can he say such awful things?" are the sermons that are going to shake Chicago from center to circumference, the State of Illinois, the Nation, and the World!

One man who has been a terrible drunkard came forward Lord's Day afternoon. He is a professional man, and he said to me: "If I had heard a sermon like that years ago, I would have been saved untold trouble; but the gush and the mush that I have heard from place to place did not have any effect on me. I have been made to see myself today as I really am!"

Let me tell you, my brothers and sisters, these are the last years of the Gospel Age. The Millennium has already dawned! It is a stern message which rebukes sin in low and high places that does the work—and there can be no compromise!

Zion's Standard of Living a High One

Do you not want to be a Christian?

Some come up to me and say, "Oh, your standard is too high!"

Is that possible?

It is not *my* standard!

"Well, you say I must not smoke, and I must not chew tobacco, and I must not drink whisky, and I must not go to this, and I must not do that!"

Sure! That is what I say!

"You will never get anybody converted if you talk like that!"

That is just where they do not know what they are talking about!

Thirteen hundred gave their hearts to God in Australia during my ministry, under a good deal stronger preaching than you have had here yet!

If you have trembled in your boots during the last two Sundays, wait for six months!

When I come on the platform, I do not know any more what I am going to say than you do; and when I stand there for three or four hours and deliver the message, it is GOD'S MESSAGE—the message for the times; it is a call for the New Birth!

The people do not want to be "born again"!

"Except a man be born again, he cannot see"—what?

(PEOPLE: "THE KINGDOM OF GOD.")

How I love to talk on the New Birth!

Oh, what a glorious truth!

Without the New Birth, you cannot see THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

When we are "born again," we are new creatures in Christ Jesus.

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.—Galatians 2:20.

The Christian must live in the SPIRIT, and not in the flesh!

Some people say, "Why does he talk about the churches in such a way?"

They ought to say, "O God, give him more power!"

Zion's Fight is Against Cowardly Preachers

Why, my brothers and sisters, if you are a Methodist and you are a Christian, I say, God bless you! or if you are a Presbyterian and you are a Christian, I say, God bless you; but you must get out of your corrupt organizations! I am not condemning any good people, nor any good thing; but I *am* condemning the things that are damning the people in this city by the tens of thousands. I uncompromisingly condemn the apostate churches.

Let me show you what a certain so-called preacher did. I say, God have mercy upon his poor soul! He stood up in a large church building, and he read from the third chapter of Revelation. I want to show you what he did! I will tell a lot of other things that they do, too; and a lot of things that they *do not*

do; and I will show you, by the Word of God, that if you are a Christian, you should get out of these churches, because if you do not, you will not be ready when the Lord comes.

This preacher said: "I am about to read a verse that has an objectionable word in it:

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will (here is the objectionable word) thee out of My mouth.—Revelation 3:16.

The objectionable word was "Spue". Revelation 3:16.

Now, what do you think of that? Think of a preacher who is afraid to read the Precious Word of God!

(Evangelist Neal: He said it was not fit to be read in the church.)

Think of that!

I am going to be in Chicago, God willing, every Tuesday and every Lord's Day for years to come.

I love Chicago! There are thousands of good people here; and I am going to toil in the Name of Jesus to get them together and hoist the banner of the King over them!

What do you think of a man, posing as a minister, who is afraid to read the Precious Word of God?

I could weep over those poor people who sat in his audience!

Then think of a church of this city holding a mock murder trial, where, fictitiously they charged a man with having murdered his wife and put her body in a trunk and buried her in a vacant lot!

I want you to think of that!

Another one is holding a pig roast, to get money to defray the church expenses!

Next Lord's Day I am going to read you a long compilation of these things. They have been sent to me from all over this country.

Why, it is a terrible thing!

Zion's Message Stirs Strong Men to Action

I thank God that strong men are stirred here every Lord's Day. One man, a member of the Methodist Church, who was here two weeks ago Sunday, said, as he was going out: "I am a Methodist, and I smoke; but I am ashamed of it—and Voliva is right! I do not dare to open my mouth before a Young Men's Bible Class, exhorting them to live clean lives, when I know that I am not living the right kind of a life myself."

Then they say, "Wasn't it terrible that he called them stink-pots?"

God has blessed that word until an army has been delivered from the use of tobacco and intoxicating liquors!

What I did here a week ago Sunday was no easy task—to come out there covered with tobacco juice, until I looked dirtier than a hog—but I did it, and I did it for Christ's sake. (The General Overseer used ground coffee to represent tobacco).

Some Lord's Day, I am going to march out here dressed up as a society lady, carrying a poodle dog!

Think of the poor little children who can be seen crouching along the railroad track—poor little shriveled up children, with their toes sticking out of their ragged old shoes—picking up little pieces of coal here and there; and then on Sunday listen to the church bells and the chimes! They call this a Christian city! My God, what a spectacle!

I have often prayed that God would let me have His eye for one Saturday night. I should just like to see Chicago with God's eye for one Saturday night.

Think of a murder in this city every day!

Think of places in this city where you are not safe at any time, except with a police escort!

Where is the voice that is calling the people to repentance?

I know that some will hear—some have heard already; and others are thinking. They are stirred! Now, you PRAY!

I am going to be here every Sunday to deliver God's message to Chicago.

I want you members of ZION in Chicago to buckle on the armor and be ready to circulate these notices.

Zion's Anti-Vaccination Literature

I am preparing a tract on vaccination now, which will be the hottest thing that was ever circulated in Chicago. You will have to wear buckskin gloves in order to handle it!

If there is any one thing to which I should like to devote my life, it would be to banish vaccination from the face of the earth.

I will prepare this tract, and put half a million of them out here. I want every school-teacher, every judge, and every legislator to have one; and we will just keep hammering away at this horrible thing, until it is banished from the face of the earth.

I gave a gentleman in this city, who had been a very staunch advocate of vaccination, a copy of the LEAVES OF HEALING on that subject. He read it, and he said, "It got me thoroughly converted."

Nobody can read that LEAVES OF HEALING on vaccination and not be converted.

The body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. Let Him inhabit it! He does not want to dwell in a temple filled with cocaine, whisky, tobacco, morphine, laudanum, and other deadly poisons.

Let us eat what is good and drink what is good, and be clean in spirit, soul, and body!

Now, ZION, I have been through this thing a great many times. I started my work in ZION on the North Side of this city, in a dwelling house. I started there with an audience of about twenty people, and in three meetings I had about one hundred and fifteen persons present.

I went from this city to the city of Cincinnati. I started on the bottom round of the ladder, and in six months my tabernacle was crowded to the street.

I went to Australia and started with an audience of fifteen. Chicago is an easy field compared with the city of Melbourne; but the Gospel won its way.

If you will just pray, you will see this building crowded out into the street, and we will have to take a much larger building, and it will take a squad of police to get me in and out alive, you mark what I say! I know what it means. For weeks in Melbourne, they howled for my blood.

A Hot Fight to be Waged Against Rome and Free Masonry

Wait until I open up on Rome. I am going after her priests, many of whom drink and steal and live like the devil! I am going after every last one of them, and then they will want to kill me.

I am going after free masonry in this city! I am going to tear it to smithereens, and riddle it fore and aft. It is the worship of Baal, and one of the most horrible organizations the devil ever established; but the people do not know it!

R. A. Torrey was brave enough once to put out a little tract condemning free masonry, but you have heard nothing from him for a good many years now, have you?

When he was in the city of Melbourne, I exposed him, and I called his attention to his own tract and printed it in the Melbourne newspapers; and there he sat, night after night, with Sir Alexander Peacock, the grand master of the masonic lodge in the State of Victoria. Every preacher on his platform was a high mason.

What consistency!

Think of men being in a lodge where they dare not mention the Name of Jesus the Christ!

Elder W. D. Taylor, formerly a Methodist preacher—now a Zion Elder says, "I was chaplain of a Masonic Lodge for eight years, and never mentioned the Name of Jesus all that time in the Lodge, nor heard it mentioned."

Some Lord's Day afternoon, I will act out the first three degrees myself. I will show you!

Wait until I open up on a lot of other things in this city!

Don't you know that there are hundreds of murderesses in the churches of this city? I know it, if you do not!

Don't you know that thousands of unborn children are killed in this city in a year?

Where is the voice that is raised against it?

Once in a while you hear a little pipe, but what does it amount to?

When a man deals with the subject without gloves, and lets the people know where they are, then out of it all you will get the Bride; and when she is arrayed in her garments of pure white, the trumpet will sound and the Lord will catch up the saints. Then for three and one-half years there will be universal chaos and anarchy, and the slain will lie from one end of the earth to the other! Every man's hand will be against every other man, and blood shall run knee-deep.

The Coming Greatness of Zion Foretold

After the three and one-half years, the Lord will come back

with His saints. He will sit on His throne in ZION at Jerusalem, and will rule the earth and subdue it, and bring everything under subjection.

To him who overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.—Revelation 3:21.

What a glorious promise!

If I get started on ZION, I could be here six hours more!

Some Sunday afternoon, I will take you through the whole Bible, and I will show you where ZION comes in.

ZION is the ZION of prophecy!

ZION is God's nation!

ZION is the stone "cut out of the mountain without hands."

ZION—the Theocracy—is to grow, until all other nations are ground to powder, and the rule of God becomes universal!

Are you willing to be His subject now?

Are you willing that God shall reign in your heart, your life, your business, and all of your affairs?

Are you ready for translation?

These are solemn times in which we are living!

Nothing but a whole-hearted surrender will answer my brother and my sister! That is the way for you to get your healing.

A Surrendered Heart and Life Necessary for Healing

Get down to business and give your heart to God!

Do you believe that God sent Jesus the Christ to die, that you might be healed? Then, if you do, take Him at His word!

There is healing for you, just as surely as God sits on His throne! You can have it today, if you will only take it!

Make a full surrender! Never mind about anybody else!

Give your heart to God! Do not waste a day! There is no time to waste!

Read your Bible!

PRAY!

Hundreds of others have been healed. I will put on this platform, in the next two or three months many witnesses who can testify to healing. I am going to bring one "young" lady (Mrs. Deliah King) from ZION CITY, who is ninety-eight years old. She will be dressed in white. I will let her tell the story of how she was healed of cancer. She says she is going to live until Jesus comes—and it looks very much like it. She is ninety-eight, and yet in 1888 she was dying of cancer. God healed her. She is a beautiful sight! She has a daughter seventy-six years old.

If you are in need of healing today and you will get where you ought to be, you will get your healing.

I have done my duty!

The Saloon, the Drug Store, and the Churches Sending People to Hell

I am glad to see you, and I will be glad to see you on Lord's Day afternoon, when I will preach on the subject: "Which of the Three Institutions is Sending the Greatest Number of People to Hell—the Saloon, with its Alcohol and Tobacco; or the Drug Store, with its Alcohol, Tobacco, Morphine, Cocaine, Laudanum, and other Deadly Poisons; or the Churches, with their Oyster Suppers, Pig Roasts, Mock Murder Trials, and Pork-and-Bean Suppers?"

Which one of the three is sending the most people to hell?

It is a very serious matter!

When I was an evangelist, I have had many women ask me if I thought it was right for them to be sewing their finger-nails off making carpets and quilts, and so on and so forth, to get money for the church. I have said to those sisters, "You are making the biggest mistake of your life! God Almighty does not expect you to do anything of the kind!"

God wants His people to pay their tithes and to give their offerings freely and voluntarily.

The prayer meetings are dead, in most places!

I am going to visit most of the churches in Chicago, although they will not know who I am.

Somebody has to expose these fellows who go around laughing at the story of Jonah and the whale, denying miracles, and ridiculing the Bible; and I am going to do it!

Some Sunday, in a few weeks, I am going to conduct a whole church service here. I will sing an operatic solo—and it will be true to life!

I attended a big church in a city for months. They had two lady singers, and, during that time, I understood only one word, and that was "Jerusalem." They were two salaried singers!

That is mockery!

Oh, for life and for power!

Form is all right, but you must have the POWER!

How I love to stand, first, last, and always, for the Precious Word of God, against all comers!"

Defending the Precious Word of God

I believe the Word of God from Genesis to Revelation—every bit of it.

Oh, for a faith in the Eternal God—a faith that never shrinks, no matter what you have to face!

May God have mercy upon men who stand up in pulpits and theological seminaries and deny the Divinity of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ!

What a glorious privilege it is to proclaim the old truths that I heard when I sat in the Methodist class meeting, when my legs were too short to touch the floor! I thank God for the privilege of taking those old truths and proclaiming them to all the world—a genuine conversion, experimental religion, true repentance, and all the old doctrines that are *very unfashionable* now, you know.

If any man or woman can bring me a Roman Catholic priest who is a true Christian, I will shake his hand and say, "God bless you!" I am not going to say that there is not one, but I *will* say that a lot of them are dirty, low-down, lecherous dogs! You know that as well as I do!

Just as soon as I hit Rome on Sunday afternoons, numbers of them jump like sky-rockets. They will have to hear it, sooner or later!

Holy Living! That is what I demand, in the Name of Jesus the Christ—a holy life, a consecrated life!

Billy Sunday Denounced as a Plagiarist

Now, my brothers and sisters, they can bring "Billy" Sunday here if they want to! A man who steals some of his addresses will never get any support from me! When "Billy" acknowledges before the whole world that he is a literary thief, and that he has stolen some of his addresses, then I will forgive him!

A man who cannot preach without stealing what he preaches cannot be inspired of God!

If I were to come here this afternoon with one of Moody's sermons, and get up here and palm it off for one of my own, what would you think of me? That is what "Billy" has done, and he does not dare to deny it!

How much power can a man have when he says to men and boys, "If you will smoke, buy a pipe?"

Well, I do not preach in that way! I condemn the whole dirty business!

I say that an old church deacon smoking a pipe is no better than a sixteen-year-old boy smoking a cigarette; in fact, he is worse!

Now, some one has to do this work!

Some people say to me, "I should think you would be afraid to say those things!"

I haven't said *anything* here yet! Just wait for twelve months, and I will say some things!

The people are so accustomed to milk-and-water preaching that if a man happens to come out on a few things, they think he is very brave.

When I preached the Christian Science sermon in Orchestra Hall, a lot of people crowded around me and said, "I don't see how you dare get up and say those things!"

It does not take a very brave man to say those things. It is easy enough to preach the truth if your heart is right.

What the people of Chicago need is the GOSPEL, right straight from the shoulder!

They need some sermons on REPENTANCE!

The only way to be happy; the only way to have happy homes, is to do right and clean up your lives!

Healing Demands an Uncompromising Stand

If you are going to trust God for your healing, you must take your stand. It cannot be one thing today, and something else tomorrow!

The kind of faith that God rewards, is when a man says: "I have taken God for my Healer, and I am going to trust Him, living or dying! I will trust Him in spite of everybody!"

Pray for the meeting Sunday afternoon! Pray that God will give me greater power to smite sin and uphold righteousness! That is what is needed in this city.

Let us do what God wants us to do!

Let all stand, please, and repeat with me, if you can do so conscientiously, the

CONSECRATION PRAYER

My God and Father, in the Name of Jesus, the Blessed Christ, I come to Thee!

Father, take me as I am! Make me what I ought to be, in spirit, in soul, and in body!

Father, I want to do right. Help me to be more Christlike! Fill me with the Holy Spirit! May my consecration be complete!

Seal me, O God, as Thine Own, and help me to put on the wedding garment of righteousness, and to be ready for the Coming of the Lord.

Hear me, Father, in Jesus' Name and for His Sake. Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Father in Heaven, we bear before Thy throne all present. Thou knowest every heart here. Bless those who are in need of healing; and, having heard the words, "I AM THE LORD WHO HEALETH THEE," and knowing that Jesus bore our sicknesses upon Calvary and came to destroy the devil's works, may they accept Thee as their Healer! O God, be very near to each one of these this afternoon. Help them to say within themselves, "I will touch the hem of His garment, and I know I shall be made whole." Hear, our Father, in Jesus' Name and for His Sake. Amen.

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, by Elder Silas Moot, on May 15, 1916:

McCroskey, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Minn.

Scofield, Mrs. Eunice A. Illinois.

May 25th, 1916, by Elder Silas Moot:

Kern, Mr. Wm. J. Michigan

Krebs, Miss Katheryn Illinois

Consecration of Children

The following named little child was consecrated to God in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, on Lord's Day, May 28th, 1916.

Evangeline Mabel McConnell

Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Deacon Wm. M. Wigham, on Lord's Day, May 28th, 1916.

Emma Saloma Craig

The General Overseer, on Lord's Day, June 4th, began the ninth month of his Chicago campaign. With the meeting to be conducted Lord's Day afternoon, June 25th, the nine months will be completed, the first service having been held the first Lord's Day in October, 1915.

Immense quantities of literature have been distributed.

The SACRIFICIAL OFFERING, to be taken on Lord's Day afternoon, July 16th, should be made the largest in Zion's history.

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same,

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."
Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.**GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

Miscellaneous Musical Program.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 4	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 5	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 6	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 7	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 8	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 9	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 10	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 11	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 12	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 13	33.6 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 14	29 acres	185 per acre
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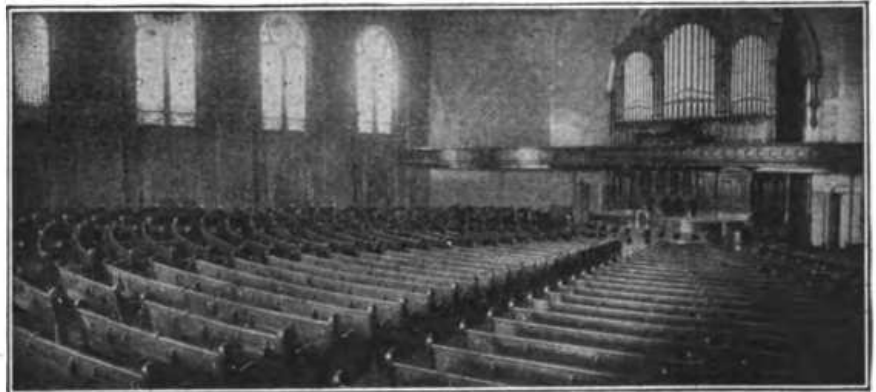
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COME unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

IF ye abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

John 15:7

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NOW unto Him Who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

Ephesians 3:20

SEEING then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness?

II Peter 3:11

THROUGH HUMAN AGENCY

By Elder C. F. Viking

GOD MAKES NO MISTAKES. The Divine is always right. God uses men to save men. Most wonderful work has been carried out through men. Though men at best are weak and limited, still God uses them.

What a wonderful story is the birth of Jesus! The Virgin Mary was highly favored and blessed among women. The Son of the Most High God was born of her. Jesus as He grew up to manhood was entrusted to the tender care of Joseph and Mary. What a great and important work in that humble home in Nazareth!

As Jesus went forth into the great harvest field, living witnesses arose everywhere testifying in their own simple way that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God, the Savior and Healer of mankind.

And when the time came that Jesus, after His death and resurrection, ascended into heaven to be with His Father, then He left the glorious work of evangelizing the world to men. He gave the last Great Commission to men. He left the feeding of His flock to men. The keys of THE KINGDOM He gave to men. He gave authority over devils to men.

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the age."—Matthew 28:19, 20.

But the apostles were limited and fallible and frail human beings.

"And God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things that are mighty;

"And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

"That no flesh should glory in His presence."—I Corinthians 1:27-29.

"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."—II Corinthians 4:7.

It is a great mistake to think that the first twelve apostles were men beyond the ordinary. They were very common men. They became leaders through the work of God in their hearts and minds. Several of them had been fishermen.

Think of the remarkable school these men went through with Jesus in Galilee, Samaria and Judea. There Jesus led them through towns and villages full of sin and disease, and there He battled with the demons for the possession of men's lives. There He most wonderfully taught them the way to God and there He preached the Gospel of THE KINGDOM.

There had to be some preparation in the lives of those who were to represent the Christ in the world. This preparation came to them through their experience with Jesus and by the gift of the Holy Spirit. The people could say of them that they had been with Jesus.

The apostles did not lose their individuality, nor did they attain to the state of angels. They sometimes were a hindrance to Jesus. He had to rebuke them. Still the school went on; still He taught and labored with them; still He prayed for them; still He believed that they were the men He could use, so He sent them forth with His message.

They were taught the fundamental truths of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and were led to a true repentance and faith. With one exception they were finally filled with the Holy Spirit.

But they continued to be fallible men, men with weaknesses even after the Holy Spirit had come upon them. Though apostles, still the record shows them making mistakes. Even the greatest among them made mistakes.

Dr. Dowie organized his work in the midst of war on the devil. The sick flocked to him. Thousands were saved and healed and blessed. Men and women determined to live for God

and serve Him. In the midst of this atmosphere of teaching and preaching and healing, many a life was moulded and prepared for future service. Men and women learned how to pray, how to fight sin, how to serve and worship and praise God. They were taught how to be useful in the church and THE KINGDOM.

How like the time when Jesus was here in the flesh. The same authority, the same teaching, the same Gospel, the same joy, the same results and the same persecution.

In this work in which Dr. Dowie spent all his time, all his strength and all his money, he showed forth that God had called him and trained him and entrusted him with a special Latter Day mission—a prophetic work, in no respect behind that of earlier prophets.

In this glorious work of restoring, the saving and healing of multitudes, God used a man, in many respects like unto us all. God did not give that work to angels, but to a fallible man, and during the whole period of that ministry, at no time was the messenger infallible. God knew his limitations and weaknesses, but He was able to carry out a most marvelous work through him.

Many of those whom John Alexander Dowie set apart for the ministry were failures. Most of them came from the denominational schools. As he often said: "The shells of their former denominations still stuck to their backs." Some turned back as fast as they came. Some lingered on for the loaves and the fishes. Some entrenched themselves inside of their own forms and withered away.

It already has been fully made plain in ZION, that in the early church when one apostle passed away from office another man took his place as apostle—Matthias was such a man. Paul was another, so was Barnabas, etc., until we find as many as twenty-four apostles mentioned in the New Testament. Not merely twelve as the modern schools would have us believe, but many, many more.

The apostles in the church to day should be living men, not dead and long since buried.

We cannot afford to place the apostolic office so high that it will be impossible to find anyone able to fill such an office. The apostolic office is an office for fallible men, not infallible beings.

In humility and obedience and love can service best be given, and the gifts of the Spirit and the fruit of the Spirit be manifest in greater degree, and God set His seal of approval and work out His perfect will.

Shanghai, China.

November 23, 1915.

1. "TRUST IN THE LORD,

{ and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed."

2. "DELIGHT THYSELF ALSO IN THE LORD;

{ and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart."

3. "COMMIT THY WAY UNTO THE LORD;

{ trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass."

4. "REST IN THE LORD,

{ and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass."
(Psalm 37:3, 4, 5, 7).

UNITED WE CONQUER

INTRODUCTION:

A single raindrop, by itself, can accomplish little.

One morning some years ago, as ponderous railway engines, with their long and heavily loaded trains, were climbing up the mountain-side, the raindrops were falling upon them and upon the road-bed in front of them — these apparently harmless raindrops being laughed at and mocked by the ponderous engines.

For days the raindrops kept falling and were being united in an immense reservoir, and finally the pressure of these united raindrops was so terrific that the hitherto perfectly safe, as it was thought, dam, was broken and the accumulated and united raindrops, without a moment's warning, came sweeping down upon these same engines, hurling them to destruction; and on the water swept, destroying the lives of twenty thousand or more.

A single snowflake could not possibly harm a child, much less destroy a city; but a thousand, a million, hundreds of millions of snowflakes, united, melted by the noonday sun and congealed by the mid-night's chilling blast, form the terrible glacier which, with imperceptible motion, gradually moves down upon the great city in the valley below and destroys it, burying it out of sight.

The General Overseer, standing alone, cannot do much in building up Zion Institutions and Industries and in establishing Zion City.

No single officer can do much.

It is but little that a single member can do.

But once let the General Overseer, the officers, the members, and the friends of Zion, truly united, move forward as one individual, and Zion Institutions and Industries will, within a few days, have the fifty thousand dollars additional capital which they need to take care of the daily increasing volume of business; the assets — farms, lots, and residential properties — of the Zion Estate will quickly be sold, and enough money, and more than enough, will be provided to maintain and extend the Institutions and Industries and to meet promptly all payments on the Zion Estate.

The FIRST thing!

The ONE thing!

The ONE, ALL-IMPORTANT THING for every officer, member, and friend of Zion to give attention to, is the BUILDING OF ZION CITY.

Zion City cannot be built without Institutions and Industries!

Institutions and Industries cannot be organized and developed without working capital!

Working capital cannot be had unless the officers, members, and friends of Zion put their money to work in Zion for the honor and the glory of God!

Let every one, immediately upon reading this article, turn his or her attention to this one, ALL-IMPORTANT thing!

The day is already far spent; THE NIGHT IS AT HAND!

Praying, morning, noon, and night, that God may awaken each and every one and that there may be such unity of action on the part of all Zion that a great work will speedily be done, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,





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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong."** 1 Corinthians 16:13

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THE POWER OF AN UNCOMPROMISING CHRISTIAN LIFE

Report of the Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, at the Divine Healing Service, Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Tuesday Afternoon, November 30, 1915.

(Reported by E. I. Carey)

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let us unite in singing the HYMN—"WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS."

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear;
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer.
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a Friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge,—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Let all bow in prayer, please. Elder Huston will offer

PRAYER

ELDER HUSTON: Our Father in Heaven, we bow in Thy Presence with praise and thanksgiving to Thee for Thy loving-kindness and Thy many blessings, for Thy protecting care over us from day to day, and for Thy promises to keep us in this life.

Our Father, we come praying Thy blessing on the service this afternoon. Bless those who have come with their hearts open to receive the truth, as it is in Christ Jesus.

As we draw nigh unto Thee, forgive us wherein we have erred, and help us to walk in the light and keep Thy commandments.

We pray that Thou wilt bless the words which Thy servant shall speak this afternoon. May the people be blessed in their spirits, and may they feel that it is good to be here, and that the power of God is present to heal them.

Help us to be more faithful in going forward in the work and in doing Thy will; in helping the Kingdom of God movement, and in helping humanity, that they may learn to know Jesus the Christ as the Savior, Healer, Cleanser, and Keeper.

We pray for the workers who deliver the message, and who go forth and cry aloud in this wicked city; and we pray for the people who come in contact with them, that some may be drawn to the house of God.

Heavenly Father, bless this service we pray Thee. Bless those who are here, and those who were hindered from coming. May great blessing rest upon us all. We ask it in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

Conductor and Mrs. J. D. Thomas then sang a DUET, entitled, "THERE'S AN HOUR THAT COMES LIKE A HEALING BALM."

SCRIPTURE READING

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all turn to the Gospel according to St. John. I will read a part of the Fourteenth Chapter, and also a few verses in the Fifteenth Chapter. Let all give very prayerful attention.

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

So you see that the antidote for trouble is FAITH IN GOD—

faith in Jesus the Christ; and as a still further encouragement, Jesus said:

In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

Thomas saith unto Him, Lord, we know not whither Thou goest; and how can we know the way?

Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me. (Verse 6)

(Verse 12) Verily, verily, I say unto you, He who believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father.

And whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

If ye shall ask any thing in My Name, I will do it.

If ye love Me, keep My commandments. (Verse 15)

The 21st, 23rd, and 27th verses:

He who hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is who loveth Me: and he who loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him....

Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love Me, he will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our abode with him....

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

In the Fifteenth Chapter:

I am the True Vine, and My Father is the Husbandman.

Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in Me.

I am the Vine, ye are the branches. He who abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth MUCH fruit; for without Me ye can do nothing.

If a man abide not in Me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. (Verse 7)

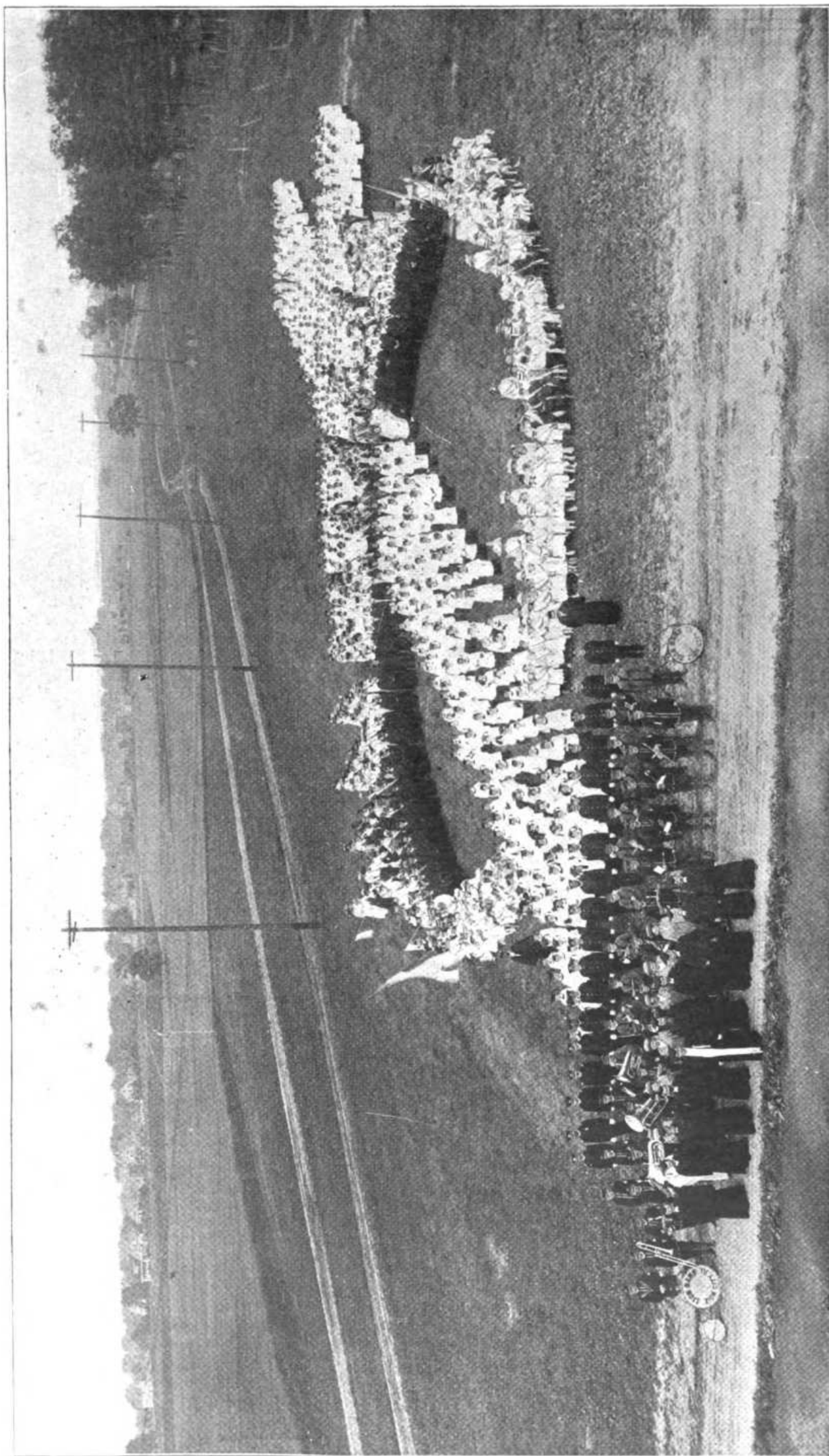
May God bless these portions of His Word!

After a number of selections by Conductor and Mrs. Thomas, the General Overseer requested that all bow their heads in prayer.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Father, we thank Thee for all privileges in Jesus the Christ, for all opportunities, and we pray that Thou wilt help us now to seek Thy face, to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that we may have a feast for our spirits and be drawn nearer unto Thee, so that when this day comes to its close and we are compelled to say that we are one day nearer the close of this earthly life, may we also be able to say that we are one day nearer our heavenly home; nearer that time when we shall see Jesus face to face, and be like Him; for when He is manifested, we shall see Him as He is. Hear us, O God, and inspire the thoughts and the words, and sanctify this service by the Holy Spirit's power, in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: I call your attention very particularly to the meeting on Lord's Day afternoon, and remind you that we all have a part in this work. Just as in salvation and in healing God has a part and we have a part, so in the work of extending God's KINGDOM God has a part and we have a part.



"Whoever doth not bear his cross, and come after Me, cannot be my disciple."—Luke 14:27.

"When the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a Crown of glory that fadeth not away."—1 Peter 5:4.

Zion Robed Officers, Zion Senior and Junior Bands, Zion Guard, Zion Chords, and Zion Restoration Host arranged to picture a Cross and a Crown — Portion of Temple Site and a residence section in the background — on the occasion of the Thirteenth Anniversary of the Consecration of the Temple Site, Monday, July 14th, 1913, during Zion's Thirteenth Feast of Tabernacles.

I really pity with all my heart men and women who profess to be Christians, but who are doing nothing in the Master's vineyard.

Things are transpiring daily that should be enough to make one who is not in the ark of safety tremble and shake with fear.

It was said last night in this city by a noted gentleman, who, it is claimed, spoke to about fifteen thousand people, that unless something could be done to bring about a cessation of this terrible war, which is daily extending in every way, it would soon mean the end of the world.

I was talking to a Jew not many days ago, who, of course, does not believe in the Divinity of Christ. He said: "I can see grave danger of universal chaos and financial wreck and ruin."

I ask you, this afternoon: How would you feel if these remarkable latter-day prophecies were fulfilled before your very eyes this afternoon?

It makes one's heart sad to see the indifference and the lack of consecration.

It is almost inconceivable to me that any man or woman who has named the Name of Christ should need any exhortation to enter into the work and do something for the Master before He comes.

The Christian Life is an Unselfish Life!

A self-centered life is not the Christian life.

The Christian life is living and working for others; and when one is really and truly a Christian, all other things are easy.

The Word of God is the Lamp of life.

It contains the revelations of God concerning you, and concerning the children of men.

As I have been thinking today of the conditions that obtain throughout the world, the only prophecy that I can see yet to be fulfilled is the gathering of God's children and the preparation of them for the Coming of Christ. All the other prophecies have been fulfilled, or are being fulfilled.

As I said here a few Sundays ago—and I emphasize that when I use the word "Sunday," I do it because many people do not know what is meant by "*Lord's Day*." I do not like the word "Sunday" at all. I like the word "*Lord's Day*"—the day kept in commemoration of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is the day which the Early Church kept, and the day observed by the early Christians,—the *Lord's Day*.

I said here a few *Lord's Days* ago that, so far as most people are concerned, preaching is no longer of any avail.

I am not going to quit!

I have been coming to Chicago every *Lord's Day* now since the first *Lord's Day* in October, and every Tuesday, and I expect, God willing, to keep it up for some time to come. I want to be able, when the Lord comes, to say, "I have done my part;" and I hope you will be able to say that you have done *your* part.

I say that the majority of the people will have nothing but the logic of events.

You may talk for hours and hours on Vaccination—some people will listen to reason, but the multitude will pay no attention to you.

When, in a place of a few thousand people, two children are killed by vaccination and others are dying, and one has had an arm cut off, then the people will begin to take notice. That is what I mean by the logic of events, and that is the only thing that will wake up some people!

Terrible Events Betoken the End of the Age to be Near

You read the prophecies!

Take, for instance, this one:

For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved. . . —Matthew 24:21, 22.

Should this war continue, they will depopulate the earth. That is what this prophecy means, and that is what that gentleman meant last night.

Thinking men are frightened, and they can begin to see what the results will be if this horrible condition of things is allowed to continue.

I have never offered a prayer for peace, for the simple reason that I will not ask God to prevent the fulfilment of His Own prophecies.

It is here predicted that there will be a time of trouble—such

a time of trouble that there will be no flesh saved, unless the time is shortened for the elect's sake—and this will come to pass.

After God spoke to Noah and predicted a flood, there was no use in praying that there would not be any flood, because God's Word had gone out.

The only thing that would save the world from these catastrophes would be that which I do not look for nor expect for one minute: a wholesale turning back to God, with true repentance, and acknowledging God; and then, of course, the plague would be stayed, but not otherwise.

It is plainly taught that the Bride will be composed of a very small number; but it is your privilege to be one of that number. We are told that it is a "little flock" to whom God will give THE KINGDOM.

We are repeatedly warned that the multitudes will be away from God, and that a very small number will be looking for the Coming of Christ; and that of that small number half of them will be unprepared for His Coming.

I have been thinking a great deal today about the statement of Jesus: "He who shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."—Mark 13:13.

A great many people who start out in the way falter and fall. They are influenced by the world. They get into a community or company of people, and they have not enough of the power of God in them to stand. If they go out visiting and pork is put before them, they will eat it and say nothing. Well, I should like to see the place where I would sit down and eat pork! I would preach them a sermon right then and there, and I would not mince matters, either!

Current Opinion Influences the Faith of Many People

If there is anything on this earth I despise, it is a weak-kneed professing Christian, who is whatever his companions are. This is illustrated by the story I told you the other *Lord's Day*, of the man who was about to be executed, and when asked what his religion was, instead of saying that he was a Protestant or a Roman Catholic, he said: "I have the same religion as that man over there with the broadax,"—the executioner. That is the way with most people today.

The story is told that during the Civil War there was a woman taken captive by the Union soldiers. They asked her where she stood, and she, thinking that they were Confederates, said she stood with the Confederates. They tied her to a post and thrashed her, and then they let her go.

Not long after that, the Confederates caught her, and she thought they were Union soldiers; and when they asked her with whom she stood, she said she stood with the Union soldiers, and they thrashed her and then let her go.

Later on, one or the other—the Confederates or the Union soldiers—caught her again. They asked her where she stood, and she said, "Just where you fellows stand." So the third time, she thought she had hit it.

That is the way with a great many people today; and that is the reason they do not get anywhere, so far as salvation is concerned; that is the reason they do not get their healing; that is the reason they do not experience Divine keeping power; and that is the reason they are miserable.

Let us get the Spirit of God and stand up anywhere and everywhere!

We have some people in ZION CITY who, when they go outside, register from Waukegan. They are beautiful (?) Christians!

The World Loves a Good Fighter and Hates a Coward!

Throughout the Word of God is found the exhortation to firmness and constancy; and I emphasize this particularly to you people who want healing.

I said to a man in Shiloh Tabernacle, "Have you given up doctors and drugs?"

"While I am in ZION CITY."

"Well," I said, "I have no time to pray for you, sir!"

Now, how about you?

You want God to heal you—have you given up doctors and drugs? Does God know that you have given them up?

Have you hidden away a truss or some surgical appliance at home?

Have you hidden away a bottle of medicine, saying to yourself, "In case I don't get healed I will go back to it"? If so,

can you stand up and pray and ask God to heal you, and expect Him to give you something when you are in that attitude?

To come into the light of the Lord Jesus Christ is expressed, in the Bible, by the powerful figure of being "born again," or being made a new creature, or dying and being resurrected. It means a revolution in one's life; it means a change in one's thinking and acting, and in one's conversation.

I will venture the assertion that nine out of ten of you good ZION people, when you meet each other, say, "How do you feel?" and I will guarantee that a lot of you put in several hours a week telling your relatives and other people how you feel. That is the worst thing that you can do!

A Self-centered Mind a Hindrance to Obtaining God's Blessing

Introspection!

How many of you sympathize with yourselves? Why, I know of people who sit for hours and days sympathizing with themselves. I know people who say that they are not appreciated; that their brilliant talents are not appreciated.

A lot of people say to themselves, "I never had a chance!" Well, the only thing you have to do is to *take* a chance! That is what I do. I do not wait for some one to give me a chance: I take a chance. That is my privilege, and it is yours, too.

Those of us who belong to the old generation have habits that are hard to break, have we not?

I went into the ZION Barber Shop the other night, and while I was waiting there a ZION man came in and said to another one, "Peace to thee! How is your cold?" I was looking out of the window, and I listened to the trend of the conversation.

"Oh," said the other one, "my cold is better than it was yesterday. It was pretty bad two or three days ago." They kept up talking about that cold for ten minutes. There was no blessing in it for me; it did not help me, and it did not help the man who asked the question.

It is force of habit!

For instance: You may come to a nice field of potatoes (I have tried this in ZION CITY), and you say to the owner, "My, what a fine lot of potatoes you have there!"

"Yes, but I am afraid the bugs are going to take them."

You meet another man and say, "What beautiful spring weather we are having!"

"Yes, but they predict that we are going to have so much rain that everything will rot in the ground."

That is the way people live!

When I go to the bedside of a lot of people who are sick, the first thing they tell me is that they are going to die. Then I say, "Why did you send for me? You don't need my assistance to die!"

How elevating it is to think of God! You can commune with God before you rise.

The Blessing of Filling the Mind with Divine Thoughts

Sit down in a quiet room and read the first six verses of the Fourteenth Chapter of John, close your eyes and pray, and you will arise refreshed, strengthened, and the world will be beautiful and life will have a sweet charm for you.

Now, why is it? You have looked into the face of God, where there is no sin, no sickness, and no disease! You have looked at the very Source of life, and at the beautiful, the true, and the good; and you rise inspired of God to go forward through the day.

I can put it in another way: You have all said, when a certain person calls at your house and she goes: "Thank goodness, she is gone! I always have a bad headache for a week after she has been here!"

Sometimes you have said, when a certain person calls to see you: "Oh, I'm so glad to see you; I am delighted to have you here!" and when she says, "I must be going," you say: "Now, don't go; you have only been here a short time. Please stay!" After about thirteen efforts she gets away, and you say: "Thank goodness, she has gone! She is nothing but an old nuisance, anyway."

There are some people who make you tired, and they give you the blues when they come around. Now, why is it? The Bible says, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

It is your THOUGHTS that find expression in words and in deeds.

Now, then, as you go around, you are influenced by everything with which you come in contact. If you are rooted and

grounded in Christ Jesus, and your hand is in God's hand, you can rise above adverse influences and they will have no effect upon you; you will pay no attention to them.

You cannot sit down and read an account of a murder trial; you cannot sit down and read a trashy novel; you cannot sit down and listen to an unholy conversation, and not be affected by it. Therefore, you should never put yourself in the way of these things. This may be illustrated by saying: You have no business ever entering a saloon, unless you know that you are called to that work and that you are going on God's business. If you do not go on God's business, you are putting yourself where you are in grave danger of getting one of the devil's darts.

It means a change in the way of thinking!

Why, every time any of your relatives visit you, or you visit them—unless they are different from other people—practically all they talk about is doctors and drugs and hospitals—"Aunt Jennie had an operation, Uncle Billy had his hand cut off, and Aunt Susan had the earache."

You hear it everywhere! Why? Because it is a work of the flesh, and not of the spirit.

The infernal conversation!

Foolish Conversation has a Reacting Influence

I never visit my relatives, and I have no friends since I came into ZION! If I *did* visit my relatives, I would want to get in on the evening train and leave before daylight next morning, and I would want to put in all the time I was there in bed. I would not stay and listen to it—hospitals and doctors, and Doctor this and Doctor that. Then the neighbors come in.

"Well, how is Mrs. Brown?"

"Oh, she isn't at all well. She is feeling very poorly, I am sorry to say. She has got the headache and backache, and she had the toothache last night. I was up till midnight, and they called in Doctor Jones."

"Well, how are the children?"

"They are all sick. They look as if they are going to get the smallpox."

They just keep that up, and you have to sit and listen to that for three hours.

Have you ever had that experience while visiting your relatives, since coming into ZION?

Your *thinking*, after you come to God, is entirely different from theirs.

With them, if it is not doctors and drugs, then it is the theater.

"Did you see the play last night?"

The whole conversation is just the opposite to that in which a Christian indulges; and, as far as I am concerned, I do not propose to listen to it!

I wonder whether our thinking comports with the life of a Christian?

The Christian Life to be a Life without Compromise

I went to see a sick man several weeks ago. I had been to see him before, and I would not go any more. The worst thing is not being sick; the worst thing is not dying; but the worst thing is not to be in the faith; not to be firm and faithful and steadfast, and not to die with your hands in God Almighty's hand,—a true soldier of the cross.

I went back to see him once more, and to hear his confession. As I arose to go, he looked up to me and said, "Would you have any objection if I got one of these rubbing doctors?"

I looked right straight at him for about two minutes, and then I said, "That is an insult for you to ask me a question of that kind! You know very well what my answer is: I DO NOT COMPROMISE! I have fought a great many battles, but I have never compromised." I never saw him afterwards, and he will be buried tomorrow.

He was a man who professed to be in ZION for fifteen years, and there is where he stood!

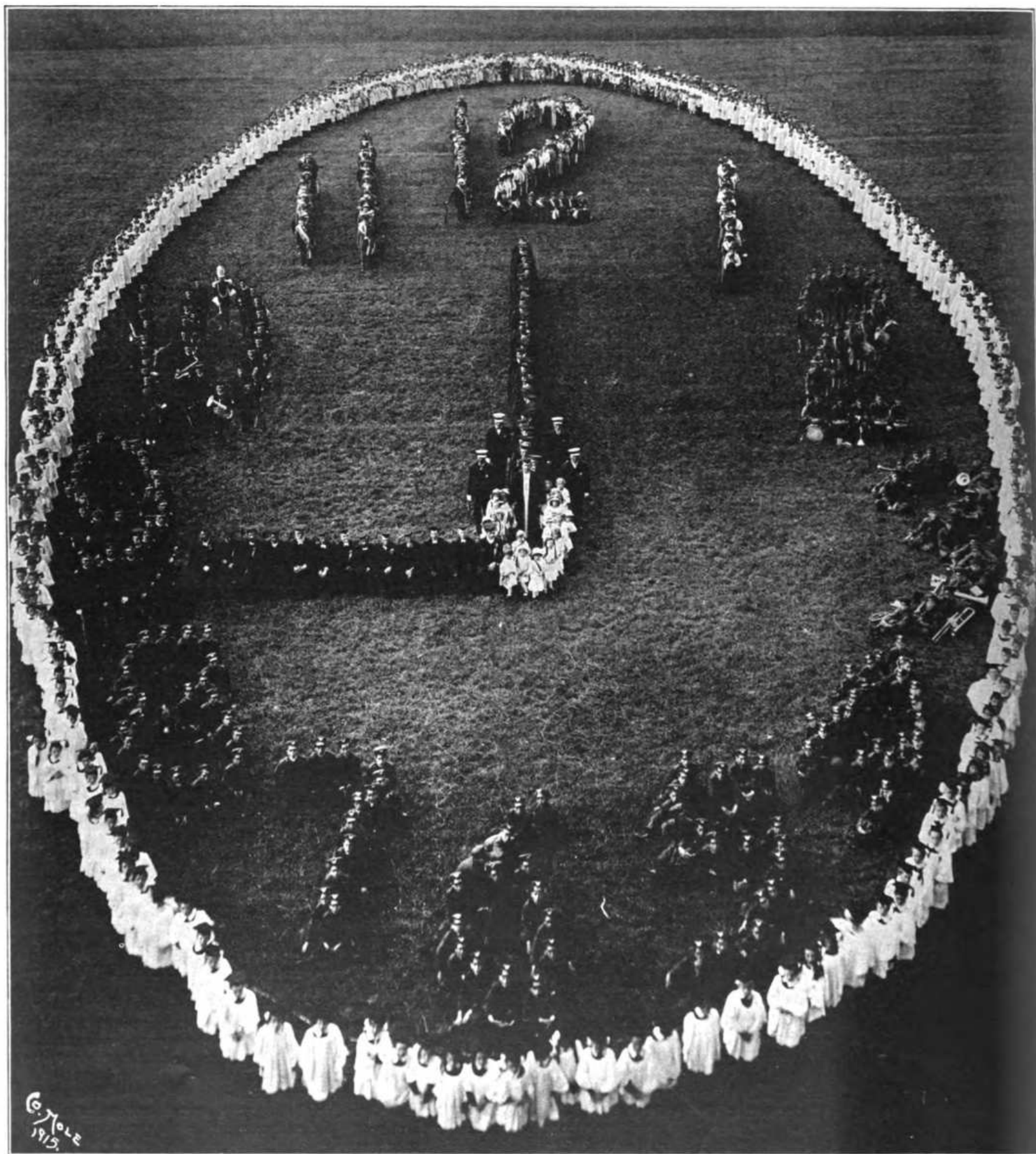
What does the Bible say about the man who wavereth?

...He who wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.—James 1:6, 7.

The revolution begins in the THINKING; and as you think, so you will talk; and as you talk, so you will act.

That is the general rule!



Photograph representing Zion's Nine O'clock Hour of Prayer, Zion Junior and Senior White-Robed Choirs forming the circle, Zion Junior and Senior Guard and Bands, the Bugle Corps, and the Restoration Host forming the figures of the dial, while the Apostles, Elders, Evangelists, and Deacons comprise the hands of the Clock, with the General Overseer in the center, surrounded by little children and the Zion City Police. Taken on the Temple Site, July 14, 1915.

I am striving to know the laws of THE KINGDOM OF GOD and to obey them, and I am reaching out after the secret of a perfect life. If I knew the laws of THE KINGDOM OF GOD and lived in accordance with them, I would have every blessing that God has provided in the storehouse of Heaven, and so would you.

There is no doubt that the old way of thinking fosters disease,—none whatever!

There is no doubt in my mind that the old language, the old way of talking, is a curse to humanity!

Why, I have known people who have put in months talking about a cancer. I tell this to illustrate this point: I had a man get up in one of my testimony meetings, and he went on to tell about what the devil had done. At last I got tired of it, and I said, "Brother, the people would like to know what God has done." He paid no attention, but went on to tell what the devil did and how he did it, and I said, "Tell us what God did for you!" Then he started out again telling what the devil had done, and I made him sit down.

Witnessing to what God has Done of Greatest Importance

My brothers and sisters, I love to hear what God has done! When you are going to give a testimony, do not spend twenty-five minutes telling what the devil has done, and then give one minute to telling what God has done. Let us hear what God has done for you! That is the only thing, and that is what the people want to hear.

New thoughts and new words and new deeds, and following right along with that will come a love for the Word of God. You will have a spiritual taste; you will have the spiritual sight, and you will have a spiritual hearing. It will take spiritual things to satisfy your spiritual tastes, and you will love the Word of God and the house of God.

That is one thing I like about ZION; that is one thing I liked in the beginning, and one thing that impressed me.

When I was pastor of a very fashionable church some years ago, I had a yearly contract with the officials to preach thirty minutes every Sunday morning. That is all I had to do. I did not have to attend any other meetings. My contract was for a thirty-minute sermon or essay every Sunday morning, and I delivered it on the tick of the clock. I used to watch that clock, and just the moment the thirty minutes were up I pronounced the benediction and went into my little private office and over to the parsonage. They thought that was a long service.

One Sunday I had a convert, and I thought all the people would die right in their pews. They had not had a convert in that church for over six years; they had forgotten there was such a thing.

Since then, church services have become even shorter. As the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ has vanished, the services have shortened.

When I came to ZION, I went through one meeting at Central Zion Tabernacle nine hours long. Well, that set me to thinking, and I asked myself, "How do you account for it—that people will come in here at two o'clock (in fact, some of them were there Sunday morning and brought their dinners) and stay for so long? There must be something different here to what they have in the churches, because a thirty-minute sermon there is a terrible thing."

What makes the difference?

The Interest of the People Awakened through Zion's Message

Well, in ZION God is present, and the people have something that interests them. In the churches, they have no life; they have nothing to interest them.

In Australia, a number of the churches advertised like this:

"Short Service, Good Singing. Sermon fifteen minutes long. No collection taken."

One of the wonderful things in ZION is the length of time that an audience will sit—hour after hour; and not only the ZION people—people who have already received the truth and come under its holy influences—but people who are in the meeting for the first time, and they are unconscious of the fact that the time is passing. Why? Because God's message is being delivered. That is the difference!

We who have become Christians belong to a new order. We do not belong to the old order. Our thinking is different, our talking is different, our aims are different. If they are not,

then we are still in the old order, and we have never passed out of the old order into the new.

I gave a talk here last Tuesday afternoon which, it seems to me, was backed up by enough of the Word of God plainly teaching Divine Healing to convince any fair-minded man or woman under the sun; and yet people will close their ears and their eyes, and they will go on in the old order and refuse to accept the light. That applies to every truth of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Last Lord's Day afternoon I said some things on tithing which were plain enough, it seems to me, to show anybody!

Do you know what keeps people from tithing?—it is the love of money. There are some very stingy people in this world. The worst thing I know of is the LOVE OF MONEY; and the Bible says, "The love of money is"—what?

PEOPLE: "The root of all evil."

You may take every bit of trouble that you have in this world, and you will find MONEY at the bottom of it all!

What is at the bottom of this war in Europe?

Nothing but money, that is all!

The Love of Money the Root of All Evil

It is a fight for commercial supremacy. There is not another issue between England and Germany. It is just a matter of commercial supremacy, and nothing else! They can say there are other things, but there is nothing else—money is at the bottom of it. We have a crop of millionaires made by this war, and they are doing everything they can to keep it going, so that they can make ammunition and sell it, and make millions out of it.

What is it that keeps the saloon going in Chicago?

Why are men in the saloon business? For money! If it were not for the money, they would shut them all up at once.

Men will sell intoxicating liquors and debauch their fellow-men for money! The same is true of tobacco, and the same is true of vaccination—you withdraw the money consideration, and you will never hear of vaccination again.

Covetousness is mentioned very frequently in the Bible, and particularly in the New Testament. I can cite you many instances in the Bible—I will give you one which I read here the other Tuesday, where the love of money was the cause of a man having leprosy. There is another instance where the love of money was the cause of death.

When men and women become converted and turn to God, they trust in Him, and they do not act like men and women of the world.

The Lord Jesus Christ emphasizes that you cannot add one cubit to your stature; that so far as food, shelter, and raiment are concerned, you are dependent upon God; and that the Christian should seek first THE KINGDOM OF GOD and His righteousness, and then all these things shall be added. That is the reason I say in my meetings—and I say it emphatically: "I do not ask you to give one cent. I am no beggar. I trust God Almighty, and when He does not support me, I will resign and quit."

What do you think of that?

Is that sound or false doctrine?

It is BIBLE doctrine.

When God Almighty calls a man to the ministry to do a work, it is God's business to back him up, is it not?

Yes, it is!

I will tell you, this is a pretty strong statement; but I have proven it a number of times: A man who cannot go out without a dollar and support himself in the ministry, was never called of God to the ministry,—or else God's Word is a lie!

I would not be afraid to start out in Chicago without a dollar. Of course, you can say, "Well, you have the advantage." Yes, but how did I get it?

You say, "You are well-known, and you have been advertised, and you occupy a position that gives you a leverage." That does not necessarily follow!

I did it in Melbourne, I did it in Cincinnati, I did it on the North Side, and I can do it again. I would not be afraid to go to work without a nickel in my pocket, without a solitary supporter, and in eighteen months I will have the biggest income of any preacher in the state of Illinois. That is the Word of God!

Now, then, there are other things in the Bible! Why, just think of what God has for you and for me—salvation for sin, healing for all our sicknesses and diseases, and food, shelter, and raiment, and the bounties of Heaven. He has promised them all! But the question is, Where is the faith?

Faith in God the Channel of Obtaining Divine Blessing

Where is the faith?

Where is the trust in God?

We have a great deal to learn along these lines!

We have a lot to learn about faith in God!

Of course, it is easy enough for a person to get down and pray, "O God, give me this day my daily bread!" when he has fifty thousand dollars in the bank, or twenty-five loaves of bread in the cupboard! The biggest devil in Cook county could do that.

Were you ever brought right up to the place where you HAD to trust God? Perhaps you never had to trust God for anything. Perhaps you have been so fortunate that you have never been in a place where you had to put your trust in God.

There are people, you know, who boast that so far they have been able to get along, and that they do not have to trust in God.

How long would it take Chicago to be at the point of starvation? You just disarrange a few of the natural conditions, and it would not be many days until Chicago would be seized by famine. It would not take very long!

How long would you and I live without oxygen? Not very long! And we would not live very long without food, either, nor without sleep. We are the most dependent of all the creatures, and I guess we are about the most forgetful and ungrateful, too.

Ingratitude for Blessings Received, the Basest of All Sins

The worst sin in the catalog is to forget God and to be ungrateful.

Ingratitude!

Take that song, "I Surrender All," which was sung for us this afternoon. It is a beautiful hymn. It is nice to sing it, and especially if you mean it; but if you do not mean it, it is nothing but hypocrisy. If you mean it, it is a beautiful thing.

"I surrender all!"

A life wholly surrendered to God, keeping nothing back!

When the Lord comes—if it should be this afternoon—there will be a thousand things that you will wish you had done. You should do them *now*!

There are people in Chicago who want the Gospel. The day of grace has not closed yet, although things are very different today to what they were five, ten, or twenty years ago.

The door is not shut yet!

You still have the opportunity of taking the Gospel to the people. That is my part and YOUR PART!

When you hand out a card stating where the meetings are held, you have done your part. Suppose they do throw it away—what is the difference?

I heard a man the other day telling about a Restoration worker who handed a tract to a man in the street car, and he rolled it up and threw it on the floor. A lady came in; she saw it there, and stooped down and picked it up. She read it, and threw it down on a seat. Then a man came in and picked it up and read it; and then another one came in. He picked it up, read it, and put it in his coat pocket.

God Requires Faithfulness on the Part of His People

When you hand out the LEAVES OF HEALING, or a tract, or a message, you have done your part.

I was thankful to God when the workers came from ZION CITY last Sunday. You know, it started raining at midnight Saturday night in ZION CITY, and it poured down in torrents all night and all day Sunday.

Sunday morning, when they got down to the station, a number of them thought they had better not go. The leader was telling me about this, and I said, "What an awful pity if they had listened to the devil and turned back home!" They sold over three hundred LEAVES OF HEALING and distributed over fifteen thousand notices and messages. In addition, they took in a number of ten-weeks' subscriptions to LEAVES OF HEALING, one of them from a druggist.

What a shame it would have been if they had listened to the voice of the devil and turned back!

ELDER HUSTON: "It did not rain down here."

That is it, exactly! The devil is always trying to get people to turn back.

The leader—Deacon Peterson, who comes to Chicago every

morning—said to the workers: "If I can go down every morning to my job, it would be a nice spectacle if today, in the Lord's work, I turned around and went back home because it is raining!"

I tell you, my brothers and sisters, it is an easy matter to turn back!

It is an easy matter for you people who are trusting God for healing to be turned back by somebody.

Oh, how I love to see people stand like a rock, nothing that is said to them making any impression or any inroads!

I have seen people who have been threatened with disinheritance, and so on and so forth, stand like a rock.

"I will cut you out of the will!"

"All right; what difference does that make?"

I want you to read for yourselves—and I will put this list on the blackboard some Tuesday—the miracles of our Lord. There are thirty-six in the four Gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John; and twenty-six of these are miracles of healing.

The Importance of Mastering the Contents of the Bible

In Matthew, there are twenty miracles recorded, and in Mark there are eighteen; in Luke there are twenty-one, and in John, eight.

In Matthew there are three that you find nowhere else; in Mark there are two that you will not find in any other book; in Luke there are seven; and in John there are six.

The first three books — Matthew, Mark, and Luke — are called the Synoptic Gospels, and the Gospel according to John is called the Supplementary Gospel.

I want you to get the names of the books of the Bible. In the Old Testament there are thirty-nine, and in the New Testament there are twenty-seven—that is, in the whole Bible there are sixty-six.

The words "The Bible" come from two Greek words, "*Ta Biblia*," meaning "The Books." You see, the Bible is not a book: it is a collection of books.

I want you to grasp what it means to teach the Bible.

We have some teachers and some of the officers in our Bible School who do not teach at all—they preach; they lecture.

I went over the lesson with the officers last Saturday morning, and I said, "I would cover this chapter in just two minutes."

In studying the Bible, what you want to do is to master its contents. For instance, I can shut my eyes and see everything in the First Chapter of Matthew; I can analyze it. I can do the same with the Second Chapter and with the Third Chapter.

I can see that Third Chapter, just like I can see the alphabet,—the ministry of John the Baptist and the baptism of Jesus.

The Fourth Chapter—I can see that right straight through—it starts out with the temptation of Jesus.

I can give you every detail of the Fifth Chapter, and also of the Sixth and the Seventh and the Eighth.

Where will you find the Parable of the Wheat and Tares? In the Thirteenth Chapter. Where will you find the story of the beheading of John the Baptist? In the Fourteenth Chapter. Where will you find where they brought little children unto Jesus? In the Eighteenth Chapter. Where will you find the Great Commission? In the Twenty-eighth Chapter, the Nineteenth Verse.

The Importance of a Thorough Knowledge of God's Word

The thing is to master the contents of a chapter, and then reverse it. That is the only way to study the Bible. Now, for instance, you go back in the Old Testament, and the first thing that you ought to do is to memorize the names of the first five books—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. These five books are called the Pentateuch, which comes from the two Greek words, "*pente*" and "*teuchos*"—five books.

The next thing to do is to study Genesis. How many chapters are there in Genesis?

PEOPLE: "Fifty."

As you study it, you should mark any important verses, so that when you get through with a chapter you can look at it, and at a glance pick out the principal verses.

Take the Fourth Chapter of Genesis, for instance—

Where is Abel thy brother? Am I my brother's keeper?
(Verse 9)

Read a little every day, and study it and pray about it, and the first thing you know, you will have the whole Bible before you, and it will be a new world to you; and your life will have

a thousand charms that it never had before. You will love the Word of God, the Precious Word of God!

You will be able to give the narratives where Jesus raised the dead—who they were, and where they were. You will be able to tell the number of cases of blindness, and so on.

Now, then, after you have gone through it that way, it is a nice thing to study the Bible topically; and I will tell you another thing: read LEAVES OF HEALING! You do not know what a fatal mistake you are making if you do not read LEAVES OF HEALING.

Read your Bible! Read LEAVES OF HEALING!

Be earnest in prayer—morning, noon, and night—and feed on the Precious Word of God.

Let us go forward in Chicago by faith! Why, we have an easier road to travel, in some respects, than Dr. Dowie had. He started here in Chicago without anybody.

All that is necessary is for us to loosen these dormant talents. One thing that often makes me sad is because I am so busy that I am not able to draw out and utilize every talent in ZION. It is too bad that there is one unused talent.

I love to work right along that line, and I hope to see the day when I can give that branch of ZION's work a great deal of attention—discovering the talents of ZION and utilizing all of them.

Cooperation of One and All in Pushing Zion's Great Work

You can do your part!

Let the people know of the meetings, and come to the meetings praying. Let me do the preaching, because you cannot do it.

I have been through the mill. I have traveled the road, and I have started on the bottom round of the ladder. I know exactly how this thing can be done, and the only way it *can* be done.

Let all do their part, and we will keep right on month after month and year after year—and you will see Chicago shaken. They are discussing ZION now in many places.

If we had nothing better to offer Chicago than a little old apostate church service, I would not spend the carfare to come down here.

ZION has something more to offer Chicago than a little old apostate church service!

I know how to stir this city!

This is no ordinary work!

These are no ordinary times!

There is no use coming down here with a pot of mush for Chicago—you have to come down here with a carload of dynamite bombs, and you have to awaken men and arouse them. That is the way to get them to quit tobacco and liquor and drugs, and to get people to give up their evil doings. You have to let them see themselves as they actually are; there is no other way.

Let all stand, please.

THE GENERAL OVERSEER then closed with the following

PRAYER

Father in Heaven, we commit to Thy care and keeping this company of Thy children — those who have named the Name of Jesus. We pray for those who are in need of healing for their bodies. We trust that they have already been cleansed in spirit and made every whit whole. O God, upon the wings of our earnest prayer we now lift them up before Thy Throne. O Thou Great, Eternal, All-wise, All-loving God our Father, take them this very moment. Let all hindrances be removed. O God, help them to draw nigh with an uncompromising spirit. Help them, Lord, to put aside all trust in the arm of flesh, and to turn to Thee—the True and the Living God.

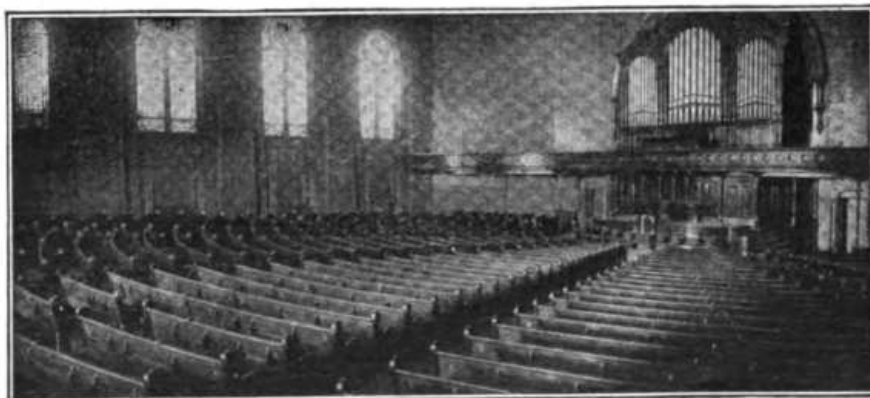
Bless, we pray Thee, the meetings of this city. Bless the work that has been done. O God, help us, for Jesus' sake, to go forward in this great city without fear and without favor. We ask it in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

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"CHRIST IS ALL, AND IN ALL"

Zion Protests Against the Hog

By Elder O. L. Tindall

WHEN ZION attacks the hog, she attacks virtually every home in America, and we may say in all the world, though a few heathen (?) nations have this to their credit, that they will not eat the filthy swine's flesh. In this they show themselves more civilized and sensible than our own fair land of Bibles, and churches that profess to follow the Good Book as their guide.

ZION protests against the swine as human food, because observation and experience teach us that the hog is an unclean animal. Just *why* God condemned the swine is not told us in the Bible; but when God condemns or prohibits a thing, that ought to be enough. We believe God had good reasons for putting the pig in the prohibited list. We do not think it was purely arbitrary, or for religious reasons, but because it was injurious to health. The food was or is filthy just as is the animal itself.

The law of Moses prohibited it most strongly, and God gave Moses the law.

Jesus the Christ condemned the hog at Gadara, when He suffered the demons to enter the swine and caused two thousand of them to perish in the sea. Christ was manifested, it is said, to destroy the works of the devil. He destroyed the swine as He did disease and sickness, because they were the works of the devil.

Oh! but says one, the New Testament does not say we shall not eat swine's flesh. It says, "Every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:

"For it is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer."—I. Timothy 4:4, 5.

This passage is quoted by some Christian people as proof that swine's flesh may be eaten. If that be true, then there is no limit to what we may eat: rats and cats and dogs, skunks, buzzards, hawks and lizards, etc. This would prove too much for the argument of the friend of the hog.

If you read the context of this Scripture, you will see that Paul is condemning those who were forbidding marriage and commanding to abstain from foods, which God has created to be received with thanksgiving, etc. But that did not include the swine, for God never intended the hog to be used as food; but forbade its use as food. The swine is not sanctified by the word of God, as the passage says. The Word on the other hand pronounces it unclean and filthy, and no man has the right to receive it into his body, for it defileth the temple of God.

Oh! but someone says, did not God command Peter to rise and eat of all the animals which he saw in the sheet let down from heaven, when he had that vision on the house top? All manner of beasts and creeping things were in the sheet.

Well, Peter did not eat any of them, neither could he for it was only a vision, and meant, as he learned afterwards, to teach him not to call any *man* common or unclean.

Most likely the animals which he saw represented the nations of the earth, even as they do to the present day.

Our own land is represented by the Eagle, and Britain by the Lion, and Russia by the Bear, and China by the Dragon, etc.—all unclean animals.

No! The hog has never been made clean any more than has the dog, or cat, or rat.

For the most part, civilized nations have adopted the Mosaic schedule of animals and different articles of food. The hog is the most noticeable exception, and the worst of them all, we might say, for there is none that can surpass him in downright filthiness. He is not content with filling himself with all kinds of filthy muck, of dead carcasses and slops, but after all that, the hog seeks the dirtiest mire in which to wallow. Is it any wonder that he is unclean, and is the breeder of all kinds of disease? Is it any wonder that the old Latins called the breeding sow "scrofula," which is the Latin word for a sow. Scrofula and cancer can be easily traced to the eating of swine's flesh. We do not hear of cancer among all the diseases that the Lord Jesus healed while on earth.

The Jews, who keep the law of Moses in this respect, do not have cancer.

If statistics could be gathered correctly, we would find more deaths caused by swine's flesh than by tobacco or liquor.

ZION is the only church that dares to enter a vigorous protest against this all but universal violation of God's plain law, and also the law of pure and wholesome food. Most of the hogs themselves, are diseased when they go to market. Hog cholera is prevalent everywhere.

It is the custom of many farmers, and perhaps most of them, when they see cholera invading their herd, to run them off to market before they all die. The disease is among them. If the hog can be gotten to the slaughter pen before he dies, he goes for good meat and is sold in the shambles, and someone eats him.

Why do men keep on raising and selling this unclean food, the scavenger of the land? For the same reason that a man sells whisky—to make money. Many are ignorant of the crime thus committed. They have been raised that way. They have not studied and obeyed their Bible, or they would know better.

This is quite a new field for a church to enter. ZION has raised her voice against the awful evil, and she backs it up by her practice. No swine, alive or dead, is allowed in ZION CITY, or on ZION land any more than whisky or tobacco. All her food is free from lard or any part of the swine.

WHY DID GOD MAKE THE HOG? someone asks. We do not wish to be wise above what is written—God did not answer that question. But we have found by a sad experience that it does not pay to eat what God has prohibited. Adam and Eve found it out also. God told them not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. So it appears that God did make some things even at the beginning that were not to be eaten.

Ought a man to eat everything his eyes see? Is a man to be governed by his mere vitiated taste? Oh! it tastes good, the man says. Yes, Eve said it was good for food. It tasted good. Her eyes were opened when it was too late. Just as the family I read of lately, who ate toad stools by mistake for mushrooms. Perhaps they asked the same question that some foolish people ask in regard to pork and drugs. Why did God make them if they are not good to eat. Whether man knows why or not, the safe rule is, "Touch not; taste not; handle not" the unclean things.

"And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be cloven-footed, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you.

"Of their flesh ye shall not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you."—Leviticus 11:7, 8.

Deuteronomy the 14th chapter gives a list of animals that are clean and fit for food. ZION has adopted this bill of fare and believes it wholesome. Eat that which is good. This will cut out that filthy scavenger of the sea, the filthy oyster, so popular in these degenerate days.

REMEMBER

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

From the evening of Wednesday, July 5th

TO

The evening of Lord's Day, July 16th,
1916

RESTORATION WORK

MINNESOTA

Mrs. Hattie Anderson of Hill City, Minn., reports the following Restoration Work done during the month of March 1916:

Calls made	78
"Leaves of Healing" sold	34
"Leaves of Healing" and "Theocrats" given and mailed	13
Messages given	22
Total pieces distributed	69

Mrs. A. O. Lee of Minneapolis, Minn., reports the following Restoration Work done during 2 months, ending April 16, 1916:

Special calls made	26
"Leaves of Healing" sold	78
"Leaves of Healing" given	9
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	19
Total pieces distributed	106
Subscription to "Leaves of Healing"	1

Miss Ruth J. Johnson, Minneapolis, Minn., reports the following Restoration Work, done during three months, ending April 23rd, 1916:

Calls made	13
"Leaves of Healing" given and mailed	132
Messages given	60
Total pieces distributed	193
Ten weeks subscription to "Leaves of Healing"	8

Mrs. Hattie J. Anderson of Hill City, Minnesota, reports the following Restoration Work done during the month of April, 1916:

Calls made	96
"Leaves of Healing" sold	32
"Leaves of Healing" and "Theocrats" given	15
Messages given	16
Total pieces distributed	63

Deacon Wm. M. Wigham sends in the following Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Minneapolis:

Mr. Clifford Johnson

Month ending May 29th, 1916

Calls made	100
"Leaves of Healing" given	240
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	25
Messages given	15
Total pieces distributed	280

Mr. W. B. Clausen and Mr. C. Johnson

Month ending May 29th, 1916

Calls made	50
"Leaves of Healing" given	20
Messages given	50
Total pieces distributed	70

Mrs. Florence Findell

Month ending May 29th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold and given	20
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Mrs. E. E. Lund

Week ending May 29th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold and given	40
"Leaves of Healing" mailed out	35
Total pieces distributed	75

Mrs. A. O. Lee

Two weeks ending May 7th, 1916

Calls made	35
"Leaves of Healing" sold	28
"Leaves of Healing" given	13
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	27
Messages given	55
Total pieces distributed	123

Mrs. Lund and Miss Ruth Johnson

Lord's Day, May 7th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold	3
"Leaves of Healing" given	17
Messages given	50
Total pieces distributed	70

Mr. Wm. M. Wigham

Month ending May 29th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold	109
"Leaves of Healing" given	40
Total pieces distributed	149

OHIO

Evangelist August Hammock sends in the following reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio:

Mr. Wm. Barrowcliff, and Mrs. Wm. Barrowcliff

Week ending April 23, 1916.

Calls made	35
"Leaves of Healing" sold	18
Messages given	30
Total pieces distributed	48

Mrs. Wm. Barrowcliff and Mrs. Chas. Fulton

Two weeks ending April 23rd, 1916.

Calls made	45
"Leaves of Healing" sold	30
Messages given	40
Total pieces distributed	70

Mrs. W. B. Barrowcliff and Mrs. B. B. Fulton

Week ending April 29th, 1916.

Calls made	60
"Leaves of Healing" sold	50
"Theocrats" given	50
Total pieces distributed	100

Mr. Wm. B. Barrowcliff and Mr. Chas. W. Fulton

Calls made	30
"Leaves of Healing" sold	17
Messages given	27
Total pieces distributed	47

Mr. Wm. Barrowcliff and Mr. Chas. Fulton report the following Restoration Work, done in the City of Cincinnati, during one week, ending May 7th, 1916:

Calls made	70
"Leaves of Healing"	18
"Theocrats" given	60
Total pieces distributed	78

Evangelist August Hammock sends in the following report of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio:

Mr. W. B. Barrowcliff and Mr. B. B. Fulton

One day.

Calls made	65
"Leaves of Healing" sold	50
"Theocrats" given	50
Total pieces distributed	100

Mr. Chas. W. Fulton and Mr. Wm. B. Barrowcliff

Two weeks ending May 20th, 1916.

Calls made	80
"Leaves of Healing" sold	48
Messages given	55
Total pieces distributed	103

Mrs. C. Fulton and Mrs. W. Barrowcliff

Week ending May 20, 1916.

Calls made	55
"Leaves of Healing"	40
Messages given	50
Total pieces distributed	90

Mrs. Wamsley and Mrs. G. Hammock

Week ending May 21st, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold	42
"Leaves of Healing" given	9
Total pieces distributed	51

Mrs. W. Barrowcliff and Mrs. Chas. Fulton

Week ending May 28th, 1916

Calls made	56
"Leaves of Healing" sold	14
Messages given	56
Total pieces distributed	70

Mrs. Krueger and Mrs. B. B. Fulton

Week ending May 29th, 1916

Calls made	30
"Leaves of Healing" sold	24
"Theocrats" given	25
Total pieces distributed	49

ILLINOIS

Deaconesses H. Buhmann and B. Schelhorn send in the following Report of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago, Ill., during one week, ending May 29th, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold	250
"Leaves of Healing" given	131
"Theocrats" given	305
Messages given	125
Total pieces distributed	811

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Leaves of Healing

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH
7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.
Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."
Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH
9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Site of Zion Temple. Public Holiday in Zion City.

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH

9:30 A. M.

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

CANTATA BETHANY

Wm. ApMadoe.....W. Rhys-Herbert
Semi-Chorus from Zion White-Robed Choir.

ZION HOME

Zion City,
Illinois

is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION Home is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

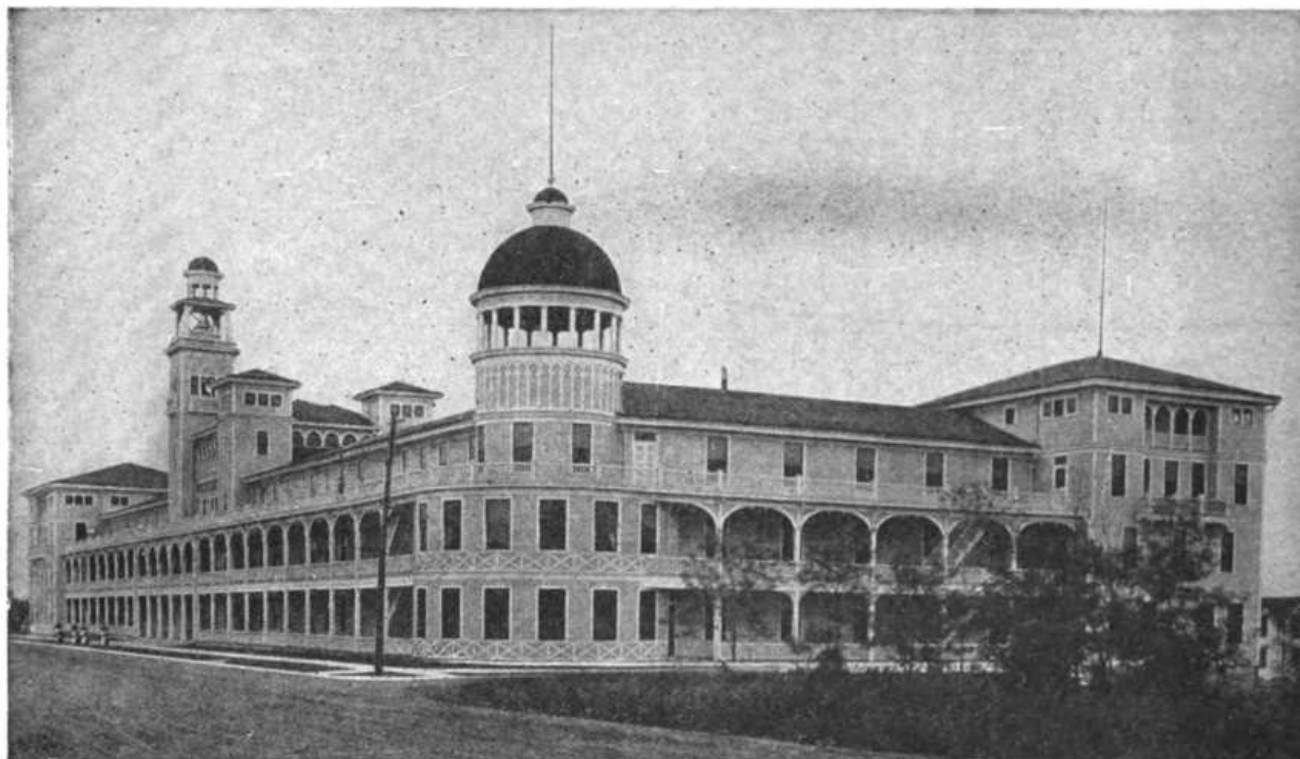
ZION Home is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130

vating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION Home.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located



ZION HOME

feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, reno-

in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.



Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.
MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267:)

FIRST—That we recognize the infallible inspiration and sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.

SECOND—That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD—That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH—That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

Address

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I am
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IN the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink.

John 7:37

IF ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

John 15:7

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

TO BE HELD, GOD WILLING, IN

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

FROM THE EVENING OF
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5th
1916



TO THE EVENING OF
LORD'S DAY, JULY 16th
1916

PEACE I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27

HE that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.

John 14:21

UNITED WE CONQUER

INTRODUCTION:

A single raindrop, by itself, can accomplish little.

One morning some years ago, as ponderous railway engines, with their long and heavily loaded trains, were climbing up the mountain-side, the raindrops were falling upon them and upon the road-bed in front of them — these apparently harmless raindrops being laughed at and mocked by the ponderous engines.

For days the raindrops kept falling and were being united in an immense reservoir, and finally the pressure of these united raindrops was so terrific that the hitherto perfectly safe, as it was thought, dam, was broken and the accumulated and united raindrops, without a moment's warning, came sweeping down upon these same engines, hurling them to destruction; and on the water swept, destroying the lives of twenty thousand or more.

A single snowflake could not possibly harm a child, much less destroy a city; but a thousand, a million, hundreds of millions of snowflakes, united, melted by the noonday sun and congealed by the mid-night's chilling blast, form the terrible glacier which, with imperceptible motion, gradually moves down upon the great city in the valley below and destroys it, burying it out of sight.

The General Overseer, standing alone, cannot do much in building up Zion Institutions and Industries and in establishing Zion City.

No single officer can do much.

It is but little that a single member can do.

But once let the General Overseer, the officers, the members, and the friends of Zion, truly united, move forward as one individual, and Zion Institutions and Industries will, within a few days, have the fifty thousand dollars additional capital which they need to take care of the daily increasing volume of business; the assets — farms, lots, and residential properties — of the Zion Estate will quickly be sold, and enough money, and more than enough, will be provided to maintain and extend the Institutions and Industries and to meet promptly all payments on the Zion Estate.

The FIRST thing!

The ONE thing!

The ONE, ALL-IMPORTANT THING for every officer, member, and friend of Zion to give attention to, is the BUILDING OF ZION CITY.

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Let every one, immediately upon reading this article, turn his or her attention to this one, ALL-IMPORTANT thing!

The day is already far spent; THE NIGHT IS AT HAND!

Praying, morning, noon, and night, that God may awaken each and every one and that there may be such unity of action on the part of all Zion that a great work will speedily be done, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,



He sendeth His word and healeth them.

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A CUP OF COLD WATER

And Whosoever shall give to Drink unto one of these My Little Ones A Cup of Cold Water only in the Name of a Disciple, Verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise LOSE HIS REWARD

Matthew 10:42

Editorial Notes

By Apostle Wm. S. Peckham

"IN the Last Day, that Great Day of the Feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me."

COME, for Jesus bids you come!

COME, for all things are now ready!

COME to the place where the Living Waters flow!

COME TO ZION'S Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, to be held, God willing, in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, from the evening of July 5, 1916, to the evening of July 16, 1916.

GOD COMMANDED Moses to institute the Feast of Tabernacles, to be kept throughout the generations of Israel, as a memorial of His bountiful providence and great deliverances.

The Feast of Tabernacles was the last of the three great national feasts to be observed annually by the children of Israel—Passover, Pentecost, and the Feast of Tabernacles.

Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto Me in the year.

Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out of Egypt: and none shall appear before Me empty):

And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labors, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labors out of the field.—Exodus 23:14-16.

And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,

Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the Lord.—Leviticus 23:33, 34.

And on the fifteenth day of the seventh month ye shall have a holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a feast unto the Lord seven days.—Numbers 29:12.

Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy corn and thy wine:

And Thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, who are within thy gates.

Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the Lord thy God in the place which the Lord shall choose: because the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.—Deuteronomy 16:13-15.

SOLOMON KEPT the commandment to observe the Feast of Tabernacles.

Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion.

And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king

Solomon at the feast in the month Ethanim, which is the seventh month.—I. Kings 8:1, 2.

Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt.

And in the eighth day they made a solemn assembly; for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the Lord had showed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel His people.—II. Chronicles 7:8-10.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES was observed by the remnant that returned to Jerusalem under Zerubbabel.

And when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem.

They kept also the feast of tabernacles, as it is written, and offered the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom, as the duty of every day required.—Ezra 3:1-4.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES was restored under Ezra and Nehemiah.

And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded to Israel....

Also day by day, from the first unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day was a solemn assembly, according unto the manner.—Nehemiah 8:1, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18.

PASSING DOWN THROUGH the centuries, we come to the time of our Savior, and find that the Feast of Tabernacles still was being kept by the Jews.

Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand....

Then Jesus said unto them,... Go ye up unto this feast; for My time is not yet full come....

Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught....

In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink.—John 7:2, 6, 8, 14, 37.

JESUS SET HIS STAMP of approval upon it for all time.

While other feasts were but types which were fulfilled in Jesus Christ, our Savior,—the Lamb of God—and in the coming of the Holy Spirit, the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles should not cease, for there never will come a time, on this earth, when God's people will not have occasion to commemorate the great mercies and deliverances of our Lord.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES has been lost sight of, down through the ages, by God's people. It seemed to cease soon after the blotting out of the national life of Israel.

The early Apostles observed the Feast of Tabernacles, but it soon fell into disuse, and, with the growth of Christianity and Roman Catholicism, church festivals were inaugu-

gured which took the place of the Feast of Tabernacles.

But the Feast of Tabernacles is the feast of all time.

The Feast of Tabernacles ended the sacred year of Israel and was observed annually by the Nation.

So the Feast of Tabernacles is a part of the National life of ZION. It unites the people, quickens the spiritual life, and fosters the national spirit in ZION.

NOW, WITH THE BIRTH of God's Nation — ZION — through the work of Elijah the Restorer, there must be, of necessity, the restoration of the Feast of Tabernacles.

The fact that John Alexander Dowie *did* restore the Feast of Tabernacles is one of the greatest of the many proofs that he was the Restorer.

No one else except Elijah the Restorer could have seen that this Feast of Tabernacles must be restored as a part of the great preparation in ZION for the Millennium — the Theocracy in its fulness.

He was the first and only one to declare that wonderful prophecy of Zechariah concerning the Feast of Tabernacles being kept all through the Millennial reign of our Lord.

In the Fourteenth Chapter of Zechariah, the prophet clearly sets forth the return of the Lord, THE KINGDOM set up on earth, and the restoration of the great Feast of Tabernacles, which is to be observed by all nations.

And it shall come to pass, that every one who is left of all the nations who came against Jerusalem, shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.—Zechariah 14:16.

WE HAVE TRACED the Feast of Tabernacles, from its institution in the Wilderness of Sinai, into the Millennium. We have set forth that the Feast of Tabernacles is upheld by Moses, Israel, Solomon, Zerubbabel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Zechariah, Jesus the Christ, our Lord and Coming King, and John Alexander Dowie, Elijah the Restorer, who inaugurated the principles of the Theocracy, which must prevail during the Millennium.

WE ARE NOW LIVING in the time symbolized by the toes of the great image of Nebuchadnezzar. The four great world-empires—Babylon, Media-Persia, Greece, and Rome—have passed away, and now we have only the mixture of the separated nations and kingdoms.

The final world-empire—THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—has been born, and is destined to rule in all the earth.

And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand ~~for~~ ever.—Daniel 2:44.

LET THE NATIONS sit up and take notice, for He Who stood before the Roman rulers and said, "I am the King of

the Jews," will soon return to make good His claim, and rule and reign in ZION.

Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and ye perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they who put their trust in Him.—Psalm 2:9-12.

WHERE THERE is a genuine ZION, there always will be counterfeit ZIONS!

There can be only one ZION of God!

But no one need to be deceived. The genuine ZION will come in exact fulfillment of the Scriptures.

ZION will be the restored Theocratic nation — introduced by God's prophet; ruled by God's prophet; observing the Feast of Tabernacles; preaching THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM; preparing for the King; casting up a highway of holiness, upon which the redeemed shall walk, and the ransomed of the Lord shall return with songs and everlasting joy.

ZION HAS BEEN BORN, and all rulers and peoples must reckon with ZION!

What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion!—Isaiah 14:32.

ZION is more than a church organization!

ZION is more than an educational institution!

ZION is more than a commercial enterprise!

ZION is more than a political party!

ZION is all of these and more—ZION IS A NATION—God's nation—the stone cut out of the mountain that shall fill the whole earth!

ZION IS FIRST of all spiritual, and finds its earthly expression in ZION CITY, where God and HIS KINGDOM come first in all matters—commercial, educational, and political, as well as ecclesiastical.

The Feast of Tabernacles is first of all a spiritual Feast, where the people meet to partake of the Living Water and of the Living Bread.

ZION—THE KINGDOM OF GOD—is not something etherial because it means the establishment of the rule of God in the individual, in the home, in the nation, and in the whole world.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in Heaven.—Matthew 6:10.

JESUS TOOK the Feast of Tabernacles out of its Jewish limitations, and made it a great spiritual Feast for all nations.

Jesus said:

If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink.

He who believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

(But this spake He of the Spirit, which they who believed on Him should receive.)—John 7:37-39.

ONCE MORE JESUS will be in our midst, and by *faith* we shall drink of the Water of Life, and, drinking, we shall be able to give the Water of Life to others.

The Living Waters will flow again in ZION at the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles.

And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him who heareth say, Come. And let him who is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.—Revelation 22:17.

EACH DAY of the Feast, the General Overseer will teach the great truths of ZION, that all may learn and become more spiritual.

Each day the people will gather together to drink in the Divine truths, and to render praise and thanksgiving to the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for our of Zion shall go forth the law, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.—Isaiah 2:3.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES was the most joyful of all the feasts of Israel.

Let ZION come up with rejoicing, and make the greatest Sacrificial Offering in all her history.

Therefore will I offer in His Tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord.—Psalm 27:6.

COME TO LEARN of ZION and of ZION's needs!

Come to make a fuller consecration of every talent!

Come, for a great feast awaits all who answer the Christ's invitation—"COME!"

Come for better preparation for service in THE KINGDOM!

Come for only a few more feasts in ZION, and the King Himself will be here to reward all who keep the Feast of Tabernacles, which He also kept!

Come, ZION, for the days of thy morning are ended, and the day of thy glory is dawning!

The judgment of the nations and their destruction is at hand!

The exaltation of ZION hastens to its fulfillment!

THE CALL to God's people everywhere today is: "COME OUT OF BABYLON! Come into ZION, in order to prepare for Christ, the Coming King!" The Feast of Tabernacles will help you put on the Wedding Garment, and fill your vessel with Oil—Holy Spirit—and to be ready for the call soon to be heard in ZION:

BEHOLD, THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH;

GO YE OUT TO MEET HIM.

Apostate Preachers and Churches Sending More People to Hell than the Saloons

Report of the Service, Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, May 14, 1916, Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

INVOCATION BY APOSTLE E. L. CAREY:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations;
For the sake of Jesus. Amen.

APOSTLE CAREY: Let us praise God by singing hymn No. 357—"BE YE STRONG IN THE LORD."

"Be ye strong in the Lord and the power of His might,"
Firmly standing for the truth of His Word;
He shall lead you safely through the thickest of the fight,
You shall conquer in the Name of the Lord.

CHORUS.—

Firmly stand for the right,
On to victory at the King's command;
For the honor of the Lord, and the triumph of His Word,
In the strength of the Lord firmly stand.

"Be ye strong in the Lord and the power of His might,"
Never turning from the face of the foe;
He will surely by you stand, as you battle for the right,
In the power of His might onward go.

"Be ye strong in the Lord and the power of His might,"
For His promises shall never, never fail;
By thy right hand He'll hold thee while battling for the right,
Trusting Him thou shalt for evermore prevail.

SCRIPTURE READING

APOSTLE CAREY: I will read in the Inspired Word of God, in the First Epistle of Paul to Timothy, the 4th chapter:

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them who believe and know the truth.

For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:

For it is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer.

If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness.

For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come. (Verses 1-8)

May God bless His Word!

The Semi-Chorus then rendered the selection, "SING AND REJOICE," after which Elder Taylor offered prayer.

Conductor and Mrs. Thomas sang the selection, "PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD," by Allan.

Apostle Carey made the usual announcements for the week, after which the Semi-Chorus rendered the selection, "THE KING OF LOVE, MY SHEPHERD IS."

GENERAL OVERSEER: All bow in prayer, please.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and in the Name of Jesus the Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit be sanctified unto the good of all present and unto the good of all who shall read these words in this and other lands, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer; Amen.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let very prayerful attention be given to the reading of different portions of God's Word.

My prayer is that God will enable me so to read these portions of His Word that you will never forget them; and I want you to know, when I have finished, what has been read.

I will read from the 3rd chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, the first book of the New Testament.

Matthew was one of the Twelve Apostles, formerly a Roman tax-gatherer, or publican—a class of people in very bad repute.

The Message of Repentance Proclaimed by John the Baptist

In the 3rd chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew:

In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea,
And saying,—

When you have found out how the prophets wrote, how the Apostles preached, how Jesus the Christ preached, then you will know how a man ought to preach today.

John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, "REPENT YE: for THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand."

If you do not remember anything else that is said this afternoon, just make a note of the fact that the first word with which John the Baptist, the forerunner of Jesus the Christ, began his ministry, was, "REPENT."

The reason assigned by John the Baptist was that "THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand."

Now then, we have upon this earth today a nation called the United States of America, with a flag made up of stars and stripes; we have a nation called the British Empire, ruled by a king, limited by the House of Lords and the House of Commons; we have the German Empire, ruled by an Emperor; and we have Russia, ruled by a Czar.

Then we have various other nations—Spain, Portugal, Italy, the Balkan States, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, South America, Mexico—you have all heard of Mexico, have you not?

Any ordinary person can name all the nations of the world, tell the kind of rulers, and whether they are republics, democracies, monarchies, autocracies, oligarchies, or whatever form of government they may have.

Now, that is all right; I believe in being well informed regarding all the interesting and important affairs of the entire world. It is commendable when children can name every state, and the capital of every state; when they can give the population, and the names of the rivers and mountains and so on—that is all very commendable. In fact, it is lamentable, when a child arrives at a proper age, if he is not able to do this.

However, you will notice that John the Baptist does not speak of the United States of America, nor of the British Empire, nor of Russia, nor of any of the other nations of this earth; but he DOES speak of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

You may know all about the nations of the world, every detail of government and so on, but if you do not know about THE KINGDOM OF GOD, sooner or later all this other knowledge will be as naught.

This is the first mention in the New Testament of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—"Repent ye (change your minds, get an afterthought): for THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand."

John the Baptists' Powerful Witnessing Against Sin

Finally John was cast into prison—that mighty man of God, the prophet concerning whom the Prophet Isaiah spoke, saying that he was the “voice of one crying in the wilderness,” who should be sent to prepare the way of the Lord and make his paths straight; that man of whom Malachi, in the third chapter of his prophecy, spoke; that man of whom Jesus said, “Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist.”

You know the story.

There are very few preachers today who get into prison—or that get into anything else except a pork-and-bean supper, an oyster supper, or some other thing where the poor hard-working women are trying to raise a little money to keep the poor preacher out of the county poorhouse.

John the Baptist was no *coward*! He delivered a message, and he got a woman angry. I tell you, when you get a woman angry with you, she will try the metal in you.

That was true of Elijah the Tishbite. We see him facing the king and all the royalty, and standing like a rock; but when old Jezebel got after him he ran for dear life and hid under a juniper tree. He said, “Lord, she is after me! Let me die!”

When a man gets afraid of a woman it is time to say good-bye and get off the earth.

Now, old Herodias had gone into a Chicago marriage. You know what that is, do you not? The papers are full of accounts of them every day. Some of them, I think, are worse than the one Herodias went into.

John the Baptist said to her, “You are an adulteress! You have no right to him with whom you are living!”

That made her blood boil, and she danced around there pretty lively.

This Herodias had a daughter—one of these girls with a waist screwed up until it looked like one of these yellow jackets, or wasps; and her head was the size of a thimble—the kind you women wear when you sew on buttons—and just about as much in it.

John the Baptist Forfeits his Life for Reproving Herod

On Herod's birthday they had a great celebration, and Herod asked the daughter of Herodias to dance before them, promising to give her anything she might ask, even to the half of his kingdom. She consulted her mother before she made her request, and the wicked old woman saw her opportunity.

I tell you, men who talk about women being fools, they do not know what they are talking about.

Why, women have destroyed empires and great kingdoms; and instead of kings and emperors and czars ruling nations, the real rulers have been their wives. History is replete with such examples.

So the daughter said to her mother, “What shall I ask?” And the wicked old woman, tool of the devil, said, “Ask for the head of John the Baptist on a charger.” And that voluptuous girl danced off the head of John the Baptist.

After John was put in prison down there in the old Castle of Machaerus, and before this event I have just described, Jesus the Christ began His ministry, according to the 17th verse of the 4th chapter of Matthew, saying, “Repent: for THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand.”

You were taught the Lord's Prayer at your mother's knee, perhaps, and in that prayer, which you heard chanted here a few minutes ago, there is the petition, “THY KINGDOM come.”

What is the sad condition today?

The Kingdom of God Loses Sight of by Church Adherents

Why, you have all heard of the Methodist Church; some of you may belong to it. You may know something of the Baptist Church, something of the Presbyterian Church, something of the Episcopal Church, something of the Congregational Church, something of the Roman Catholic Church, something of this and something of that; but the question is: WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

THY KINGDOM come!

Except a man be BORN AGAIN (from Heaven), he cannot see the Kingdom of God. (John 3:3)

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. (Matthew 6:33)

Now then, ladies and gentlemen, Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, or anything else under the sun, here is the Bible, and if you will find the word “church” in any one of the four Gospels more than twice, I will give you ten thousand dollars!

And yet today, among those who profess to be Christians, do you hear anything about THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

No!

It is “our church,” “my church,” “your church,” “his church,” “Come down to our church,” “When are you going to his church?”—and so on.

It makes me think of the signs to be seen in some cities: “Come this way to get the biggest glass of beer in town for a nickel!”—“Come to this corner!”—“Come over here!”

And what is the poor miserable sinner to do in the midst of it all?

Now, here is the Bible. The first four books—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John—cover the ministry of the Son of God. Find the word “Church” mentioned more than twice, and I will give you one hundred thousand dollars; I will give you one million dollars—I will give you one cent.

Jesus the Christ Used the Word “Church” but Once

It is a strange thing that the Son of God—God manifest in the flesh—who came down from heaven, during all of his three years' ministry, talked only about THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—“Repent: for THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand;” “THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field;” “THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal;” “Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.”

Now, I will go still further, and I will say that the word “church” occurs only once in all the four books—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

In the 16th of Matthew—the chapter which has caused rivers of blood to flow; because, you know, the Roman Catholics claim that the Church was built upon Peter, who was the “rock,” and that the popes of Rome are the successors of the Apostle Peter.

In this chapter, Jesus said, “Thou art Peter (*petros*), and upon this rock (*Petra*) I will build My Church.”

Dr. Thayer, author of Thayer's Greek Lexicon, says that the Greek, instead of being “*ten ekklesian*,” is “*ten basileian*”—“upon this Rock I will build My KINGDOM;” and the text bears that contention out, for immediately after He said to Peter,

I will give unto thee the keys (not of the church) of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Now then, taking this position,—which I do, backed up by unquestionable scholarship—the word “church” occurs just once in all the four books—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

What the people need today, from the kindergarten to the principal meeting on the Lord's Day, is to have the Word of God opened up to them as to THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

The Difference Explained Between the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Heaven

Now, another thing, THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN and THE KINGDOM OF GOD are not the same; although I admit that, in the four gospels, the two phrases are often used interchangeably and with the same meaning.

Fundamentally, THE KINGDOM OF GOD is that KINGDOM in Heaven where God's throne is; where Christ sitteth at His right hand, and where the angels are.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD has always existed; but THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—that KINGDOM to which John referred and to which Jesus referred—is a mediatorial KINGDOM, which Jesus came to establish upon the earth; and THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN that Jesus came to establish involves the same constituent parts as does the United States of America or the British Empire.

If I were to ask you to define the United States of America, you would say that it is composed of territory—three and one-half million square miles; with a population of one hundred and four million; with a Republican form of Government in name, but a government by the political bosses in fact. You would describe it still further, giving the constituent parts.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, in like manner, which Christ came to establish upon this earth, involves territory; involves men and women as inhabitants and as subjects; and the form of government is a Theocracy—THE RULE OF GOD, with the Bible as the Guide Book—the rule of faith and practice.

There never was a greater error made, than for people to suppose that THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—that KINGDOM to which John referred—is up yonder in the sky, or over yonder in the sweet by-and-by.

I know that is where the rank and file of the people would like to have it. Therefore, long ago the devil said to the preachers, "You run the Sunday school and the singing, and I will run the politics, the education, and the business." They entered into a contract with "Old Nick," and today universally the preachers have a little singing and conduct a little Sunday school, while the devil runs the politics, the education, the business, and so on.

The Kingdom of Heaven to Dominate All the Affairs of Life

However, God intended for the subjects of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN to control education, to control business, to control politics, and to control everything else.

It always makes me laugh when somebody says that a servant of God should not be in politics; that God's children should not be in politics.

Well, who is going to run the politics? Are we to let the devil do it?

When you pray, "THY KINGDOM come," what is it that you want?

The coming of GOD'S KINGDOM means THE RULE OF GOD in your heart, in your home, in your business, in the State, in the Nation; it means that the Bible will be the supreme Law Book, the Guide, the Chart, and that all questions and propositions will be settled by it; it means the burial of individualism, and the establishment of Christian co-operation; it means that all shall live for each, and each for all; it means the elimination of selfishness; it means the destruction of the constituent elements of the individualistic system, which makes one-half of the world toil for the other half, and which enables a part to live in luxury while the rest live in poverty.

"THY KINGDOM come."

What is the next?—"Thy will be done on *earth*," Jesus said, "as it is in Heaven."

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN means the will of God being done ON EARTH, as it is done in Heaven—in THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Now, I have a subject today that has made some people very angry.

How does it read?—"The Apostate Preachers and Churches sending more People to Hell than the Saloons."

Apostate preachers!

I wonder if you know what that expression means? If you do not, and you cannot be made to understand it by the reading of the Word, then some day you will understand it in the light of events that are bound to transpire.

Multitudes Sent to Hell Because of the Apostate Churches

The apostate preachers—the world is full of them; Chicago has them by the hundreds—and the apostate churches are sending more people to hell than the saloons.

Now, I know about how that strikes the average person—about how it strikes the average church member; because, you know it and I know it, the average church member knows very little about the Christianity that the Lord Jesus Christ came to this earth to teach.

What does the average church member know about DISCIPLESHIP, as demanded by the Son of God?

I am aware of the fact that the subject I have announced strikes most people as very peculiar, and makes some very angry; because, while you will find a few devoted to the Lord and to the Christian religion, you will find hundreds and thousands giving their time and strength and life to some wretched denomination or sect, and all you have to do to stir up the devil in them is to scratch their hides.

Some people say, "Why, what awful institutions the saloons are, and yet Mr. Voliva says the preachers and churches are sending more people to hell than they are! What an awful thing to say!"

That is precisely what I say, and, more than that, I am prepared to prove it.

It is a good deal like a story I heard once. A father was getting ready to go to Europe, and just before he went, his son, who had studied law, said, "Father, I am thinking some of running for office."

The father said, "My boy, I wouldn't do it. You know, the moment a man announces himself a candidate for office, certain fellows get together and vilify him, and besmirch his name; and if there is a spot on him, from the time he was a baby in his mother's arms down to the day he announces his candidacy, they will rake it up and flout it before the public."

The father went off to Europe, and the boy did not take his advice. He ran for office, but was defeated. The moment he announced himself as a candidate they started in and raked his life with a fine-tooth comb. They went back into all the records, and they raked up some things he had done when he was a boy in school, and other things that had happened when he was in law school—things he had done in some law suits and so on.

When his father came home, he said, "Did you take my advice?"

He said, "No, I did not."

"What did you do?"

"I ran for office."

"Didn't I tell the truth when I said they would rake up everything they could against you?"

The boy said, "You did; and what was worse, Father, they proved it."

And so I propose to prove my statement, and that will be still worse. It is bad enough for me to have to say it, but it is a whole lot worse when it is proven true.

A Hireling Ministry Compelled to Please the People

Now then, in the first place, we have today a company of men called ministers. There are hundreds of them, and there are different ways to identify them. Some of them can be singled out because they wear a pancake hat, a dog collar buttoned wrong side before, and, in addition to that, a ministerial cravat. Sometimes they can be picked out by their red noses. I can pick out many a parson in Chicago by his nose; I would know him by his nose entirely aside from his garb. And there are various other ways to pick them out.

These fellows stand up in various church buildings, and each one says, "I am a minister;" and they demand a salary just like a lawyer, for instance.

You know, I say to a lawyer, "What will you charge to take this case?" He says, "One hundred dollars a day;" or, "One thousand dollars a day," as the case may be. And so it is with the rank and file of these preachers, they say, "I will come for twelve hundred dollars;" or, "I will come for fifteen hundred dollars;" and in some country places, "I will come for four yellow-legged chickens and six gallons of apple-butter."

And so, like anybody else, their services are for sale.

Now then, every man who poses as a preacher and who puts a price on his services, is thereby becoming a stumbling-block to humanity; and millions have been caused to stumble by this practice.

You cannot find any place in the Bible where Paul ever made a contract to preach in Thessalonica for "fifteen hundred per." You cannot find any place in the Bible where a man, who went out as a preacher of the Gospel, put a price on his services, and said, "Give me so much, or I do not come; you can go to hell for all I care."

These men who put a price on their services have caused millions to stumble and to go the way of the world; for they say, "How can we have any confidence in men who go before the public and say they are called to preach the Gospel, and yet who must have twelve hundred, or fifteen hundred, or five thousand dollars a year before they will come."

Now then, in the face of all their preaching, multitudes are going to hell; and I say they do not preach the Gospel—they do not get within gun-shot of it!

You know it as well as I do!

What is the Gospel?

The Gospel of the Kingdom not Proclaimed by a Hireling Ministry

The Gospel of THE KINGDOM—the Glad Tidings of THE KINGDOM—is that Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, has come to this earth and died on Calvary as a sacrifice for our sins; that men and women must repent; that they must be "born again," and be-

come "new creatures" in Christ Jesus; that they must be crucified; that they must give up the world, the flesh, and the devil and take their places under the banner of King Jesus, Who will come as King of kings and Lord of lords.

Do these ministers preach the Gospel?

No!

And, more than that, they *cannot* do it; and I will show you, in just one minute, why they cannot do it.

Now, here is a man who has just graduated from college, and he comes out and says, "I want twelve hundred dollars a year."

Finally some church, so-called, sends him an invitation to come and preach. They say, "Come and preach on Lord's Day morning, at eleven o'clock, and we will see how we like you."

So he gets before the mirror and slicks up the best he can—fixes up his shoes, puts on his Prince Albert suit, and so on; because he is going on exhibition, you know, just like a horse at the county fair.

The audience assembles, and the Right Reverend Dr. Squilgees appears. Of course, he wants to do his best, because he is on parade, and he knows they are likely to have fifty or sixty other candidates.

In a town where I preached, the Congregational Church had ninety-four candidates for its pulpit; and when they got through with about thirty of them, they were so split up and divided that they nearly went to pieces.

Well, this fellow comes before the people, you know, all fixed up as fine as a fiddle. He is going to preach his trial sermon, and he hopes he will get a call; because twelve hundred dollars looks mighty big to him.

Now, is he going to preach the Gospel, or is he going to say every nice, smooth thing he can, to tickle the ears of the people and get into their good graces?

He is going to do the latter!

A Salaried Ministry a Stumbling-Block to God's Kingdom

After he gets through he goes back into the anteroom, and they have a church meeting. They are interested to know whether he is a single man, or a man with a wife and nineteen children—greatly interested to know. Some one says, "How did you like him?" One old woman says, "I didn't like the shape of his shoes," as though that had anything to do with the fellow's head.

However, finally, to make a long story short and save God Almighty's time, they conclude to give him a call. They say, "All in favor of extending a call to Brother Squilgees, stand!" "All opposed!"—and there are three opposed. You know, there are some people in this world who are so infernal contrary that they fight with themselves half the time in order to keep up the interest.

Now then, this fellow comes to preach for these people.

Notice how he comes!

He comes for *twelve hundred dollars a year*.

By whom is it paid?

Here sits a banker down here, who is known to be an adulterer; but he has lots of money, and he pays five hundred of that twelve hundred dollars a year. Brother Squilgees thinks of that five hundred dollars as he stands up here, and he knows the moment he opens his mouth against uncleanness, off will come his head in short order.

Now then, ladies and gentlemen, I am striking absolutely at a salaried ministry. I say there is not one word in the Bible to justify a man who is called of God in putting a price on his services; and when he does it he is a stumbling-block—a cause of offense. When a man hires out to a congregation he is nothing but a puppy dog, and he does not dare to bark except when they pull the string.

Now, my father, who was a lawyer, right on this basis never had any use for the churches, and never would pay a preacher a cent. He would pay a janitor or a man who kept the cemetery; because he said they earned an honest living.

I have been thinking it over a little lately, and I think he was about right.

Cowardly Ministers Afraid to Witness Against Iniquity

How can a man preach the Gospel when he is a slave?

I have known of cases where a woman bossed the church with a high hand, and where the preacher did not dare to call his soul his own.

I remember seeing a woman go up to a preacher who said

something she did not like, and she stuck her finger in his face and told him where to get off at. That is what she did!

That is a nice piece of business!

I knew a Methodist minister who came from his secret closet burdened over the dancing of his young people, and he stood up and denounced dancing as the gateway to hell. They held a meeting after that sermon and invited him to leave.

That is a nice state of affairs, is it not?

Once in a while you will find one—one out of a thousand—who gets brave enough to launch out a little; but he is shut up mighty quick.

Why, you take "Billy" Sunday—for whom I have no use and in whom I have no more confidence than I have in the devil—not one bit! I have not an iota of confidence in him! He is the biggest coward on the American platform today! I know of no man who poses as a minister who can get within gunshot of him as a coward!

He knows better than to open his mouth for five minutes against anything!

I have a report of his Kansas City sermon; and I have his Omaha sermons in book form.

When he preaches against tobacco, he says, "Boys, you should not smoke cigarettes; if you will smoke, buy a *pipe*."

That is "Billy" Sunday!

And the dirty, stinking old Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, Roman Catholics, and Congregationalists sitting there, do they take any offense at that?

Oh, no!

Well, is it any worse for John Tweedaddle to smoke a cigarette, than it is for old Peter Ax-handle to smoke a pipe?

I condemn the whole dirty, stinking business! That is the only thing for a minister of God Almighty to do.

Why, he could not condemn anything. I would like to know something he does condemn—I would like to know *one thing* he condemns!

I have read his sermons. Why, he is not against the theater, nor ladies' clubs, nor secret societies, nor tobacco—what is he against?

His trump card is "booze;" because it is very popular to fight "booze" today, very popular.

Saloons the Devil's Institution for the Destruction of Humanity

Now then, take the saloons! Of course, they are the devil's institutions, and I would not hesitate a minute, if I were governor or president, and had the authority under the Constitution, by one stroke of my pen to close up every saloon and brewery and prohibit the manufacture of alcohol absolutely; but I am going to be fair to the saloon-keeper, the poor devil.

He is in a bad business—an awful business! It is a dreadful thing for a man to wash his hands in Chicago river water, and bathe his face, and then put on a white apron and stand behind a bar and sell liquid fire and distilled damnation to husbands and fathers and sons.

However, I am going to be just to the poor saloon-keeper.

When my work is done, and I am introduced to the devil, I am going to compel him to say that I was fair and just in all my battles; for it is only by fighting in accordance with the principles of justice that a man will ever win a victory that is worth anything.

The poor saloon-keeper sells two things, and only two things—he sells alcohol, which is a deadly poison, and he sells nicotine, which is a worse poison.

I can produce authors here, and show that tobacco is doing more damage today in this world than all the intoxicating liquors put together; because the use of tobacco has an air of respectability about it—it is insidious, and it does its deadly work quietly.

Now, notice! The saloon-keeper sells alcohol and tobacco. I condemn them both. Thank God neither one ever went down my throat, or into my mouth. I am thankful to God I can say I have never touched either tobacco or alcohol in my life. They are deadly poisons, and they are very destructive.

However, while the saloon keeper sells these two things (alcohol and tobacco), which I condemn, I would like to know how you make out that he is the worst man in Chicago.

Now, if you will listen for a minute, just in passing I will go over a very interesting list that I have here of the different drinks that the saloon-keeper sells, with the percentage of alcohol in each one.

In the first place, he sells lager beer. What is the percentage of alcohol in American lager beer? The percentage is 3.8—less than four per cent.

To continue, he sells:

Hard cider, 5 percentage of alcohol

French claret, 8 percentage of alcohol

American champagne, 8 percentage of alcohol

Rhine wine, 9 percentage of alcohol

Champagne, 10 percentage of alcohol

French white wine, 10.3 percentage of alcohol

Gin, 30 percentage of alcohol

Whisky (American common), 35 percentage of alcohol

Whisky (Scotch-Irish), 40 percentage of alcohol

Whisky (American best), 43 percentage of alcohol

Brandy, 47 percentage of alcohol

Rum, 60 percentage of alcohol

That is what the saloon-keeper sells, aside from tobacco.

Now, when it comes to the preachers and the churches, what are they doing?

Few Ministers in the World Divinely-Called

In the first place, the rank and file of preachers never were called by God Almighty! If you know of any of them who have been called by God Almighty, and who can present their Divine credentials, I would like to see them.

If God Almighty does not call a man to the ministry, he will never be able to preach! If a man takes up the ministry just as a man takes up law, or blacksmithing, or mechanical engineering, or plumbing, or banking, or any one of the many other secular professions, as the world uses the word "secular"—if a man takes up the ministry on the same basis, he will be a curse to the people; for he is in it only for the money.

Another thing, there are a lot of fellows who go into the ministry who are absolutely useless for anything under the heavens.

Why, it is astounding the funny looking things that go into the ministry!

I think of that old story of the wealthy father and mother who had four sons.

One of the boys, little Tim, could not learn anything in school, was always stupid, and looked silly.

One night the father and mother were discussing what they would make out of these boys. They took up the oldest one first, George. The mother said, "George has always been very bright in school, and he is nice looking, I think we ought to send him to a law school."

The father said, "That seems good to me; I guess that is what we had better do."

Then they took up the second son, Daniel. The mother said, "Daniel has made good grades and has had a good standing right along; he seems bright and has been a good boy, I think we ought to make a college professor out of him."

The father said, "That looks good to me. We will send him away for further preparation and make a college professor out of him."

Next they came to the third son, Samuel. The mother said, "He is not quite as bright as the other two boys, but, after all, he is a pretty smart boy—what will we make out of him?"

"Oh," the father said, "we will make a doctor out of him"—great honor, you know, to have him understand all about quinine and pills and squills, and how to cut a fellow's leg off and not let him die, and all the rest of it.

So they agreed that he should be a doctor, and they sent him off to Rush Medical College and rushed him as fast as they could.

Well, finally they came to poor simple Tim. "Now," the father said, "little Tim never did have much sense; never seemed to be able to learn anything, and we have never been able to make anything out of him—what can we make out of him?"

The mother said, "Oh, he will do for the ministry."

That often happens. There are hundreds of men in the ministry just of that kind, who are not fit for anything else under the sun.

The Wall of the Country to Raise Ministers' Salaries

What did you read here a few months ago in the daily papers? Why, you read the wail from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Gulf to the Great Lakes, that the average salary

of the Baptist ministers in the United States is four hundred and seventy-four dollars a year; that the average salary of the Methodist ministers is only a little more. The average salary of Congregational and Presbyterian ministers is a little higher; because when you get down into New York and the New England states—Saratoga, Haverhill, New Bedford, Worcester, Boston, and so on—they pay some pretty good salaries.

Well now, there is a wail from ocean to ocean that the ministers are starving to death, the poor fellows; but the Word of God says, "The laborer is worthy of his hire."

That is what the Word of God says!

Now then, the preachers back up the doctors, and say that theirs is a Divine profession.

I have not attended one for a good while, and I do not intend to attend one again soon, but I have taken in missionary conventions and listened to grand (?) speeches—to statements like this (when a fellow was reaching the climax or peroration of his oration), for instance: "Ladies and gentlemen, I am here to impress upon your minds that the Medical Profession should walk hand in hand with the Ministry; that Medicine and the Christian Religion are twin-sisters."

I have heard that. Have you ever heard it?

When a man of that kind pretends to fight the saloons, what confidence can anyone have in him?

This man here (Elder Taylor) used to be a Methodist preacher, and he was a Freemason. You used tobacco, too, did you not?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "Sometimes.")

Yes, you were an all around bad egg, until Dr. Dowie found you and cleaned you up. He cleaned you up properly, too, did he not? Thank God for the ministry of John Alexander Dowie. You were not the only parson who was cleaned up and put straight through his ministry.

This man here (Apostle Carey) was a Methodist preacher in Australia. Do you remember a church in Clifton Hill whose women went from house to house, and said, "We want all the men of the house to attend a "smoker" in our church, when a prize of so much money will be given to the man who can keep his pipe lit the longest"?

(APOSTLE CAREY: "Yes, sir.")

I do not remember whether that was St. Paul's church, or St. Luke's church, or whose church it was. It must have been the devil's church!

Why did Apostle Carey come into ZION? Because he was sick and tired of the whole dirty, filthy, stinking mess and wanted to go to a place where they had some Christianity and lived Christian lives.

Now then, ladies and gentlemen, you have been brought up in the wrong way; you have had wrong teaching. There is your trouble!

An Apostate Ministry Endorsing So-called Medical Science

Think of a man who poses as a minister and a believer in the Word of God, who will say that doctors are sent from God!

Well now, I would like to know which doctor God sent. Did he send the Allopath, the Homeopath, the Osteopath, the Isopath, the Neuropath—or which one of these "paths" that lead to the graveyard did God send?

I put out a reward of one thousand dollars in Melbourne once, for one word between the lids of the Bible in favor of doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives.

When a man makes the statement that God Almighty has anything to do with drugs, or anything to do with operations, he is going absolutely contrary to the Bible.

When any man uses the expression "medical science," he is either an ignoramus or intentionally dishonest!

There is not a fair-minded scholar in the United States but who will admit there is not a scintilla of medical science in this world.

There is no such a thing as medical science!

Science means *absolute knowledge*, gained by correct observations, and verified.

Where is your medical science?

Have they a cure for one single thing?

No!

Twelve thousand people died in this City, during the winter months, of influenza alone. Six hundred and sixty-six, according to the statistical report, died in this City of pneumonia during the month of December.

The people die of diphtheria, of scarlet fever, of whooping cough, of rheumatism, of diabetes, of cancer, of Bright's disease; and they die of these diseases in the face of all of your thousands of doctors and drug stores and hospitals—they die, and they die, and they continue to die, and you have not a cure for anything under the sun!

You know it!

I say that these Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, and Roman Catholic ministers are sending ninety-nine people to the bottomless pits of hell, for every *one* that the saloons of Chicago send there. Listen!

Divine Healing Based on a Covenant between God and His People

In Exodus 15:26, in the Covenant of Divine Healing, what does God Almighty say?

You might line up all the preachers of Chicago and ask them to tell you where the Covenant of Divine Healing is, and if you offered them fifty dollars apiece, I will guarantee they could not do it.

In Exodus 15:26, God Almighty says to you:

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandment, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have (permitted to be) brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord (Jehovah-Rophi) Who healeth thee—or, "Who keepeth thee."

Now then, when a lawyer draws up a contract, he says, "This agreement is made this Fifteenth day of May, 1916, between John Brown, party of the first part, and William Smith, party of the second part." And then John Brown, party of the first part, agrees to certain stipulations, and William Smith, party of the second part, agrees to certain stipulations.

Here is a contract—a Divine contract. God Almighty says to you, "Are you ready to enter into it, this afternoon, and sign it?"

God says, "If you will do four things, I will do one thing—I will see to it that you never are sick."

That is the contract that God Almighty has put out.

Have you signed it, Taylor?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "Yes, sir.")

When did you sign it?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "In the year 1899.")

Did your family sign it?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "Yes, sir.")

How many sons and daughters have you?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "Seven.")

Are they all in the ark of safety—have you them all with you in Jesus the Christ?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "Yes, sir. Four of them never tasted medicine.")

Apostle Carey, when did you sign this contract?

(APOSTLE CAREY: "In 1902, in the City of Melbourne, Australia.")

How many children have you?

(APOSTLE CAREY: "Seven.")

Are they all in the ark of safety?

(APOSTLE CAREY: "Yes, sir.")

What a beautiful thing!

The Blessing of Having the Entire Family in the Ark of Safety

You know, in the seventh of Genesis, when the Ark was finished and God was ready to fulfill His word, He said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the ark."

Now then, Apostle Carey has seven children, and Elder Taylor has seven children. Have you fellows called the roll lately?

There was a Methodist preacher whom I knew when I was a boy, who had sixteen children—eight boys and eight girls. It was a fine family.

Oh, is it not a great deal nicer to have the sons and daughters all saved—all in the ark of safety?

Elder Taylor, do your sons and daughters ever say anything about going to a theater?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "No, sir.")

Do they ever say anything about going to a dance?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "No, sir.")

No! They are interested in the Bible, in the prayer meeting, and in doing something for God.

Now, here is a Roman Catholic, for instance, who claims to be a Christian.

Do not misunderstand me! I am not saying there are not Roman Catholics who are Christians. I believe there are some of them who are Christians; but I believe there are many of them who are incarnate devils. You know it as well as I do!

I believe there are some Roman Catholics who, up to their light, are Christian men and women; but there are numbers of them who do not know any more about religion than a hog knows about Sunday!

You do not mean to tell me that drunkards are Christians, do you?

No!

I am not saying there are not Methodists who are Christians; for I believe there are some. If you will find me a real good old-fashioned Methodist, of the John Wesley type, I will show you a saint; but they are mighty scarce articles.

The Methodist bishops have all gone the way of Baal; they have all bowed the knee to Baal in a Masonic lodge room.

Vast Number of Ministers Members of Secret Orders

When you listen to your Methodist bishop you are listening to a man who has taken a vow that he will not violate the purity of the wife, mother, daughter, or sister of a Master Mason. Nothing is said about the grandmother or the aunts; mention is made only of the wife, the mother, the sister, and the daughter.

Taylor, is that the vow you took?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "Yes, sir.")

Yes, you had to take it, did you not?

I say it is a dreadful thing for any man, I do not care who he is, to go into a Masonic Lodge room and kneel down and take a vow: "I furthermore promise and swear"—now, there is no use for you Masons to get angry; you might just as well smile a little bit, you know—"I furthermore promise and swear that I will not violate the chastity"—or, as it is written in some Masonic rituals, "that I will not have illicit carnal intercourse with the wife, mother, sister, or daughter of a Master Mason, if I know her to be such."

The inference is, that if you do not know it there is no restraint.

They exempt those four—the wife, mother, sister, or daughter of a Master Mason; but how about the wife, mother, sister, or daughter of some man who is not a Master Mason?

Is it not a strange thing that people have not sense enough to see it? It is the strangest thing in the world to me that people have not sense enough to see it!

These fellows tell about what a venerable Order the Masonic Lodge is.

Were you (addressing Elder Taylor) Chaplain of the Masonic Lodge for eight years?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "I was.")

Did you dare mention the Name of Jesus the Christ in the Masonic Lodge?

(ELDER TAYLOR: "I never mentioned it once during those eight years.")

Think of that! He was a Methodist minister, Chaplain of the Masonic Lodge, and for eight years he denied his Lord Who bought him with His blood!

That is a nice Order for Methodist bishops and preachers to belong to, is it not?

The Meaning of Actually Believing the Bible

I ask you this question, ladies and gentlemen: Do you believe the Bible?

I say this afternoon—and let it ring throughout Chicago!—I am the only minister in Chicago who believes the Bible!

Write that down!

There is not another one!

There is not another minister in the City of Chicago who believes the Bible—not one!

Now, I know what people say. I had a long letter from a fellow in this City, and he called me everything under the sun.

I repeat, I am the only minister in Chicago who believes the Bible!

Listen!

Do you say you believe the Bible?

Do you believe in Divine Healing, and do you live it? If

you are not living it, what do you do with the Covenant of Divine Healing?

In Isaiah 53:4 we find that wonderful prophecy concerning Jesus:

Surely He hath borne our sicknesses and carried our sorrows.

In Matthew 8:16-17, we are told that Jesus healed the sick,

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

Now then, if Divine Healing is in the Atonement, and you do not believe it and live it, but substitute doctors and drugs, are you not trampling the blood of Christ underneath your feet?

Now, why be so hard on the saloon-keeper, when the preachers and the churches are hand in hand with the druggist?

I have a list here of some of the patent medicines sold by the druggists, and I want you to listen while I read it.

Drugs Contain More Alcohol than Saloon Beverages

Here is *Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound*, eighteen per cent. alcohol. The druggist sells it to the ministers, and the preachers and the churches back it up.

Paine's Celery Compound, eighteen per cent. alcohol—and they have numerous statements by ministers of various denominations.

When a minister condemns a saloon-keeper for selling beer (3.8 per cent. alcohol), and then goes and buys a bottle of patent medicine that is eighteen per cent. alcohol, and swills it, he is an infernal hypocrite; and I have no more confidence in him than in the devil himself!

To continue, here is *Wine of Cardui*, twenty per cent. alcohol; *Paul's Great Discovery* (this has no reference to St. Paul), forty-three per cent. alcohol; *Hamlin's Wizard Oil*, sixty-five per cent. alcohol; *Hostetter's Stomach Bitters*—

That is the old standby! Ever since I was a boy I have noticed preachers drinking Hostetter's Bitters, and now I know why they were drinking it—it is FORTY-FOUR PER CENT. ALCOHOL!

There is no use for a man to drink beer (3.8 per cent. alcohol), when he can get good old "Hostetter's," which contains forty-three per cent.

O Consistency, thou art a jewel!

Oh, I do thank God for ZION!

One man said to me, "Why, Mr. Voliva, we are fighting the liquor traffic!"

I said, "The trouble with you fellows, and the reason you never get anywhere, you are trying to cut a little piece of the dog's tail off at a time."

You know, there is a story told of a man who took fifteen days to cut his dog's tail off. Every day the neighbors heard the dog yelling, and when they investigated the man told them he was cutting just a little piece of the dog's tail off each day, so it wouldn't hurt so badly.

Well now, ZION cuts the dog's tail off right behind the ears, and does it at one operation. We cut off tobacco, intoxicating liquors, drugs, and so on, all at one time.

That is the proper thing.

Damnable Socials and Theatricals given in Churches

Now then, these preachers and churches are engaged in other things. Here are the announcements of church affairs, most of them given by churches right here in Chicago.

"TRUNK MURDER MYSTERY TRIAL, at Hope Presbyterian Church!"

Think of young people giving such a thing—the trial of a man who courted a girl, married her, cut her throat, and stuffed her body in a trunk and hid it in a vacant lot!

The young people of Hope Presbyterian Church gave that mock trial. What could you expect from young people who would engage in a thing of that kind?

"POVERTY SOCIAL, given by St. Agnes Guild."

I do not know who she was; never met her.

"CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHICKEN FRY AND PIG ROAST."

Think of that, when God's Word says, "Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcass shall ye not touch: they are unclean to you!"—Deuteronomy 14:8.

Think of a church, bearing the Name of the Lord, having a pig roast and selling the stuff to keep the parson out of the poorhouse!

"CHICKEN-FISH FRY! Here's your chance to get a good supper and to have a good time!"

"FANCY DRESS DRILLS!"

"DUDE DRILL!"

That must have been interesting; I suppose the preacher led them.

"DANCE OF ARABIAN MAIDENS!"

"BLACKBIRD BALLET!"

"CHEW GLUE SISTERS, IN SONG AND DANCE SPECIALTIES!"

I have gathered these, among hundreds of others, in twelve months' time, as they have been reported by different church and secular papers. I have reports of many of these things which have been given during the last twelve months by the so-called churches in the United States, principally in the eastern and middle states.

And they do it—what for?

To raise money!

Multitudes Start on their Road to Hell Through an Unfaithful Church

I ask you, as intelligent men and women, whether churches that indulge in these things are not driving people to hell by the multitudes?

Consequently, what is the condition today?

I will tell you what the condition is—great masses of the people never darken a church door! And I do not blame them!

I would a million times rather be a sinner, than an infernal hypocrite!

I tell you, when a man comes up to me and says, "Mr. Voliva, I am a sinner; I make no profession," I say, "Give me your hand, my boy!"

I can shake hands with a man of that kind—a man who is not a hypocrite.

When a Presbyterian deacon goes into the back door of a saloon and drinks whisky until his nose is as red as a beet, and then goes to church on Sunday and helps to take up the collection—the infernal hypocrite!—how can anyone have any confidence in him?

Saloon-keepers do not pretend to be this, that, and the other thing; they are what they are. Whatever else they may be, they are not hypocrites.

A lot of these preachers in Chicago are nothing but hypocrites and liars, and they are in the ministry for the dollars they get out of it. They are all the time fussing about their salary.

The Word of God is true!

I would like to meet the man who can prove it a lie!

Prayer Answered for the Sick when Conditions are Fulfilled

I say there is salvation for every man, and there is healing for every sick man and woman; but it is a difficult thing to get people to surrender to God.

Why, if the power-house down here in the City of Chicago is all right, and the wire connecting that power-house with that chandelier is in A-I order, and that chandelier is equipped perfectly and in good order, what will be the result?

LIGHT!

And so I say to the consumptive, to the cancer patient, to the lame, to the blind, to the deaf, to the halt, to one and all, that if you abide in Jesus and His Words abide in you, you can ask for your healing and you will get it.

You have to make the surrender!

Now then, I cannot do anything; I am powerless.

Can the wire running from the power-house to this chandelier give light?

Not much!

That is all I am—a wire. I can put my hand in God Almighty's hand, and touch you, and if you are all right the blessing will come; if you are not, there will be no blessing.

You may have forty rods of wire and ten rods of fishing-poles, and you may work at the power-house and on that chandelier for one thousand years, and you will never get any light.

The Bible says, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper;" and again, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me."

My brothers and sisters, would you like to see this young lady whose photograph appears on this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING (Volume 38, No. 7)?

Will Miss Myhre come upon the platform, please?

I will tell you how she got her healing when she was afflicted with that cancer—she got it by refusing to compromise! When people wanted her to do certain things, she said, "I will go to my grave before I will compromise!" And I do not wonder that God healed her and made her perfectly whole. He is able to do the same for you and for me, too.

Wonderful Healing of Cancer, in Zion

Now, this is Miss Athol Myhre. Is that your photograph (pointing to LEAVES OF HEALING)?

(MISS MYHRE: "Yes, sir.")

Is that your testimony?

(MISS MYHRE: "Yes, sir.")

Is that testimony true?

(MISS MYHRE: "Yes, sir.")

I will ask anybody here who saw that cancer before it was healed to stand up. (A number stood.)

Deacon Bull, what was the length of the cancer as you saw it?

(DEACON BULL: "From one-half inch to an inch in length.")

Is that your recollection, Valkenaar?

(DEACON VALKENAAR: "Yes, sir.")

McNeill?

(DEACON MCNEILL: "Yes, sir.")

Well, you do not see anything of it now, do you?

I tell you, it is the uncompromising spirit!

If there are any of you sitting here this afternoon who are afflicted, and you say, "I am going to the Tuesday afternoon meeting, and I am going to trust God—I am going to trust God no matter what father, mother, brother, or sister says," you will get your healing.

You will never get your healing by compromising; because it is impossible to serve God and Mammon.

There is this young lady's testimony, and you can get the paper and read it for yourself.

I do thank God for His healing power!

It would not make any difference if I were to take sick and die tomorrow. Somebody might say, "Look at Voliva! He has been in Chicago preaching Divine Healing, and now he is sick and dying."

Well, that would only mean that Voliva had fallen short—failed to attain the standard. Yonder is the goal, let God's people keep their eyes on it and go forward! Then you will get salvation and healing and cleansing, and you will be prepared for the coming of the King.

You know, there have been people who have come to these Tuesday afternoon Divine Healing meetings determined to trust God. They have gone home and some one has said to them, "Where have you been?"

"Down to ZION."

"Down to ZION?"

Yes, "down to ZION"—the best place on earth.

They say, "Oh, I wouldn't go there! If I could not be healed without going there, I would not be healed."

That is a nice way to talk, is it not?

I want to tell you, when you come out to Shiloh Tabernacle in ZION CITY, you will see scores of crutches there, you will see scores of plaster-of-Paris casts and high-heeled shoes—you will see one of the most interesting collections in the world!

What God has done for others He can do for You!

Do not look at men and women, look at GOD!

There are people who have salvation, who fail to get their healing.

Why?

Because a man may have been touched by the Holy Ghost, he may have repented and been regenerated and pardoned and justified, and perhaps he is being sanctified, but if he does not have faith in God he will not get his healing.

"Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

FAITH removes Mountains—Faith the Opposite of Fear

Here is God Almighty's Word, and the question is, Do you BELIEVE IT?

I say that these ministers of these apostate churches do not believe the Bible; they do not preach it and they do not live it!

I do not care what anybody says, these are the last days of the Gospel Age, and the end is at hand!

When I read the Thirteenth of Isaiah, the Second of Joel,

the Fourteenth of Zechariah, the Third and Fourth of Malachi, the Twenty-fourth of Matthew, the Twenty-first of Luke, the Thirteenth of Mark, the Third of Second Peter, the Fourth of First Timothy, the Third of Second Timothy; when I see the wars today, the earthquakes that are taking place, the famines, the pestilences, the strikes and the strife, I look up and REJOICE; for I know that the DAY OF OUR REDEMPTION is drawing nigh!

If you want to be a part of the Bride of Christ, you have to come out of Babylon and separate yourself. Do not think for a minute you can be linked up with card-players, dancers, theatergoers—people who are full of the world, the flesh, and the devil—and be a wise virgin; for you cannot do it!

The last message is now being delivered, and the command to all men is—"REPENT! CONFESS! RESTORE!" God will pardon you and you will be sanctified.

If you are to become a part of the Bride, you must get on the garment of purity and righteousness and must PAY THE PRICE. Then you will get the reward.

Any man or woman who will defend these church affairs and who will defend these patent medicines—who will defend sin and wrong-doing of any kind, I say God have mercy upon you!

The only thing that will count when the Day of Judgment comes, will be whether you have your garments washed white—purified, and the oil in your vessel—the Holy Ghost.

No Christian Flirts with the World, the Flesh and the Devil

My friends, you who are card-players, I say to you that no Christian would handle a deck of cards!

Shame on you!

You call yourself a Christian!

Shame on you who go to theaters!

What is the theater? The theater is the devil's hell-hole! No Christian would want to go to a theater!

You ask me, "Mr. Voliva, are you ever tempted to go to a theater?"

No!

"Are you ever tempted to drink whisky and chew tobacco?"

No! I should say not!

You men, what do you go to a dance hall for? The dance hall is nothing but a hell of lust—that is all it is! No Christian wants to go to a dance hall!

I have been studying the question closely as to whether a man can be a Christian and use tobacco. I say NO! I say a Christian will overcome the flesh; he will not do the works of the flesh, but the works of the spirit!

Do you say that you are a cleansed vessel, when you are full of tobacco, full of beer, full of whisky?

Do you think you will be ready for the coming of the Lord?

I tell you no—NO!

After all there is but one thing that matters, and that is what God says. Ladies and gentlemen, it does not matter what you say or what I say, the only thing that matters is what the Bible says—what God says!

The Great Responsibility of an Ambassador of Jesus the Christ

I bear a terrible responsibility, and I would not be in the ministry five minutes if God had not called me. I would rather practice law than anything else under the sun, and be a politician, so far as the individual desire is concerned. I fought this battle when I was a boy, and I gave my life to God; God has it, and He is going to have it until the breath goes out of my body.

A man who would enter the ministry when God had not called him, must be crazy; or else a wicked man.

Why, suppose a man were to say, "Good-by, I am going to London."

"What are you going there for?"

"Going over as the representative of this Government at the Court of St. James."

People would say, "That man certainly has gone crazy, would they not?"

And suppose another fellow picks up and goes off to Germany to represent the United States at the Kaiser's Government? Would he not be a fool?

However, if the President of the United States appoints a man, that is a different thing. Gerard, in the City of Berlin this afternoon, knows he has the President of the United States and the government of the United States with all the navy and army and prospective volunteers, at his back.

Our ambassador at the Court of St. James knows he has the same backing.

The German ambassador at Washington knows very well that if relations were broken off between Germany and this country, and he were handed his passports, the German Government would see that he had a safe passage home; and he knows that while he stays here, in all conflicts, he has behind him the German Government.

What did Jesus the Christ do?

After His resurrection, down there at a certain place he stood and said,—and I want you to listen to this, men and women—He said, "ALL AUTHORITY is given unto ME in heaven and on earth!"

Think of that declaration!

And then as He looked at His humble apostles, He said,

Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world (or "the age.").

When God calls a man to the ministry, he is God's ambassador—His representative or messenger; and back of that man stands God the Almighty, Who called him, it may be, before his birth; back of him stands the Son of the Eternal God, Who sits at the right hand of God the Father; back of him stands the Holy Spirit, the angels and all the government of Heaven.

The Divine Call to the Ministry

When a man is divinely called he is not called *by* the people, but he calls the people. All hell can never keep back a man who is sent of God.

I put the responsibility of this work on God.

Absolutely so!

I say, "Lord, ZION needs fifty thousand dollars. It is Your work, not mine; and, personally, it is neither here nor there whether it comes or not."

If God did not support me I would resign this position and quit; I would not continue in it five minutes, if I did not know, down in my heart, that God put me here and that He has never failed me. If I had any doubt whatever about it, I would walk off this platform and never preach another sermon.

That is my position.

I take the same position concerning ZION.

God said, through the prophets, "When the Lord shall build up ZION, He shall appear in His glory."

So the Lord cannot come today, and He cannot come until ZION is built up—until the Bride is made ready. When the Bride is made ready He will come, and not before. He has to come to something and for something.

What kind of a church is it to which the Lord will come?

A Church without "spot or wrinkle"—a perfect Church!

There will be two companies—the "spirits of just men made perfect," who have passed over the river during all the centuries, will be the first company; and the second company will be the righteous saints who will be transformed "in the twinkling of an eye"—and together they will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air; and they will stay with the Lord in the air until the "great and terrible day of the Lord" is over.

I do not expect to go through the time of tribulation. I am perfectly willing, if the Lord wants me to, but the saints will not have to go through the tribulation period.

Ah, it is bad enough now, but you wait until the Holy Ghost is taken out; you wait until the saints are taken out, and Chicago is run by harlots, thieves, and thugs! Just wait until there are no saints here, and until there is no Holy Spirit here to strive with any man's heart!

How would you like to live in it?

That is what is coming!

You can feel the breath of it right now!

The Command to Prepare for Christ's Second Coming

Christ foretold it all, and the command is, GET READY FOR CHRIST'S COMING, AND DO IT QUICKLY!

The question this afternoon is, have you repented of your sins?

Have you?—or are you covering them up?

Have you confessed your sins?

Have you made right the wrongs of your life?

The thing for you to do is to go and say to that man from whom you have stolen, "Friend, when I worked for you ten years ago I took twenty-five dollars out of your till. I am a Christian now, and I want to make it right. I have only ten dollars, but I will give you that, and as soon as I can earn the other fifteen I will give you that."

That man will say, "God bless you! I forgive you with all my heart!"

Have you stolen from the railroad company? Have you stolen rides? If you have lied about the ages of your children and gotten them through free, you are a thief, and you have to make it right!

If you have been in business and cheated and robbed the public, you will go to hell if you do not make it right!

Perhaps there is a man sitting here this afternoon who married a lovely girl. Then, after God had given you lovely children, through worry and hard work she lost her looks, and you got tired of her society and went off and took another woman. I say you are an adulterer, and you will go to hell!

The only thing for you to do is to leave that woman who is not your wife, go back to the home you have ruined, confess your wickedness, and get back where you belong.

When Jesus the Christ said, "Whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery," He meant exactly what He said.

The Churches Have Utterly Failed in their Mission

The churches in Chicago, what are they doing?

Why, the people are running hither and thither—dancing, card-playing, theater-going, swearing, blackguarding, attending moving-picture shows, lying, and so on.

What do they get in the churches?

A little mush, a little gush, a little molasses—a silly little sermon about the "sweet by-and-by," and they get up and go home and all go to hell in a bunch! You know it as well as I do! Everybody knows it!

Cowards!

They are afraid to preach the Gospel!

There is not a crime out of hell but that I can find a preacher who will defend it. There is where the trouble comes in!

Some people will go out and say, "Wasn't that horrible?"

Well, I do not care what they say! It does not make any difference to me what anybody says!

For instance, here is the Methodist Church assembled in general conference, and they are scrapping as to whether they shall not let down the bars on amusements.

Well, as one preacher got up and said, "You are opening the door for the devil and his hosts to come in."

I thank God for his courage! I will tell you what he ought to do—he ought to get up and get out of there and come into ZION. That is what he ought to do!

Christians!

Fifteen million Roman Catholics!

Six million Methodists!

Four million Baptists!

Think of "Billy" Sunday with fifteen thousand converts in one city! Why, the Millennium will be here pretty soon!

And what does it amount to? It does not amount to a row of pins!

I would like to have a chance to talk to one of "Billy's" audiences in Kansas City. They would have to call out a company of the State militia to get me out alive. It would not matter to me whether I came out alive or not, I would give them hell while I was there.

In closing, first of all you must realize that you are a sinner! As long as you think you are *somebody*, when you are a cipher with the rim rubbed out, I cannot do you any good.

You have to know you are a sinner.

Sin is Transgression of the Law!

These old Christian Scientists will tell you there is no sin. It is a lie! The world is full of sin; and you have to be convicted of sin.

Who convicts you?

The Holy Spirit!

How?

Through the preached Word!

There was one fellow in Melbourne who was going to lick me one Sunday because I said Evan Roberts' so-called revival was of the devil and would prove a curse.

Evan Roberts has been insane for years, confined in a room in the house of a friend, and his own father and brothers denied admission.

I took no stock in him!

I tell you, when you want to give yourself to God, you do it just as calmly and just as sensibly as you would do anything else.

You have to be convicted of sin, and you are convicted through the preaching of the Word.

When the Word is preached you can resist it or you can surrender.

When you surrender, and say, "I will arise and go to my Father," there repentance begins and conversion and regeneration take place.

What is conversion?

The word "conversion" comes from the Latin word "*con-vertō*." It means "to turn round." For instance, if you are going this way, and you turn round and go the other way, that is conversion. It is simply the turning of yourself to God.

Regeneration is God's Turning you to Himself

There is a difference between repentance, and bringing forth "fruits meet for repentance." "Fruits meet for repentance" involves confession and restitution—making things right.

After you have done that, God forgives your sins. It is not a matter of feeling; it is a matter of FAITH.

I say to this man, "Let me have five dollars tomorrow at two o'clock."

He says, "I will do it."

I believe him.

He says to me, "Come around to my place and plant potatoes and I will give you two dollars." I plant the potatoes and I have no doubt about the two dollars.

God says, "If we confess our sins, He is Faithful and Just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Christianity is not a matter of physical, fleshly feeling; it is a matter of principle.

I remember a fellow in Cincinnati who used to sit on the very front seat in meeting, and he would cry—oh, how he would cry!

I sold him fifty dollars' worth of canned fruit once, and the miserable wretch ate it all and never paid me a cent.

Why, there was not a merchant in that town who would trust him for a sack of flour.

I remember one time he came up to me in church and said, "Brother Voliva, I could almost see through the veil!"

His religion was physical.

Crying!

I believe in crying, but I believe in crying about something.

When you bring in a loved one here who is sick, and, after he is taught the Word of God and prayed with, he gets well, that is something to cry about.

When you bring in your husband and he gets deliverance from tobacco, that is something to cry about. I believe in that kind of crying—tears of joy!

Foolish Sensationalism in the Pulpit a Curse

However, when "Billy" Sunday goes around telling a story about Aunt Polly who died, I do not believe in that kind of sniveling. I do not take any stock in it! It is nothing but the work of the devil, that is all it is!

I knew a preacher once whose whole stock in trade was crying. One time he took a text and preached for about five minutes, when an old woman began to cry. She said, "Brother Trotter! Brother Trotter, Aunt Polly Williams is praying for us!" And some of the people began to cry; I laughed.

I never laughed out in a church meeting but twice in my life. One time was when I was a student in College and the president was preaching. He was trying to tell a little sympathetic story about something that never happened. Most of these infernal stories these preachers tell are lies, anyway.

There was a fellow who lived in that town, and they used to say he would cry if he went out to buy a cow, and he happened to be sitting right in front of me this time.

Well, you know there is always a place to cry in these stories.

Sometimes, when the preacher writes out his sermon, he writes in "Here is the place to cry." And so pretty soon I said to the fellow who was with me, "It is about time to cry now;" and, sure enough, the fellow in front of us began. I laughed right out! It was the silliest thing I ever saw in my life.

Oh, you know, crying is so much easier than repentance.

I used to be an evangelist, and I tried to do right. If I were without money now, and had no conscience, that is what I would be—a popular evangelist. I could make a vast fortune out of it. All one has to do is to be on to his job.

I used to tell a certain story. I will not take time to tell it, but I will give you the substance of it. It was the story of a Methodist preacher and his wife. I used to describe their courtship, and their respective homes—I described them so vividly that you could see the green grass growing all around. Then I told about how they were married, and a boy was born to them; how every night the father would have his boy kneel at his knee and he would put his hands upon his head. One day this boy read the story of Jesse James, and two or three mornings afterward he did not come to breakfast. The father and mother were excited and anxious, and in looking around they found a ladder from his window to the ground, but the boy was nowhere to be seen. He went out West, and finally, with the aid of another fellow, he robbed a train. He was arrested and sent to the penitentiary for life. Later on he was seized with a violent disease, and at last he fell over dead.

Is that preaching the Gospel?

I have had people come up and say, "Brother Voliva, you almost took us to heaven tonight!" And then the next day they would go out and swear like sailors and lie like troopers!

One time down East, I preached the principal sermon at the annual convention, and a great big fine-looking fellow sat in the second seat from the front. I preached on "Where is the Place of my Rest?"—describing the golden streets and the pearly gates. When I finished this man made a jump for me and said, "You almost had me in heaven, Brother Voliva!"—and he went home and beat his wife.

What do you think of that?

The Message of Repentance to be Spoken Boldly

Now, if I had preached properly, and said, "You miserable, low-down scoundrel, you are a wife-beater, and you have to repent or you will go to hell!" that would have done him more good than a beautiful flowery sermon.

I tell you, that is what is damning the people today!

Are you willing to repent?

That is the question!

I heard John Alexander Dowie in 1899, when he was preaching on Michigan Avenue near Sixteenth Street. I heard just one scathing address, and I said to myself, "By the way, there is something I have to make right."

I tell you, what he said went into my heart, and I said, "I am not going to give my life for humanity, and then fool around and go to hell at last. I propose to live a Christian life and make everything right."

I sat down and wrote a letter to a Railway Company. I told them that when I was in college a roommate of mine had traveled over their road and the conductor had failed to take up his ticket; that sometime after that, before the thirty days expired, I happened to be going over the same road and he said to me, "Here is this ticket, which has never been canceled, and you might just as well use it." I said, "I enclose you post office order to cover the price of the ticket, with six per cent interest from that date down to this one." And I sent it off to that Company; for I was a thief to that extent.

Then I wrote letters to two other gentlemen. It was a little matter like this: there were two merchants who were competing for the patronage of the students. Some of us got together and, having a grievance against one of them, decided to trade with the other one.

Across from the second man's place of business lived the Greek professor.

I went down to see this second merchant one night and told him our story, and he was very glad to have our trade. On my way back I had to pass the first merchant's establishment and he happened to be standing out in front. He said, "Where have you been?" Well, I was up against it, so I said, "Down to see Professor ———," and went on.

Next morning, just a little after daylight, I heard a knock on my door, and there stood Professor ———. He said, "Mr. ——— tells me you were at our house last evening. We have been wanting you to call, and I am very sorry we didn't hear you ring the bell; for we were at home." Well now, I had already told one lie, and now I had to tell another one.

Bringing Forth The Fruits Meet for Repentance

When I heard John Alexander Dowie preach—it was only a little thing, you know, but it was my intention to stand right before God, or work hard at it—I wrote those two gentlemen a letter and explained the whole thing. I am glad I did it; they understand it now, and it is all cleared up.

And now if I knew of another thing in my life that was not right, I would make it right if I had to die for it.

I knew a man from a western city who came into Central Zion Tabernacle and listened to just such a talk as this one: for this is a characteristic ZION talk. He went out of that building and wrote out a check for six hundred dollars and sent it to the county treasurer. He sent a letter with it, saying, "I lied to the assessor and beat the county out of six hundred dollars taxes. Find my check herewith enclosed."

There is a man in ZION CITY this afternoon who had been a Baptist for twenty-five years. When he heard John Alexander Dowie preach on repentance, he sat down and wrote a letter to the president of a certain railway company, saying, "I have been stealing from you for twenty years, and I enclose check covering the entire amount stolen, with interest computed as nearly as I know how." He received a letter from the president of that company, and he said, "I know nothing of Dowie or his religion, but if his preaching can bring forth such fruit as this, I say Godspeed to him."

That is what makes an impression upon the world.

I sent a woman in Cincinnati to the street railway company to pay for fares she had stolen twenty-five years before.

That is what counts!

When I was a boy J. T. Phillips held a revival meeting, and a certain man professed conversion who had owed a man in his neighborhood ten dollars for about ten or fifteen years. I remember that man said, "Well, So-and-so has professed conversion, but I will not have any confidence in him until he comes and pays me that money or else makes some arrangement to pay it."

That man hit the nail on the head!

ZION stands for confession and restitution!

A man who is a Christian will not cut an inch off his yardstick, he will not sell sixteen hundred pounds of coal for a ton, and he will not put the nice strawberries on the top of the box and all the little runty ones on the bottom.

May God convict you, and bring you to repentance.

May God bless you!

The General Overseer than pronounced the

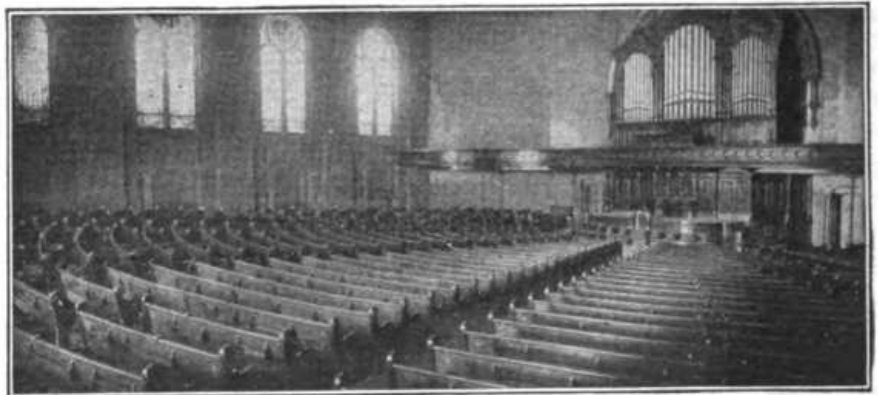
BENEDICTION

May the grace of God the Father, the communion of the Holy Spirit the Comforter, the peace of the Blessed Christ, be with this company. We have lovingly and kindly and patiently and earnestly preached the Gospel of the Kingdom; we have shown them how to come to Thee, O God, and to reap that rich reward that will be granted to every one who puts his trust in Thee. We pray Thee that Thou wilt stir this City—rouse them, O God! Bless the efforts put forth here for righteousness. Bless the message that is being given to the people, calling them to forsake their sinful ways. Dismiss us now with the richest of Thy blessings. Keep us faithful and steadfast until Jesus comes, in His Name and for His sake we ask it; Amen.



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ZION HOME

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In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

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in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information, write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building,

Zion City, Illinois.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 4	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 5	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 6	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 7	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 8	60 acres	110 per acre
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No. 7.	6-room house, practically new, good basement, electric lights, well, cistern,	2,500.00
No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

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ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
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Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH
7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.
Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.
The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.
The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.
Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."
Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.
Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.
Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH
9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.
GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Processional
Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.
Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul
Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH
6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.
Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple.

The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

CANTATA BETHANY

Wm. ApMadoc..... W. Rhys-Herbert
Semi-Chorus from Zion White-Robed Choir.

SPECIAL NOTICE

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In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. John 7:37

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If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. John 15:7



Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. John 14:27

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He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him. John 14:21

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

AND THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM SHALL BE PREACHED IN ALL THE WORLD FOR A WITNESS UNTO ALL NATIONS; AND THEN SHALL THE END COME.—Matthew 24:14.

The Olivet discourse of our Lord contains the above prophetic words. Looking down through the centuries, He saw that there would be, in the end of the age, a time of great apostasy, and that the preaching of THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM would have to be restored, the churches having failed to continue the preaching of THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM, as taught by Him both before and after His resurrection.

For this purpose John Alexander Dowie, Elijah the Restorer, was sent—to preach THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM!

For this purpose ZION was founded—to preach THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM!

The preaching of this GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM is one of the great signs to precede the end, and the coming of the Lord in glory.

THE COMING TRIUMPH OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Babel and Babylon have had their day, and now THE KINGDOM OF GOD will stand forth—one Lord, one people, one KINGDOM.

Denominational divisions, racial differences, and national boundaries must all disappear before the onward march of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—one church, one people, one nation or KINGDOM OF GOD—the rule of God in all the earth, the triumph of our Lord and Coming King.

That the churches have signally failed to preach THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM, must be apparent to every thinking man or woman. Not only in so-called Christian lands has there been failure, but missionary efforts in heathen lands have had even greater failure.

The missionary societies have failed, because their missionaries have preached a gospel tinctured with the doctrines of their denominations, instead of THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM. They have sought to build up their own organizations, instead of "making disciples of all nations" and citizens of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

So-called Christian nations have not sought to serve and uplift the heathen nations; but have preyed upon them.

Is it any wonder that China has not accepted the Gospel at the hands of pirates?

China knows only the false teaching and living of the so-called Christian nations who have gone to her with the gospel of lust and conquest—nations who have preached peace and made war; who have preached love and lived selfishness; who have preached "Thou shalt not covet" and "Thou shalt not steal," but who have taken possession of her territory, her rivers, and her ports; who have sought her money and her trade, and who have exploited her upon every hand,—so-called Christian nations who have forced opium and other drugs upon her; who have taken whisky and tobacco, medicines and hospital supplies to her shores, in the same ships which carried the missionaries and the Bible.

Engaged in missionary work in China are some earnest Christians men and women; who have been and are victims of a false theology and a bad environment.

ZION's two faithful officers in Shanghai, China — Apostle Francis M. Royall and Elder C. F. Viking—were of this number. THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM reached them, through LEAVES OF HEALING, while they were engaged in missionary labors. They accepted the truth, and now are preaching THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM—to the dismay of missionary societies in that land.

The story of their coming into ZION is very interesting, and we are glad to be able to present, to the readers of this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING, the testimony of Elder C. F. Viking.

His work has been done faithfully, amid all the trying conditions that have prevailed in that land of unrest and misrule.

Let all ZION pray for ZION in China, and for her faithful officers and members there.

ZION is the only organization that preaches THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM. ZION's work is that of preparing the people for THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

ZION ALONE HAS THE VISION OF THE KINGDOM

The churches preach the Gospel, but lose sight of THE KINGDOM. Theirs is a limited Gospel, while ZION's is THE FULL GOSPEL—covering spirit, soul, and body—things earthly as well as things heavenly or spiritual.

Christ is to reign upon this earth, and a people and a KINGDOM must be made ready for His coming. The principles of the Theocracy must be proclaimed and put into operation, in keeping with the government of the Millennium.

ZION alone is attempting any such work!

A KINGDOM OF GOD city—ZION CITY—has been planted on the shores of Lake Michigan, and a little beginning made toward the establishment of GOD'S KINGDOM on earth.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done IN EARTH, as it is in Heaven.—Matthew 6:10.

When God's Kingdom comes in its fulness, it will fill the whole earth, and there will be no opposing governments.

When God's will is done on earth, there will be nothing contrary to His will—no rebellion, no sin, no sickness, no death—the glory of Heaven on earth.

If we do not live to see it consummated, then our children shall see it, and we shall return, after the Rapture, with the Lord, and help again in the full and complete establishment of THE KINGDOM OF GOD on earth.

Only those who accept and live THE KINGDOM principles will be in THE KINGDOM.

Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God....

Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God.—John 3:3, 5.

ZION's message to China, and to all the peoples of earth, is: "YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN."

ZION, THE KINGDOM OF GOD, is composed of "twice born" men—born of the flesh and born of the Spirit.

The voice of God's prophet rings out from ZION's platform with this great message!



ELDER C. F. VIKING

The same messages goes out in the LEAVES OF HEALING!

It is a KINGDOM call!

Jesus said:

My Kingdom is not OF this world.—John 18:36.

They are not OF the world, even as I am not OF the world (but they are IN the world).—John 17:16.

The prince OF this world cometh.—John 14:30.

The reign of the prince of this world is soon to end; the lease of the Gentile nations has reached the time of its expiration; the governments of this earth must soon give way to God's nation—ZION—THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a Kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the Kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.—Daniel 2:44.

...And the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole EARTH.—Daniel 2:35.

Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for a new heaven and a new EARTH, wherein dwelleth righteousness.—II. Peter 3:13.

THE WORLD-WIDE SUPREMACY OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

We preach THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM to prepare subjects for God's Kingdom: for before THE KINGDOM can come upon earth, it must be in the hearts of men, and before THE KINGDOM is set up on earth, the King must come.

ZION is THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

Today it exists only in embryo; but it has all the characteristics of THE KINGDOM.

When the King comes to ZION, as He will, then ZION shall burst forth in all its Kingdom glory and power, and shall fill the whole earth.

ZION prays, "Thy Kingdom come," and is making an honest effort to bring it to pass.

Today THE KINGDOM OF GOD is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Outside of ZION, there is but little outward expression of the real KINGDOM OF GOD upon earth, but when the King comes, then the inward and spiritual will find its expression in the outward and visible KINGDOM OF GOD, manifested in a more perfect Theocracy than ever existed in Israel.

While the nations forget God and the churches ignore Christ's coming to reign, let ZION proclaim THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM to all lands and lift up the Theocratic Standard.

And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ;

AND HE SHALL REIGN FOREVER AND EVER.—Revelation 11:15.

APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

TESTIMONY OF PRAISE TO GOD FOR DELIVERANCE FROM UNBELIEF AND DISEASE, THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS

MY heart is filled to overflowing with thankfulness to God for the marvelous and providential way He has cared for me, and saved me, and delivered me, and healed me.

What a blessed thing to have practical knowledge of salvation, and to realize that it is true and real. To experience Divine life in accordance with the Word of God, to have peace and joy through faith in Jesus.

When Divine Healing was first brought to my attention, I was a missionary, stationed in China. LEAVES OF HEALING came to me, and God's man, John Alexander Dowie, sent me an assortment of literature, in answer to a request I had sent him.

The eternal truth of God was unfolded to me day by day, in reading and rereading the papers, together with the Bible and prayer.

I remember the moment of decision. What a wonderful hour that was!

Like most missionaries I harbored the medical-fetish in my house, and held him to be indispensable to life. But in the hour of surrender to God, not only the surrender of the spirit, but also of the soul, and of the body, it became my duty to obey God, to surrender all and trust Him, not in any fake theory, but in the plain Gospel of Jesus, the Atonement, covering salva-

tion for the spirit, cleansing for the soul, and healing for the body.

What first seemed a tremendous step to take, became an act of joyful obedience, accompanied with peace and victory.

Not only did it become a sin to take medicine, but a sin to give it to others, and a sin to keep it in the house. It belonged to the devil, and therefore had to be destroyed. And God healed, praise to His holy Name!

I had been ailing for a whole year, and for a whole year doctored myself; but the more I drank of the medicine, the farther I got away from health.

God healed, when all my medical idols had been destroyed, when I took God at His Own Word, and believed that Jesus, on the cross, had paid for my body also, and could therefore repair and keep it well.

My sickness and my church combined, had created in me an intense unbelief. I was of the kind, that would like to see before believing. That way came very easy to me. I wanted to reason out the way in accordance with preconceived ideas, and interpretations of the word of God, peradventure the Bible did not mean what it said.

Did God mean what He said? Was Jesus the same Healer still? Even if He was, would He take notice of me and heal me? And could prayer really be answered for physical needs? Should I discard doctors and drugs for good? Was it in accordance with the Bible to do so? Was it possible that the church to which I belonged was wrong, and Dr. Dowie, one man, was right? Would it not be safer to follow the masses than to listen to this new thing, which after all may not last long?

Now if God absolutely demands of me to give up medicine entirely, what will become of me? Is not that a daring and risky thing to do in China? Suppose I get very sick, what then? Will God help then? Can I then fully rely on God alone and get well? In such an hour of distress I have no one near me of like faith, and Dr. Dowie is far away, may be I will make a shipwreck and die?

But there was Dr. Dowie shouting, "repent, repent, repent, destroy your medicine, it's of the devil, and trust God, take Him at His word."

So I plunged into the Bible again, verse after verse, page after page, where Jesus healed. Jesus came from heaven to heal. He came to destroy the works of the devil, when He healed. He said: "According to your faith be it unto you." "Wilt thou be made whole?" "These signs shall follow them that believe." "I am Jehovah, I change not." "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever."

It seemed to me that Dr. Dowie and the Bible were in harmony, and that the Baptist mission and I were out of touch with God. The mission was full of unbelief, of doubt, of modern theology, of man-made paths.

What was I to do? To me then it seemed not an easy thing to break with the past and with the then present. If I broke with medicine I felt that I could not do it in secret, I could not keep such a step to myself and retain God's blessing. It meant a public break as well, and that meant a break with strongly established mission practices. My fellow laborers were medical men, my house stood under the shadow of the mission hospital, and I had a dozen men under me to train as evangelists and preachers. If I broke with medicine would that mean a break with the mission, would it lead to the severing of friends and church?

Then I turned again to LEAVES OF HEALING. Would not Dr. Dowie let down a little, and give some middle way for a fellow like myself? After all did he mean such a radical change, such a tremendous sweeping move? But the more I read the more I saw what he meant. There was no end to reading. It was LEAVES OF HEALING for Breakfast, for Dinner, for Supper, LEAVES OF HEALING day and night. The more I read, the more I wanted to read. I could not stop.

What happened? By the grace of God I took a jump away from unbelief, and medicine, and uncertainty, and fear, and anxiety, and misery and landed in God's arms of faith, of trust, of certainty, of peace, of rest, of health. God did wonderful things for me. A new song was heard in my soul. I walked more steady and more erect. I felt as if a century weight had gone. I could shout for joy that the victory had come. God had had mercy on me. He had heard my own humble prayer and healed me. I walked with Him, and talked with Him, and communed with Him.

My jump did not take many minutes to perform; but it took many days before I took the jump. But it brought me into trouble. Of course I had the mission down upon me. "It would never do," they said, "to make too radical changes, and to teach contrary to the church." I was welcome to believe in "prayer without medicine" as much as I wanted to, privately; but I must not talk against the hospital, and the mission doctor, and the "God-given medical herbs," it would never do.

But God in His infinite mercy had given me a foretaste of Zion; some clusters of truth from the promises; some blessings that lasted. It was the Full Gospel of ZION that had come to me, for ZION means THE KINGDOM OF GOD. How could I keep that to myself, and hold my mouth shut, and place my light under a bushel; when the people were dying for want of knowledge. No, it was simply impossible, I could not keep still.

Twenty years ago there was not room enough for the Full Gospel of Jesus in a Baptist mission in China; and to tell the truth, there is less room to day.

Very soon after this remarkable experience, several wonderful healings took place among the people, in answer to the prayer of faith. Step by step, God stood by and honored my stand, and helped me, and encouraged me.

All that time a great desire to visit ZION Headquarters took possession of me. I wanted to see Dr. Dowie, the man whom God had sent, and whom He did use so mightily. So, together with my dear wife, we came to ZION and were heartily welcomed, as Dr. Dowie said, he had been praying for us and expecting us.

We came to ZION at a very opportune time, 1898. The large ZION Home, in Chicago, was full to overflowing with guests. Dr. Dowie was in his prime in teaching the multitudes and praying for the sick. The Central ZION Tabernacle on Michigan Avenue could not hold the throngs of earnest seeking people. The power of God permeated every service. Healing upon healing, at the laying on of hands in the name of Jesus, took place. God answered prayer every day. Sinners repented and were saved.

The ZION Seventies were organized, and sent out into the streets and the lanes of the city. I was put in charge of one of the seventies, and was given the central district of Chicago, which included all the principal hotels, R. R. depots, Lake Shore residential palaces, the entire Red Light district, and the colored population. Into the fashionable places, as well as into the most degraded and terrible underworld hovels, 70 consecrated ZION workers, men and women, two by two, once a week, systematically, went, full of love and compassion. Saved, healed and blessed themselves, and with a headquarters on fire for God, and with God's special Messenger in charge of ZION, and ZION established as a Refuge for God's people, they did a work so wonderful and so telling, that no devil and no hell-place could withstand them. Out from high and low places the sick and the sinful, and the sorrowing were brought to ZION Tabernacle, where hundreds upon hundreds found God, and peace, and life.

Many years have passed since that wonderful beginning. The devil has sifted the wheat. ZION has undergone the most tremendous strain, any body of people have been called upon to undergo. And today I see a most wonderful ZION rising out of the past, purified, strong and loyal.

ZION CITY, as the ZION Headquarters, has become a light and a blessing, for which I praise God every day. We do not fully realize what a wonderful thing it is to have such a headquarters, and such a backing.

I bow my head and heart before God, in overflowing gratitude, for the General Overseer. Out of the trials of the past the man has been fitted into his position and filled it. Oh that we could be of more use to God, and more ready to prepare for our returning Lord, Christ Jesus.

This year so ripe with evidences, so full of war and upheavals, is ZION's year of prayer and anticipation, of increased activity and joy.

(Signed) C. F. VIKING.

Shanghai, March 8, 1916.

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Do You Know God's Way of Healing?

BY THE REV. JOHN ALEX. DOWIE.

God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "*I am* the Way, and the Truth, and the Life," and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "*I am* the Lord that Healeth thee." (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever"; and He is still with us, for He said, "*Lo, I am* with you alway, even unto the end of the world." (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, *sicknesses*), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "destroy the works of the Devil," and when He was here on earth He healed "all manner of disease and all manner of sickness," and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "oppressed of the Devil." (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance," and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith; and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (1 Timothy 6:20,21; 1 Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

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TO

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The Sacrificial Offering

TO BE TAKEN AT

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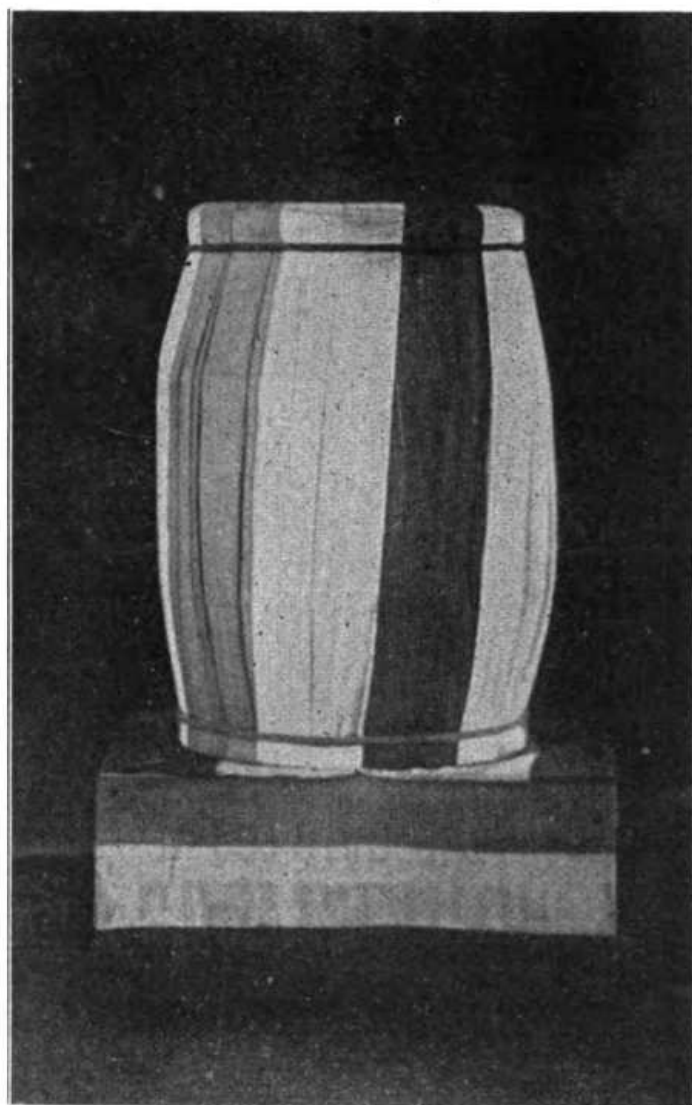
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are taken each year—one on the second Lord's Day afternoon of the Feast of Tabernacles, and the other at the All-Night Meeting.

A Sacrificial Offering calls for self-denial and self-sacrifice; and, in order that it may be what God expects it to be, all Zion must make the necessary preparation through prayer and consecration and by systematic planning in order to respond to the honor and glory of God.

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God has wrought great things in Zion! and He is ready to do greater things as—Zion people become a truly consecrated people.



Picture of Barrel Used to Receive the Sacrificial Offerings

THIS SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

should be, by far, the largest yet taken.

Zion's Work has many needs, and all officers, members, and friends should have a part in supplying these needs.

Earnest prayer, self-denial, self-sacrifice and true co-operation on the part of all, will mean great things for Zion, in the spreading of Literature broadcast, and in extending many other departments of the work.

As a people we should more and more claim God's promises; step out on His Word, and not be afraid to trust Him for spirit, soul and body.

Many workers have been placed in the Field, and in order to keep these workers in the field and send out other workers, ALL officers and members of the Church MUST BE FAITHFUL in TITHING and in giving their offerings as God prospers them.

The SUCCESS of Zion's Work depends upon YOU.



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A CUP OF COLD WATER

And Whosoever shall give
to Drink unto one of these
My Little Ones A Cup of
Cold Water only in
the Name of a Disciple,
Verily I say unto you,
he shall in no wise
LOSE HIS REWARD

Matthew 10:42

HOLD FAST

- I. THAT WHICH IS GOOD.
Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.—(I. Thessalonians 5:21)
- II. THE FAITHFUL WORD.
Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.—(Titus 1:9)
- III. THE FORM OF SOUND WORDS.
Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.—(II. Timothy 1:13)
- IV. THE CONFIDENCE AND REJOICING OF HOPE.
But Christ as a Son over His own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.—(Hebrews 3:6)
- V. THE PROFESSION OF OUR FAITH.
Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for He is faithful Who promised.—(Hebrews 10:23)
- VI. THAT WE HAVE, THAT NO MAN TAKE OUR CROWN.
BEHOLD, I COME QUICKLY: HOLD THAT FAST WHICH THOU HAST, THAT NO MAN TAKE THY CROWN.—(Revelation 3:11)
- VII. THE UNFAITHFUL, HOLD FAST AND REPENT.
Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.—(Revelation 3:3)

I HAVE SINNED

- I. PHARAOH, FROM SLAVISH FEAR.
And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.—(Exodus 9:27)
Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the Lord your God, and against you.—(Exodus 10:16)
- II. BALAAM, FOR A REWARD.
And Balaam said unto the angel of the Lord, I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get me back again.—(Numbers 22:34)
- III. ACHAN, BEING DETECTED OF GOD.
And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done.—(Joshua 7:20)
- IV. SAUL, THROUGH COWARDICE.
And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.—(I. Samuel 15:24)
- V. DAVID, BEING REPROVED.
And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord. And Nathan said unto David, The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.—(II. Samuel 12:13)
- VI. JUDAS, THROUGH DESPAIR.
Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? See thou to that.—(Matthew 27:4)
- VII. THE PRODIGAL SON, THROUGH AN HONEST HEART.
I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against Heaven, and before thee.
And the son said unto him, Father I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.—(Luke 15:18 and 21)

The Triunities of the Bible---Triune God, Triune Man, Triune Faith, Triune Baptism

Report of the Service, Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, June 18, 1916, Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

INVOCATION by Apostle Wm. S. Peckham:

God be merciful unto us and bless us, And cause His Face to shine upon us; That Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy Saving Health among all the nations, For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let us worship God in the singing of hymn No. 715—"COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING."

Come, Thou almighty King,
Help us Thy Name to sing,
Help us to praise:
Father! all-glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days!

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword;
Our prayer attend;
Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success;
Spirit of holiness!
On us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour:
Thou, Who Almighty art,
Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power!

To the great One in Three,
The highest praises be,
Hence evermore!
His sovereign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.

SCRIPTURE READING

APOSTLE PECKHAM: I will read from God's Inspired Word, in the Gospel according to St. John, the First chapter, the first fourteen verses:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made.

In Him was life; and the life was the light of men.

And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehendeth it not.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.

The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through Him might believe.

He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.

That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not.

He came unto His own, and His own received Him not.

But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name:

Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

The Semi-Chorus then rendered the selection, "THE KINGDOM OF GOD," Chorus No. 8, from the Cantata, entitled, "BETH-ANY," by W. Rhys-Herbert.

PRAYER

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, may Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is done in Heaven.

We thank Thee, O God, for Him Who came, the Incarnate Word, and took upon Himself the form of man and dwelt in the flesh. We thank Thee that He wrought among us mighty works, showed us the Father, and gave us a glimpse of His glory.

O God, we thank Thee that in Him we have life and light and power, and we ask Thee this afternoon that He may become enthroned in each of our hearts, and that speedily He may come to take His place as Ruler on this earth.

Come, Thou Almighty One!

We pray Thee that Thou wilt strengthen Thy servant as he stands this day at this sacred desk to proclaim the words of life. Be with Him by Thy Spirit as he sends forth Thy message and proclaims the Everlasting Gospel, calling the people to repentance.

We thank Thee for him who came and inaugurated the Times of Restoration; and we thank Thee, O God, for him who continues the work.

We thank Thee for Zion, which has been born in these last days as the one, great, only, and last Organization that God will ever give to His people in this Age. Help the world to know it, and help Zion to be true and faithful in sending forth the warning note.

We pray Thee that the trumpet in Zion may give no uncertain sound, but that it may proclaim in mighty thunder tones to earth's remotest bounds the call of God; may it sound out the mighty words, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh!" And we pray Thee that all who have professed His Name may be ready to meet Him. Grant that none in this congregation may be found among the foolish virgins, unprepared for the coming of the Lord.

We pray Thy blessing this afternoon upon Zion in this and every land; upon all who have gone forth bearing the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

Bless the "Leaves of Healing" and all the literature of Zion that presents these great truths and brings to the people the knowledge of the True and Living God; Jesus the Christ, His Son; and the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.

We pray Thee that Thy people may indeed become a holy people, cleansed in spirit and in soul and in body, arrayed in the garments of righteousness, waiting for the coming of the King.

Help us to labor!

Help us to be faithful!

Help us, O God, in this hour to know our place in the Kingdom and to understand the glorious truths—the mighty words the prophets have spoken. May Thy people realize as never before the call of God.

In these last days when the world is going on to destruction, in the midst of the nations that are perishing, God has caused to stand forth His own nation and people. We pray Thee that Thou wilt bless Zion as never before, and bring all true and faithful ones who are looking for the coming of the Lord together; that they may be waiting and watching and prepared for the day that is soon to come—when the judgment of the nations shall be completed and when the Christ shall sit upon His throne at Jerusalem and be the Ruler of the earth.

Bless this afternoon, to this end, the message that shall be delivered. We pray for this City; for this Nation, which is seeking deliverance in every other way except God's way, and which is giving allegiance to men and parties that should be given to God.

O God, may this be a time when some shall be saved, when some shall be brought to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus.

Hear us now for this waiting people. May each and every one be brought into a receptive mood. Give unto each of us the desire to know the will of God, and give us understanding minds and hearts.

Teach us, O God!

Make us teachable. Give us wisdom and understanding, that we may be able to comprehend the deeper things of the Kingdom and receive these wonderful truths into our hearts; that they may mold and fashion our lives and make us worthy to stand before the Son of Man when He comes.

We pray Thy blessing upon the sick and the sorrowing whose

requests have reached us. We thank Thee that there is salvation, that there is healing, that there is cleansing for all who will meet the conditions laid down in Thy Word.

O God, we thank Thee that the atoning blood of Jesus covers all our needs. We thank Thee that upon the cruel cross He wrought out a perfect salvation for spirit, for soul, and for body. Help the people to know it and to CLAIM it.

Grant, O God, that this may be an hour of great blessing. Grant that as we pray, we may receive; that as we look up unto Thee, we may know that Thy Face is turned toward us and that Thou art looking with loving favor upon us. Oh, may we know we have communion with Thee, that we are in touch with God, and that we have fellowship with Jesus the Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Take us now as we are and make us what we ought to be! Give unto us every needed blessing, though unasked, and answer according to Thy wondrous love, Thy great mercy, and Thy perfect wisdom.

Father, lead us on throughout this hour, throughout this day, and throughout all the coming days, and grant at last that we may stand perfect and faultless before Thy throne, clad in the spotless garments of His righteousness. Take us into a sacred nearness with Thyself and hold us fast, for Jesus' sake and in His Precious Name, Who taught us, in the days of His flesh, to pray, saying, (The Semi-Chorus then chanted the Lord's Prayer.)

After the Semi-Chorus had rendered the selection, "ALL PRAISE TO HIM," by *Peace*, Apostle Peckham made the announcements for the week, after which the Tithes and Free-will Offerings were received.

The Semi-Chorus then rendered the selection, "I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE," chorus No. 11 from the Cantata "BETHANY," with baritone prelude by Conductor John D. Thomas.

INVOCATION by the General Overseer:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and in the Name of Jesus the Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit be sanctified unto the good of all present and unto all who shall read these words in this and other lands, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer!

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: This afternoon I desire to talk to you a little while on this subject—"THE TRIUNITIES OF THE BIBLE."

Divine Healing is simply taking God at His Word—nothing else.

One of the first things necessary is to teach man *who* he is and *what* he is.

If as you sit there you believe you evolved from a monkey, such a belief will not inspire you to very great accomplishments.

However, if as you sit there it comes home to you that you are in the image of GOD HIMSELF, such a conviction will be an inspiration that will lift you up above the things of time and sense and carry you *forward*, not only in time but in Eternity!

The Triune God Decrees the Creation of Man in His Image

Listen to the words spoken in the council of the Godhead, as they are recorded in Genesis 1:26:

"Let Us make man in *Our Image*, after *OUR LIKENESS*."

The Three Persons in the Godhead were in a council, and the Spokesman said, "Let Us make man in *OUR IMAGE*, after *OUR LIKENESS*."

Stop and think for a minute what it means that you and I are created in the IMAGE OF ALMIGHTY GOD—the One Great, Eternal God, Creator of heaven and earth, of the seas and all that in them is!

Think of what it means that you and I are in His Image!

I am aware of the fact that it is difficult to present this subject in terms which all can understand; because when we begin to talk about the Being, God, and about man, who was created in His Image, we are liable to get into the technical terms of theology.

In the Second chapter of Philippians—you ought to know it, if you do not—it is written that Jesus, Who was in the form of God and thought it not robbery to be on an equality with God, divested Himself and took upon Himself the form of a servant, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

The Greek word used there for "in the form of God," has reference to that which makes a thing what it is.

God is Self-existent, Eternally-existent, Self-conscious, Self-determined, Omnipresent, Omniscient, Omnipotent. God is Love. God is Merciful. These are some of the characteristics,

commonly called traits—the things that constitute Him what He is as to His being.

You are created in His Image. You are a self-conscious being, a self-determined being; you are a free moral agent, and you have an immortal spirit. You have the conviction of the existence of a Higher Being; you have the conviction of accountability and responsibility.

What is man?

Man is endowed with traits like unto God—capable of eternal progression, ever approximating the perfection of God Himself but never reaching it.

What are you?

Scriptural Teaching that Man is Tripartite

You are an immortal spirit; you have a soul and a body. In Genesis 2:7, we read:

And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

The immortal spirit proceeds from God. God is the *Father* of the immortal spirit; He is the *Maker* of the soul and the body.

I desire you to get that!

God is the FATHER of our spirits; He is the MAKER of our souls and our bodies.

You are a tripartite being—you have a threefold nature. First Thessalonians 5:22-23 and Hebrews 4:12 make it perfectly plain.

Paul said:

Abstain from all appearance of evil.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In Hebrews 4:12 we have the tripartite nature of man set forth:

For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

You are an immortal spirit. You have a soul, which is the animal life in the blood, and you have a body, which is the tent, the tabernacle, the house in which you live; and we are to have this body while we stay on this earth, but when the spirit takes its flight the body goes back to the dust from whence it came.

However, somewhere, somehow, just as out of the dead grain of corn there comes the green stalk and the full ear, out of this body will come the *new body*.

How, I do not pretend to understand.

There are a lot of things I do not understand.

I do not know how it is that you can put a grain of corn in the earth, and it will rot, and out of it, from a tiny germ, the green stalk will grow seven feet high; and it will put out a silken tassel, and at last a full, ripe ear of corn.

I do not understand it; nobody understands it.

The Immortal Spirit, the Soul, and the Body of Man Explained

Now, we have three Hebrew words, and we have three Greek words, which are familiar to every one who has studied those languages.

Ruach means spirit; *nephesh*, soul; *basar*, body.

In the New Testament we have—*pneuma*, spirit; *psyche*, soul; *soma*, body.

I suspect that some one who is sitting here, having studied Hebrew, is saying, "Don't you know that the words '*ruach*' and '*nephesh*' are used interchangeably?"

So they are! *Nephesh* is used of the immortal spirit, and sometimes *psyche* is used of the immortal spirit.

However, in the Hebrew and the Greek and the English, words have a natural meaning, and then they have what we call an accommodative meaning. So that while they are used interchangeably, the distinct meaning of *ruach*, in the Hebrew, is spirit; *nephesh*, soul; *basar*, body. And in the Greek, the distinct meaning of *pneuma* is spirit; *psyche*, soul; *soma*, body.

Spirit, soul, and body!

"... Your whole *spirit* and *soul* and *body*—"

The immortal spirit springs from God, and it never dies. When what is called "death" takes place, it either goes to Heaven or it goes to hell.

Of course, now, when it comes to this newfangled theology—Spiritualism, Theosophy, New Thought, Christian Science, Millennial Dawnism, and a lot of other demon-inspired institutions—there is no hell.

When I was a little boy I heard those old "fire" preachers. Perhaps you never heard them. They were just passing off the stage of action when I was a little boy.

I remember one old man who had a head of hair like a sheaf of wheat and it stood up like porcupine quills. When he got going his fingers would go through that hair, he would spit, and he would almost split the table—but he knew his BIBLE.

Those old fellows would blaze a path across a state, and sinners would fall down and cry out for mercy before God. I tell you, they believed in HELL, and so do I! I believe just what the Bible teaches!

I believe in a personal devil, who tempted my Lord and Master and who tempts you and me—the arch-enemy of mankind.

I will stick to the Bible, even if I am out of date and the only one left who upholds it. They can take their newfangled doctrines and go on with them!

I have not forgotten that my Lord prophesied that in these last days there would be a falling away. He indicated that not only would it be like it was in the time of Noah and the time of Lot, but that it would be worse; for He asked the question: "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"

The inspired Apostles who wrote said that the time would come when they would not "endure sound doctrine," but that they would give "heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;" and they are doing it.

I can prove to any honest man or woman who will listen for a couple of hours, that Christian Science denies every fundamental truth of the Bible, from the first page to the last one.

Think of it!

The Psychical and Physical the Substrata of the Spiritual Man

Now, an immortal spirit, a soul, and a body—trine man, with a tripartite nature; one man in three parts, three parts in one man.

Now then, we have the spiritual life, the psychical life, and the physical life—spiritual, psychical, and physical.

The Christian is living, above all things, the spiritual. The psychical and the physical are simply the substrata, the scaffolding—that is all!

The masses of the people are living the physical.

Before God this afternoon, men and women, what life are you living?

Are you living the SPIRITUAL life?

Are you living the psychical and the physical life?

Are you living the physical life *only*, which consists of eating and drinking and sleeping and growling?

The next thing men and women need to be taught is that ALL HAVE SINNED—all have transgressed the laws of God.

The *image* can never be destroyed!

You know that wonderful story in the Bible about the woman who lost a coin, do you not?

You take a coin, it may be lost and buried for years and years; it may corrode and be covered up with dirt a quarter of an inch or a half an inch deep, but when the corrosion is removed the image of that coin, so bright and beautiful twenty years before, will shine forth as it once did.

In the same way, you cannot destroy the image a man bears to God, even though it may be covered up until some human beings look more like animals than human beings.

People go to a certain building to look at statuary, and they are interested in this sculptor and that sculptor; but let me tell you the name of the greatest sculptor there is on this earth—SIN. Every day SIN is carving out millions of pieces of statuary. Just look at the faces of men and women and you will see his work.

Multitudes Only Living the Physical Life

Well, if that were the only life, I would want to die and get off the earth at once.

Think of a man who is content to eat, to sleep, to drink beer and whisky, to chew and smoke tobacco, and to live an immoral life—to indulge the flesh!

Such a life is lower than the life of a brute.

You know, and I know, that there are tens of thousands of men and women in Chicago that would make any animal that roams the field blush for shame. I cannot go into details, but every man and woman here knows what I mean. There are tens of thousands in this City who are lower than the animals—that is all I can say. They are living a beastly life—the physical life.

What does the Bible say?

"He that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption—"

There are other people who are living the psychical life.

For instance, I say, "John, aren't you going to church with me today?"

He says, "No; I have a book here by a German philosopher that I want to read. I just got this book yesterday and I am going to stay at home and read it."

Prayer meeting night comes, and I say, "Aren't you going to prayer meeting?"

"No; I have some propositions here I want to work out."

That man is living the psychical life.

I say, "John, don't you know you are lost and without hope?"

"Oh, I guess I am good enough. I guess if other people do as well as I do they will get along pretty well."

You see, I have been through this in college.

I knew a college president once who was a minister, and he had a brother who was a reprobate. They slept together for fourteen years, and that college president never once mentioned to his brother the name of Jesus. It was during a series of special meetings that one morning he mustered up courage enough to say to him, "Wouldn't you like to be a Christian?"

"Why," he said, "I have been waiting fourteen years for you to say something to me about it!"

I heard that college president tell how ashamed he felt about it.

I have sat by the death-beds of many college students, and I know what it means for a poor fellow to come down to within an hour of his death, and then begin to try to get right with God.

And so I say, "John, don't you know you are lost?"

He says, "Oh, I don't know about that. I do not drink or smoke, and I am living a clean life."

Only the New Birth, not Morality, Will Save Man from Hell

I say, "Yes, John, that is true; but Jesus said: 'Except a man be BORN AGAIN (from above), he cannot see THE KINGDOM OF GOD.' You may have a fine physique and you may be very intelligent, but you are unsaved."

The whole world needs to be told that today!

No man can save himself!

Why, if you were to sit down before some of the most brilliant men in this country today, and begin to talk to them about Jesus and about the life to come, they would not know anything about it.

Somehow they seem to be counting on the fact that they do not do anything that is *bad*, and that they are well educated; and they think that their morality will save them.

However, morality cannot save them! The NEW BIRTH is the only hope!

One of the most wonderful books that ever has been written—though it is a book far beyond the capacity of the average mind—is Drummond's "Natural Law in the Spiritual World."

It is one of the most wonderful books ever written. I have devoured it time and again, and I know it almost by heart. But, as I say, the average reader would not get much out of it, because quite an extensive college training is required in order to fathom it.

Drummond passed away when only thirty-six years of age. He is in Heaven. He was a wonderful man; had a wonderful mind.

I want to tell you, in putting out that book he brought to light some of the most wonderful things that ever were discovered. It is a treatment of Divine principles from a scientific standpoint.

On this one subject—that it is impossible for a man to be saved without the New Birth—he proves that it is impossible for any object in the inanimate kingdom to come up into THE KINGDOM above it, unless THE KINGDOM above reaches down and takes hold of it.

In other words, he proves that scientifically it is true that

you cannot be saved, unless God Almighty reaches down from up yonder and takes hold of you.

You cannot save yourself!

Jesus said, "Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot see THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

And he cannot!

That is what I have been preaching here now for nearly nine months. Next Lord's Day will finish the nine months. God only knows what it has meant for me to be out of ZION CITY, but I am glad I have come. In one way and another a vast multitude of people has been reached by my preaching, and there is a far larger number of people in different lands and in other states in this Country who have read these addresses. Many letters come in showing that lives have been touched.

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The Necessity of the New Birth Taught in Zion

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"EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN AGAIN, HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

Now then, how is a man to be "born again"?

You know, Nicodemus was troubled about that.

I read that chapter over yesterday, and I marked it. That is a very important chapter.

Nicodemus said, "How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?"

He did not understand it.

Jesus said to him, "Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?"

I will tell you how you are "born again." As you sit here this afternoon—you are not "born again," if you are without God; and I believe many of you are—God, by the Holy Spirit, speaks to your spirit, using the words that have been read this afternoon and the words that are spoken, convicting you of the fact that you are a sinner—away from God and without hope. The Holy Spirit strives with you as you sit there.

Why, I have had many men go out of that door, and say, "I will never touch tobacco again—I will never touch it again!"

I hope they have kept their word. Many of them do not return; some of them do return.

Many men have been delivered from cigarettes, from tobacco, from drink, and from other vices.

Those men were convicted, and when they determined to give up those wicked things, it was like saying, "I will surrender!"

Conviction Comes through the Holy Spirit

What is the Sword of the Spirit?

The Word of God is the "Sword of the Spirit."

THE WORD OF GOD.

"All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23)

"The wages of sin is death—" (Romans 6:23)

"To be carnally minded is death—" (Romans 8:6)

The Sword of the Spirit!

The works of the flesh! It is my business to show them to you—point them out to you.

You may be a wife-beater, or a drunkard; you may be this, that, or the other thing.

The Word of God is perfectly clear as to the works of the flesh.

Now, God takes the Word and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, He drives it home to you; and as you sit there you are under conviction.

However, you do not *have* to surrender.

I have seen many people under deep conviction who did not surrender. They braced right up and *resisted*, and went out and got drunk to drown the conviction.

I have had people say to me, "I would give one thousand dollars if I had never heard you!"

Others have said, "I would not go back to ZION Tabernacle for the world!"

I think of some this afternoon who have never come back.

Why?

Because I told them, in the light of God Almighty's Word, what they had to do or they would go to hell! And they WILL go to hell, if they do not repent. They may find some preacher who will give them a soft message and let them think they can escape, but they will go to hell just the same!

It is the convicting power of God Almighty that makes men miserable.

Now then, you can either surrender or not, just as you like; you are a free moral agent.

God Does not Save Men from Hell against their Will

We are all free moral agents—we can surrender or we can resist.

When God—by the Spirit, through the Word, which is the Seed of which you must be born—speaks to your spirit—in the night, or when you are on the farm, or in the office, or in the shop, or in the church service, or on the street, or wherever it may be—and you say, "I will surrender! I will return to my Father!"—that is conversion, that is the New Birth, and that is the beginning of repentance.

Regeneration means being "born again." That immortal spirit of yours has to be touched by the Spirit of the Living God, it has to have imparted to it new impulses, and you must surrender; and when you have done this there is regeneration, conversion, and the beginning of repentance.

After you have gone on and brought forth "fruits meet for repentance"—which means that you must confess your sins to those whom you have wronged and make right the wrongs of your life—God pardons your sins and *justifies* you.

"Justification" is a legal term, and simply means that He takes you, the guilty, and puts you instead of Jesus, the Innocent, and no longer requires you to pay the penalty for your transgressions. You are forgiven.

Some people make a mistake. They say, "I do not feel like it."

It is not a matter of *feeling*, brother, feeling has nothing to do with it. It is a matter of FAITH! There is no feeling about it. Of course, a man ought to be happy when he comes into the new life and gives his heart to God, but it is not a question of feeling.

God Almighty has promised that if we do certain things He will forgive us—he will blot out our transgressions.

Take Him at His Word!

Shumaker says, "Voliva, if you will hoe my garden tomorrow I will give you two dollars."

My part is to go and hoe the garden. I have faith in Shumaker that he will keep his word, although I would rather trust God than to trust Shumaker.

I prove my faith in Shumaker by hoeing the garden.

And when I repent, confess, restore, and give my heart to God, I know that God will keep His Word and will forgive me and pardon my sins.

Regeneration an Instantaneous, Sanctification a Continuous Work

Now then, when you have done all that you have only made a start in the Christian life. Sanctification is the continuation of regeneration. Sanctification is the growth; regeneration is the birth.

THE NEW BIRTH is instantaneous!

Conversion is instantaneous!

Sanctification is a process, and continues through life.

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly—" (I. Thessalonians 5:23)

See?

"—Sanctify you wholly—"

Sanctification is the burning out of the dross, the pulling up of the roots of sin, the destruction of the tendencies to sin.

The curbing of that unruly temper—the subjecting of that appetite.

That is what sanctification is.

Then you will have spiritual eyes, spiritual ears, spiritual tastes; and you will enjoy communion with God, you will enjoy His Word, and you will enjoy the prayer meeting.

Now then, suppose I call in a man in ZION and say, "Brother, were you at the Bible school this morning?"

"No."

"Were you at the prayer meeting Wednesday night?"

"No; I didn't feel like going."

I know immediately that there is something wrong there.

Why, you do not have to scold and slap a child that is in good health to get him to go and eat his food, do you?

No!

When a man is converted and becomes a "new creature" in Christ Jesus, he will take to the Bible, and he will take to prayer, and he will take to the house of God, and he will take to communion with God. Why, you could not pull him to a theater, to a dance, to a card game, or to a horse race. He will have no appetite for tobacco and whisky and those things.

When a man is converted the "old man" is dead and crucified, and he is a "new creature" in Christ Jesus.

Triune man!

Triune God!

Perhaps some would say I ought to speak of that first.

Triune God—One God in Three Persons, Three Persons in One God.

"Let Us make man in Our image."

There are Three Persons in the Godhead, and They have existed through all Eternity. There has never been a time when They did not exist.

There is no time with God; all is Eternity. Time has to do with man. Time has to do with the covenant of redemption.

Now, there came a time when one of the Persons in the Godhead took the title of Father, another one took the title of Son, and another one the title of Holy Ghost; all of which are official titles, and have to do with the covenant of redemption.

In this line of Eternity there was a place called "In the beginning."

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." (Genesis 1:1)

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1)

IN THE BEGINNING!

And now here is man (spirit, soul, and body) upon this earth, put here to prepare for Eternity.

Man has been upon this earth how long?

Almost six thousand years!

Many Signs Indicate the Closing Age

It has been almost six thousand years since this earth was created. The signs everywhere—in the celestial, in the terrestrial, in the social, in the political, in the commercial, in the religious worlds—all point to the dissolution of the present order, and show us that the time is drawing near when the "elements shall melt with fervent heat," the Lord shall descend from Heaven with a shout, and the righteous dead shall be resurrected and the righteous living shall be translated, and the two companies will be united and caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

Triune God!

Triune man!

The time is not far off when an angel will take his stand and will declare, "Time shall be no longer!"

The lease of the Gentiles is expiring.

We have had the four universal empires—the gold, the silver, the brass, the iron.

It is written:

And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the Great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure. (Daniel 2:41-45)

In the days of the Kaiser, of the King of the British Empire, of the Czar of Russia, in the days of the nations that occupy the territory of the old Roman Empire, shall God set up a KINGDOM that shall never end!

Let no one fear a fifth universal empire. They have tried it, but they have failed; because God has said, "Four, and no more!"

No one need to be afraid of the Kaiser setting up a fifth universal empire.

The fifth, and the LAST universal empire, is to be THE KINGDOM OF GOD that shall NEVER END!

Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Oh, how indignant it makes me when I hear people talk about Jesus simply being a "Good Man"!

What a shame!

And then when I hear professed ministers denying the Virgin-birth of Christ!

Jesus the Christ was GOD—God manifest in the flesh. He was Divine! He sits at the right hand of God this afternoon, and He will COME AGAIN, as the Scriptures tell us.

Now, my hearers, if you are not going to heed the Word of God, if you are not going to follow the Word of God, if you are not going to follow the Daystar, what and whom are you going to follow?

I am no pessimist, though I would be called one. A man who does not shut his eyes to everything that is transpiring and say that everything is getting better, is a pessimist.

Well, I say a man who says that the world is getting better is a fool!

Nominal Churchianity has Replaced Christianity

I say this world today is more rotten, more corrupt, than ever since the dawn of creation!

There are fewer believers in God, fewer believers in Jesus the Christ, fewer believers in the Bible, fewer Christians, than ever at any time in the world's history!

Christians!

Sixteen million Roman Catholics!

How many of them have had the NEW BIRTH?

Six million Methodists!

How many of them have been "born again"?

Four million Baptists!

How many of them are "new creatures" in Christ Jesus?

One hundred and sixteen million nominal Protestants!

How many of them are today "wise virgins"—sanctified; baptized in the Holy Spirit; separated from the world, the flesh, and the devil; loving not the world, neither the things of the world?

What does the Bible say?

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. (1 John 2:15)

Can you say this afternoon, as you look up into God's face, "Father, I know I am Thy child! Father, I am seeking first Your KINGDOM and Your righteousness! Father, my affections are upon things above, and not on things on the earth beneath! Father, I care not for this world, nor for the things of this world!"—can you say that?

It means something to be a Christian!

Triune God!

Triune man!

Triune baptism!

Any man who is honest and who loves God, if he will study the question, will be compelled to accept and preach that Christian baptism is Triune Immersion.

You cannot get around it—it is an impossibility!

You will find two pamphlets on the subject back there at the literature counter.

It is a very remarkable statement in history that Eunomius, the Arian, was the first one to practice single immersion, and that orders were issued by the Church council that if anyone practiced single immersion he was to be excommunicated.

Now, English means something.

The Scriptures Command a Triune Immersion

As I said a while ago, I do not know much. I know some things. I know the English language, or a little about it.

The word that Jesus used—what was it?

He used the participial form of the word "baptizo."

He said:

All authority is given unto Me in Heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing

them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. (Matthew 28:18-19)

Now, that written out in full—because a comma there marks an ellipsis, an omission—would read, "Baptizing them into the Name of the Father, and baptizing them into the Name of the Son, and baptizing them into the Name of the Holy Ghost."

Single immersion does not fulfill that commission; for God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost are all concerned in the plan of redemption.

The Son came to reveal the Father, and the Holy Ghost came to reveal the Son.

Therefore, Triune Immersion is Christian Baptism

—Baptizing them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

The word He used means to immerse repeatedly.

Now, I will submit to you another thing. In English, the word "Name" there is singular, is it not? That proves Triune Immersion. If it were plural—"Baptizing them into the Names of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost"—it would prove single immersion. But it is, "Baptizing them into the NAME of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

I submit to you one thing more on Triune Immersion.

You know that a verb expresses action, being, or a state of being. In the verb which Jesus used, is the action asserted of the candidate or of the water?

I say it is asserted of the candidate, and not of the water.

A woman says to her maid, "Sprinkle the clothes."

She does not mean that. That is one of the loose methods of speech in the English language. She means for her to sprinkle water upon the clothes, and the action is asserted of the water; and not the clothes.

Go to your English dictionary, and you will find that the word "sprinkle" means to scatter in small drops.

If you say, "Sprinkle the paper," and the action of the verb is asserted of the paper, then I have to tear the paper up into small bits in order to sprinkle it. But if the action is asserted of the water, I can take a glass of water and sprinkle water upon the paper.

That shows the loose-jointed way we have of talking in English.

"Sprinkle the clothes."

The word "sprinkle" means to scatter in small drops. You do not mean to sprinkle the clothes, you mean to sprinkle water upon the clothes, do you not?

The word "pour" means to cause to run in a stream. I can pour water upon this piece of paper. However, if you mean, in saying, "Pour the paper," that the action is asserted of the paper, then it must be reduced to a pulp before I can pour it.

Now, I say the action in the verb here is asserted of the man. You are to take the man to the baptism and baptize him; you are not to go and get the water and bring it over and put it on him.

Jesus the Christ did not use words without meaning.

The Greek language is very precise. One of the most enjoyable features of the study of Greek is the nicety of the meaning of words.

All Believers Must Accept the Ordinance of Christian Baptism

What else could I do, as an honest man, but to say, "I will accept Triune Immersion?"

I came to Chicago and asked Dr. Dowie to take me into the baptism and baptize me properly, in accordance with the Word of God.

I had to do it as a student, as a thinker, and as an honest man; and you will have to do the same thing if you are honest and want to believe God and do what is right.

At the close of this meeting go to the literature table and get the two pamphlets—one, entitled, "The Christian Ordinance of Baptism by Triune Immersion;" and the other, entitled, "The Ordinance of Christian Baptism, as practiced from the Days of the Apostles to the Present Time." Read and study them prayerfully.

All great scholars, regardless of their denominational connections, when their reputation as scholars is at stake, unhesitatingly declare that primitive baptism was Triune Immersion.

Now then, I want to do what Jesus told me to do?

Do you want to do what Jesus told you to do?

Sprinkling a few drops of water on a man is a subterfuge! There is no authority in the Word of God for sprinkling water on a baby! That is a false doctrine—false teaching!

Baptism Essential to a Full Obedience

Somebody says, "Oh, what difference does it make so I am sincere?"

I say it makes ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD if you are sincere! It makes no difference if you are *insincere*!

A little colored girl down south gave utterance to a statement I heard quoted in New York.

You know, church members are always saying, "What harm is there in a dance? What harm is there in smoking a cigarette?" This little colored girl down south, one night in a debate, in a very simple little school, said, "A Christian will never ask, 'What harm is there in a thing?' He will always ask, 'What good is there in it?'"

I heard that quoted by a very fine orator in New York.

She was right!

And I am right when I say that if you are *insincere* it does not matter the snap of my finger; but if you are *SINCERE*, it makes all the difference in the world!

Now, I want to make this plain to you, so you will not misunderstand. I do not believe, for one second, there is anything in the Bible that teaches that water baptism is essential to salvation. I do believe the Bible teaches that it is essential to a *full obedience*!

I abhor, and always have, the doctrine of baptismal Regeneration, which has damned millions of people.

Water Baptism is for Christians—and Christians only!

Water baptism is the outward symbol of the inward work of the Holy Spirit! It is the SEAL upon a genuine Christian man or woman!

Water baptism is notice served upon the world—"Henceforth I belong to GOD, not to the world!"

I had a letter the other day, from a man who had read LEAVES OF HEALING, and he said, "The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION—hurrah!" Then he noted the conditions of fellowship, and he said "hurrah" again.

The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION was formed so that every Christian could find a home in it.

You may never have thought of this, but it is true, nevertheless; and I have pointed it out to ministers time and again.

Here is a Baptist minister, and he teaches that you cannot become a member of his church unless you are immersed.

I say to him, "Do you see that man there?"

He says, "Yes; that is brother Jones, a Presbyterian."

I say, "Do you know him?"

"Yes, I have known him for twenty-five years."

"Do you believe he is a Christian?"

"Sure! He is considered one of the saints of the community."

"That is good."

"Do you believe if he were to pass away tonight he would go to Heaven?"

"Yes."

Next Sunday Brother Jones and I go over to the Baptist Church, and Brother Jones says, "Brother Brown, I want to come into your Church," I do not see why we can not work together."

He says, "I am sorry, Brother, but I cannot receive you, because you have not been immersed."

Well now, he has admitted that he was a Christian, also that he was good enough to go to Heaven; but there is something more required to get into the Baptist Church than to get into Heaven.

Peckham, you used to belong to a Baptist Church in Lafayette. That is true, is it not?

APOSTLE PECKHAM: "It is true."

Is not that inconsistent?

God forbid, and God cover my face with shame, if I were to stand up here this afternoon and require more of the people who enter this Church than God requires of those who enter heaven!

Take the Campbellite Church, founded by Alexander Campbell. They say that baptism is single immersion, and that it is essential to salvation.

These Campbellite preachers will meet on Thanksgiving Day in union Thanksgiving meetings, and sit with Presbyterians and Methodists; and when asked if they believe that any Methodist preacher or any Presbyterian preacher is a Christian, they will answer yes.

They have already said that water baptism is essential to salvation.

They are inconsistent; for they will not admit to the fellowship of their particular sect or denomination a man whom they acknowledge to be a Christian, unless he will come across and do something else in addition to what he has already done.

The numerous sects and denominations founded by men are full of inconsistencies, and the only thing left for the saints that are in them, is to come out and come into ZION!

ZION is no sect!

ZION is not a denomination!

In ZION, those who have come from England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Germany, Switzerland, New Zealand, South Africa, from different parts of the United States and from Canada; those who have come out of the Roman Catholic Church, the Presbyterian Church, the Church of England, the Baptist Church—all meet around the communion table of the Lord, and they are ONE, and you would not know that they came from different lands and out of different organizations.

That is the way it ought to be!

That is what God intended!

A sect is a body of people who take certain truths and certain falsehoods and build a fence around them all.

"I cannot take Triune Immersion, because I am a Baptist."

As a Baptist, after God had given me the light and I saw Triune Immersion, I could not accept it; because there is no room in the Baptist Church for it.

Therefore, the only thing for an honest man to do is to get out! That is the only thing for him to do!

I do not think I have all the light that shines from the Sun of Righteousness, and I do not think you have all; but I am going to stay where I can walk in every bit of light that shines on my pathway.

Christian Character and Right Living are what Count!

ZION, I want to exhort you to a man, never to tell a lie, and never to do a dishonest thing!

Compel every one who knows ZION to say we are a clean living people! Compel every one to say that ZION people are truthful and honest!

Let membership in ZION be as good as a bond for truthfulness and honesty.

Woe unto that man or woman who would do anything that would mar ZION's record!

Now then, before I dismiss you I want to mention the Feast of Tabernacles, to be held in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois.

Perhaps you have never studied the question. If you are interested, read the Fourteenth chapter of Zechariah.

After the Lord comes and sets up His rule, the remnants of the nations will be compelled, once a year, to send representatives to the Feast of Tabernacles. If they refuse to do it they will have no rain upon their land and they will be visited by dire plagues.

The Feast of Tabernacles in ZION is not the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles; it is a spiritual feast, using the old name, chosen by the inspired prophet of God. See Zechariah 14.

On Wednesday night, July 5th, at eight o'clock, we consecrate the people to God and give the opening address. Then for ten days there is a meeting every morning at six-thirty and every evening at 8 o'clock.

Friday, July 14th, is the anniversary of the consecration of the site of ZION Temple.

Lord's Day, July 16th, is the principal day.

I give you an earnest invitation to visit ZION CITY. You can get good rooms and board in ZION HOME at very reasonable rates.

If you want a quiet place, where there is not only fresh air but pure air, come out and spend a little time in ZION CITY. We will be glad to receive you, and we will do what we can for you.

May God sanctify this service to your good!

Look at the literature!

If you want an application form to read over, you can get one at the literature counter. I have covered it in my remarks, but you can study it for yourself.

Examine the word of prophecy. See whether ZION was to be established in these last days.

Study the Word of God!

Pray about it!

Seek God's guidance and God's face.

Come out and see ZION CITY for yourself. We are trying to build a City for God. We have had a great fight, and we are still having a great fight. The devil is determined that we shall never be able to build it, and I do not blame him.

The battles we have fought are all right. I believe that trials develop character. I believe that our battles to build ZION CITY have developed some of the finest Christian characters that ever graced the Christian church.

Jesus had to suffer, and He had to die.

I trust you will pray about these things and think them over. I will be glad to baptize any child of God, and I will be glad to pray for any sick one who is trusting God for healing and for deliverance.

Brothers and sisters, if you want to do something that is worth while, take hold and help build ZION CITY! Get into ZION, and get your money into ZION, where it will be used to build up THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Come out to the Feast! We will take you through the Institutions and Industries and show you what God has done for us.

However, we want to do more. I exhort you, every man and woman who has named the name of Jesus and who loves God and ZION, do not let it be said of you that you allowed your talents to be used for the world, the flesh, and the devil!

We have made our record, and I thank God for it. Every man and every woman in ZION, and every friend of ZION ought to see to it that as rapidly as possible thousands and tens of thousands of dollars are poured into ZION to build up the City, increase the capital of the Institutions, and extend THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

I do not take much stock in a man's Christianity who professes to be ZION, even though he may attend the services and pay his tithes, when he allows his money to be used for the world, the flesh, and the devil; instead of putting it into ZION to build up Christian institutions, employing Christian men and women, and making money to extend THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

If you can trust ZION with your spirits and your salvation, why not trust it with your money and get into it absolutely?

God has done Wonders in Building up Zion City

We have now listed over four hundred thousand dollars worth of outside properties belonging to ZION people who want to sell and come to ZION CITY.

With an unwavering faith in God Almighty we can WIN—we can conquer and do a work that will be an honor and a glory to God.

The General Financial Manager, Deacon W. Hurd Clendinen is here today. You know him; I know him. I know how he has worked for the Master, I know his loyalty, I know his devotion, and I know his business capacity and his ability.

On Saturday afternoon, ZION CITY Festal Day, if you will come out to ZION CITY we will take you through the principal Institutions and Industries. We want you to see for yourselves. We not only have all the business we can take care of, but we have more business than we can take care of. What we want is to increase our capital by fifty to one hundred thousand dollars and extend these Institutions and Industries so they may do more business and employ more people.

We pay six per cent. interest on investments.

God has done wonders. During all these years we have kept up a pay roll of a quarter of a million dollars a year, and we never have missed a pay-day and never have reduced wages.

I want a people in ZION that will surpass any of the nations. Let ZION be the most perfect organization on earth—the most efficient organization!

I believe in organization.

Come out to the Feast of Tabernacles and see for yourselves, and get your money at work for God and ZION.

Do not let your money be used to build saloons, breweries, houses of ill-fame, and so on! If you do, God will hold you accountable for it.

If you are afraid, then go where all cowards go. We do not want any cowards in ZION. We do not want any fear in ZION, except the fear of God.

ZION's work is just beginning, and in the next fifteen years I want to see ZION built up—ZION CITY built up, until the world will be compelled to say, "What is this ZION?"

ZION is no man's creation, it is no man's work; it is the ZION of prophecy.

When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory. (Psalm 102:16)

When the saints are arrayed in the wedding garments, then the Lord will come.

May God sanctify you!

May God remove the spots and blemishes, take out the wrinkles, and prepare you as a peculiar people, a holy nation, a royal people, and may you be found waiting for the coming of the King, Jesus the Christ, so that when He appears we may be ready for translation.

Then after the tribulation period we will come back with the Lord to this earth, and He will rule the nations. He will rule Chicago, and He will rule the world.

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne. (Revelation 3:21)

That is a glorious promise!

May God help us to press forward and be overcomers!

May God lead you into ZION, and prepare you, as a part of

the Bride, for the great marriage of Jesus the Christ and the Church!

Let all stand!

BENEDICTION

Father in Heaven, take this audience into a sacred nearness with Thyself. Sanctify us wholly! O God, our Father, keep us steadfast and faithful, we ask it in Jesus' Name and for His sake and Thy honor and glory; Amen.

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost by *Evangelist Francis N. Cunningham*, in the Illinois River, at Glassford, Ill., June 23, 1916:

Mrs. Dela Morey,

Mr. Z. Morey,

Miss Jennie Stokie,

In Crystal Lake, Crystal, Illinois, June 10, 1916:

Mr. Carl Herman Benson

Mrs. Minnie Ward

Miss Nora Ward.

RESTORATION WORK

ILLINOIS

Following are reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago, Illinois:

Misses H. Buhman and B. Schelhorn,

Three weeks ending June 12th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....750

"Leaves of Healing" given.....177

"Theocrats" given.....85

Messages given.....260

Total pieces distributed.....1272

Mrs. Molback

"Leaves of Healing" mailed.....44

"Theocrats" mailed.....4

Messages given.....93

Total pieces distributed.....141

Mrs. Peetz and Mrs. Hinkston

Two weeks ending June 12th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....128

"Leaves of Healing" given.....3

"Theocrats" given.....4

Messages given.....537

Tracts given.....26

Total pieces distributed.....696

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

Three Saturdays, ending June 10th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....132

"Leaves of Healing" given.....24

"Theocrats" given.....15

Messages given.....800

Total pieces distributed.....971

Subscription to "Leaves of Healing" 1

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyt of Hampton, Illinois, sent in the following Report of Restoration Work done during the month of May 1916; ending June 2nd, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....40

"Leaves of Healing" given.....5

"Leaves of Healing" mailed.....5

Messages given.....10

Total pieces distributed.....60

INDIANA

Mrs. Mary F. Bohn of Greenfield, Indiana sent in the following Report of Restoration Work done during three months, ending June 2nd, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....62

"Leaves of Healing" given and

mailed.....22

"Theocrats" given.....9

Messages given.....204

Total pieces distributed.....297

Subscription to "Leaves of Healing" 4

MINNESOTA

Mrs. Hattie J. Anderson of Hill City, Minnesota, sent in the following Report of Restoration Work done during the month of May 1916; ending June 2nd, 1916

Calls made.....48

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....30

"Leaves of Healing" given.....9

Messages given.....6

Total pieces distributed.....45

OHIO

Evangelist August Hammock sends in the following Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio:

Mrs. Wm. B. Barrowcliff and Mrs. Chas. W. Fulton

Two weeks ending June 11th, 1916

Calls made.....80

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....42

Messages given.....69

Total pieces distributed.....111

Mrs. Wamsley and Mrs. G. Hammock

Week ending June 4th, 1916

"Leaves of Healing" given.....3

Souvenirs of Zion City sold.....2

Total pieces distributed.....5

NEW YORK

Messrs. Geo. V. Ballegooyen, D. V. Glesen, W. Pinkett, and Mrs. Bower and Mrs. Camren of New York City, report the following Restoration Work, done during one month, ending May 31st, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....302

"Leaves of Healing" given.....24

"Theocrats" given.....5

Messages given.....100

Total pieces distributed.....431

Subscriptions to "Leaves of Healing" 8

TEXAS

Mrs. Robert A. Ferrell, Dallas, Texas, sent in the following Report of Restoration Work, done during months of April and May 1916:

Special Calls made.....30

"Leaves of Healing" given.....220

"Theocrats" given.....16

Messages given.....1480

Quotations from Bible.....100

Total pieces distributed.....1816

INTRODUCTORY SUBSCRIPTIONS TO

The Theocrat

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There is a great field for a clean, truthful Zion newspaper. An earnest, united effort on the part of all officers, members and friends of Zion, in response to this proposition, will mean that the subscription list for THE THEOCRAT will be greatly built up and extended.

An Interesting Letter From--and an Important Address by Clement Friend Hawkins, of Australia

AUSTRALIA, April 28, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, B. A., B. D.,
General Overseer, C. C. A. C. in ZION,
Zion City, Illinois.

My dear Friend:

On my Forty-sixth birthday, April 16, 1916, I attended ZION Tabernacle, Melbourne. At the conclusion of the service Elder Smith, with whom I had had a talk previously, called upon me to pray. I responded.

This was the first time I had ever opened my lips in a religious service for nearly ten years. The last time I had prayed was in 1906, in ZION Tabernacle, Swanson Street, Melbourne.

Hundreds of times friends had since then pleaded with me to take up public work again, in this church and that church, but I always shook my head. I told them that if ever my voice were raised again in public religious work, it would be within the walls of ZION.

The following Sunday (Easter Lord's Day) at Elder Smith's invitation I gave an address, entitled, "My Ten Years' Silence." Elder Smith has notes of this, which he will probably send on to you.

I felt like one who had risen from the grave! Only God knows how glad I was to hear my own voice again on a ZION platform!

A thousand times during the long, lonely years since last I saw you have I wished to write to you, but I felt the time had not yet come. I had wandered a long way away, and it took a long time to get back. Instead of going to the Living Christ with my broken heart, I soaked myself in German philosophy.

The book-sellers in Sydney and Melbourne told me I was the first Australian to have a complete set of the great modern German philosopher, Nietzsche (eighteen volumes), whose philosophy, or Gospel, of the super-man was particularly fascinating to one of my type and experience.

But I found no rest for my soul in Nietzsche, and no healing for my body. Jesus the Christ is the only Savior and Healer.

When I gave up public work I went onto the land. For several years I have not engaged in active farm work, but have been in the Educational Department of Victoria.

I have been taking up a course of study by correspondence for the D. E. degree (Diploma of Education), at the Melbourne University.

I was at the University the whole of the week before Easter, taking examinations. Last December I took another series of examinations, and I am hoping to complete my course by next December. I have had excellent reports from the District Departmental Inspector.

When I have obtained my diploma I shall be able to take a large city school. But my heart has been turning more and more toward ZION and ZION CITY. I have hopes of being able to take a trip to ZION CITY and have a long conference with you for future work in ZION. I feel I should have a larger field for teaching, and could help to build up the old work in which I had so many days of delightful associations with you.

I was almost moved to tears last Sunday as I watched the little robed Choir in ZION in Melbourne. A little girl leading the processional reminded me most vividly of little Ruth—now, I suppose, quite grown up.

Elder Smith is faithfully holding the fort in Melbourne. I noticed many of the old faces in the audience in Melbourne on Sunday night.

Will you pray that I may be Divinely guided in making the next great move in my life—perhaps the most important one of all?

Wishing you every blessing and the power of God upon your work, I am

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) CLEMENT FRIEND HAWKINS.

MY TEN YEARS' SILENCE

EXTRACTS FROM AN ADDRESS GIVEN BY CLEMENT FRIEND HAWKINS, IN ZION TABERNACLE, MELBOURNE, ON LORD'S DAY, APRIL 23, 1916

The first part of my talk will be a semi-confidential chat with the old members of ZION.

It is nearly ten years ago since I last took part in a religious service. That service was held in the old ZION Tabernacle in Swanson Street. Many of you heard me then.

I have never opened my lips in a religious service since, until I prayed in the meeting here last Sunday.

I felt as if I had come back from the grave. My very voice seemed strange to me. After being buried ten years, it is singularly appropriate that I should have my spiritual resurrection on this Easter Sunday.

It seems almost incredible that a man who has been engaged in active public work all his life should suddenly become dumb and almost dead. Yet that is exactly what happened in my case, and that is part of the story I want to tell to you tonight.

I feel that it is not only proper, but it is due from me to you, who were my friends and helpers in the old days, to explain my attitude toward the work and faith we love so dearly. To make any kind of an explanation will necessitate my talking about myself, so you must pardon the personal note that may sound in this address.

When the crisis of 1906 came in ZION—Elder Smith here will not admit that it was a crisis; for he simply regards it as just a little bump the devil gave ZION. However, the Elder is a born optimist and a born fighter. We are not all born that way. I am not much of a fighter myself; but I am a great admirer of the warrior, and I would do anything to help the fighter that lay in my power. Perhaps it is a case of admiring in others the qualities one is conscious of not possessing one's self. Anyhow, I have the greatest admiration for the way Brother Smith and Brother Garton have stuck to their guns in ZION.

I do not know whether my soul was strung to a higher key, or made of finer stuff, or was more delicately sensitive; I only know that the crisis of 1906 struck me a dreadful blow—and everything in my sensitive soul seemed to snap. I felt then, and for years afterward, that I should never recover. Like a man in the prize-fighting ring who is counted out when he falls if unable to rise before ten is counted, I said, "Lord, I am out! Count me out! Count me out forever!"

I was stunned and heart-broken. It was impossible to understand and there was no one in Australia to explain. Perhaps, at that time, there was no one in the world who could explain.

I do not say I was justified in going into the silence and into the grave, but I could not fight with a broken heart.

I loved both Dowie and Voliva. I knew in my heart that no man in the world had been more thoroughly and conscientiously loyal to John Alexander Dowie than Wilbur Glenn Voliva had been. I could do nothing but simply go away and hide myself and my broken heart in the great quiet back-country of Central Australia.

Gradually things got clearer; and at last, so far as ZION itself was concerned, the dust and smoke of battle cleared away.

Under the leadership of Wilbur Glenn Voliva ZION was brought back on the old lines, and John Alexander Dowie was restored to the spiritual leadership of the Movement. And that is where history will place him for all time; and alongside of the name of Dowie will be written in history the name of Voliva.

In the old days of ZION's triumph in Australia, I always prophesied that Wilbur Glenn Voliva would some day succeed the Founder of the ZION Movement; and, although prophesying is a risky business, I congratulate myself that this prophecy has become fulfilled.

I confess right here that I have always had a great love for Wilbur Glenn Voliva—a love amounting to more than friend-

ship; and the longing to be with him again in ZION CITY has come to me a thousand times during these long ten years.

However, hitherto there have been many insuperable difficulties, some of which I cannot refer to tonight. It is much easier for one in the rank and file to get back than it is for an officer, especially if that officer prides himself on being thoroughly honest with his own soul before his own God.

I know exactly what getting back means. I know Wilbur Glenn Voliva so well, and love him so well, that unless I could absolutely and wholeheartedly commit myself and my life again to the work in ZION, I would keep away.

But you can all see tonight, you can all feel it, that I am getting back. This very address will help me to clear the way and find out where I am.

Lately I have been viewing matters in the light of history. I have just been studying for an examination at the Melbourne University, in Ancient, Modern, and Constitutional history, in connection with the degree for the Diploma of Education; and I have been struck with the way all great reform movements have jolted on the nerves of the people and how the people have always wanted to kill the leaders; how they have laughed at every setback these reformers have had. Yet what a splendid place in history these grand old reformers and martyrs have secured! We build temples to the memory of the people we have crucified. That is what the world will do for John Alexander Dowie; but it may take them one hundred years to find out that he was a prophet sent from God.

Now, I cannot attempt to discuss tonight the great questions of inspiration, or the Divine supervision of the universe, or the Divinity of Jesus the Christ; but, taking these for granted, I can confidently say to you, ZION IS ALL RIGHT.

Mistakes have been made; that was inevitable. ZION has had tremendous setbacks. These were inevitable; they have made for the purification of ZION. Let us hope that ZION may not need a repetition of them.

I say again, ZION IS ALL RIGHT. I say it to the old members, I say it to the new members. And I say more—I say, Voliva is all right. That is, so far as I can judge.

I know this, that Wilbur Glenn Voliva was one of the purest minded and most conscientious men I ever knew. I have no reason to think he has changed.

While in Australia he was scrupulously conscientious in his loyalty and obedience to ZION's Founder. I have every reason to believe that he remains loyal to ZION's principles and to ZION's God.

Before I conclude I will announce my text (I do not suppose it matters at which end of the sermon the text comes): "Seek ye first THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

We in ZION spell THE KINGDOM OF GOD with four letters, the first of which is "Z."

(1) The foundation of ZION was the cutting of a new furrow in the field of historical reform. The very daring and originality of the movement is a proof of its inspiration.

(2) The building up of ZION unifies and centralizes human effort and faith, so that it is able to link up with the Divine.

(3) The elements of apparent exaggeration in ZION are all essential to reform propaganda and serve a Divine purpose.

In connection with the second proposition I would like to remind you of H. G. Wells' illustration of full salvation.

Wells is one of the leading figures in English literature today and has made an international reputation as a philosopher. Speaking as a philosopher, he points out that he considers a man fully saved who has some great leading, all-pervading, over-powering ambition or aspiration in life which brings into line all his scattered hopes and emotions and passions and instincts.

Translate this into religious terms, and you have in ZION that very over-powering, all-pervading aspiration and hope. This gathers up all the loose ends of life and wasted efforts into one great unity and faith. This unity of faith expresses itself in the rearing up of a beautiful city on earth where the corruptions and impurities that damn all earthly cities are provided against, not only by the Church's teaching but by the very conditions in the leases under which the property is sold.

The bogus spiritualistic medium says, "Give me a sufficiently sensitive and highly developed human instrument and I will show you the very power of God."

We say, "Give us a clean city, safe-guarded by those forces that make for righteousness, and you shall see the very power of

God manifested in actual everyday life in a way never dreamed of before."

Such a city and such a Church become the channel through which God can express Himself amongst men.

In connection with the third proposition just mentioned, I can only take time to say this that the strong and plain language used in ZION to describe sin and denounce sin—some of the shocking and scathing things that are said and done on ZION platforms—are really all parts, and essential parts, of every reformer's methods.

New ideas and new methods always look exaggerated, and a reformer has to make a fuss and a noise or nobody will listen to him. He has to get the ears of the people.

Speaking as a teacher—the profession I have adopted for some years—I know how necessary it is to make striking and somewhat exaggerated pictures and criticisms of pupils' errors and difficulties, in order to impress them and their falsity upon the minds of the children.

In ZION we are teaching, and often teaching children in Faith. We have to impress deeply upon the minds of the people the errors and sins of the times.

We have heard and read shocking and terrible things from John Alexander Dowie, and I have often heard ZION's present General Overseer called anything and everything but a gentleman for what he said and did on the platform. However, all who knew Wilbur Glenn Voliva in private life, especially in intimate private life, know he is a thorough gentleman. The same was true of John Alexander Dowie.

Let me say in conclusion, that it is as a teacher that I am looking forward to some day working in ZION CITY.

The hope of ZION is in the young people. The future of ZION is in the hands of the generation of young men and women. Without any accessions of membership from outside, a strong people and a prosperous, God-fearing community can be built up from among our young people and children. Here lies the source of ZION's strength.

God bless the young!

God keep the children!

Memories and impressions of childhood remain with us through life and color all our thoughts and actions.

Childhood and manhood in ZION must almost necessarily mean a consecrated life.

God keep and bless both old and young till Jesus comes!

Learned to Know the Lord Through Reading "Leaves of Healing"

—MARYLAND, March 15, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to thee!"

It is with praise to God and honor to ZION teaching that I can say I am living. It was 17 years ago that I accepted Christ as my "All and in All." It was through reading LEAVES OF HEALING that I learned to know the Lord as my Healer, as well as my Savior. I have been healed of some very severe diseases since coming to ZION.

During the first sixteen years of my married life, I never knew what it was to be without a doctor.

I saw that it was my duty to tithe, but I let Satan hinder me at times, each time it went very hard with me. But God did not permit the devil to conquer, and after promising to do all that I ought to do, I have been kept, for which I praise and bless His Holy Name.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. MINNIE IMMLER.

Side Healed in Answer to Zion's Prayer

—Mo., May 29, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I will write to you and let you know that prayer was answered. My side is well again. I am thankful to God for all his goodness to me and mine.

Yours in the Master's Name,

(Signed) MRS. DORA GREISS LOCKARD.

ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

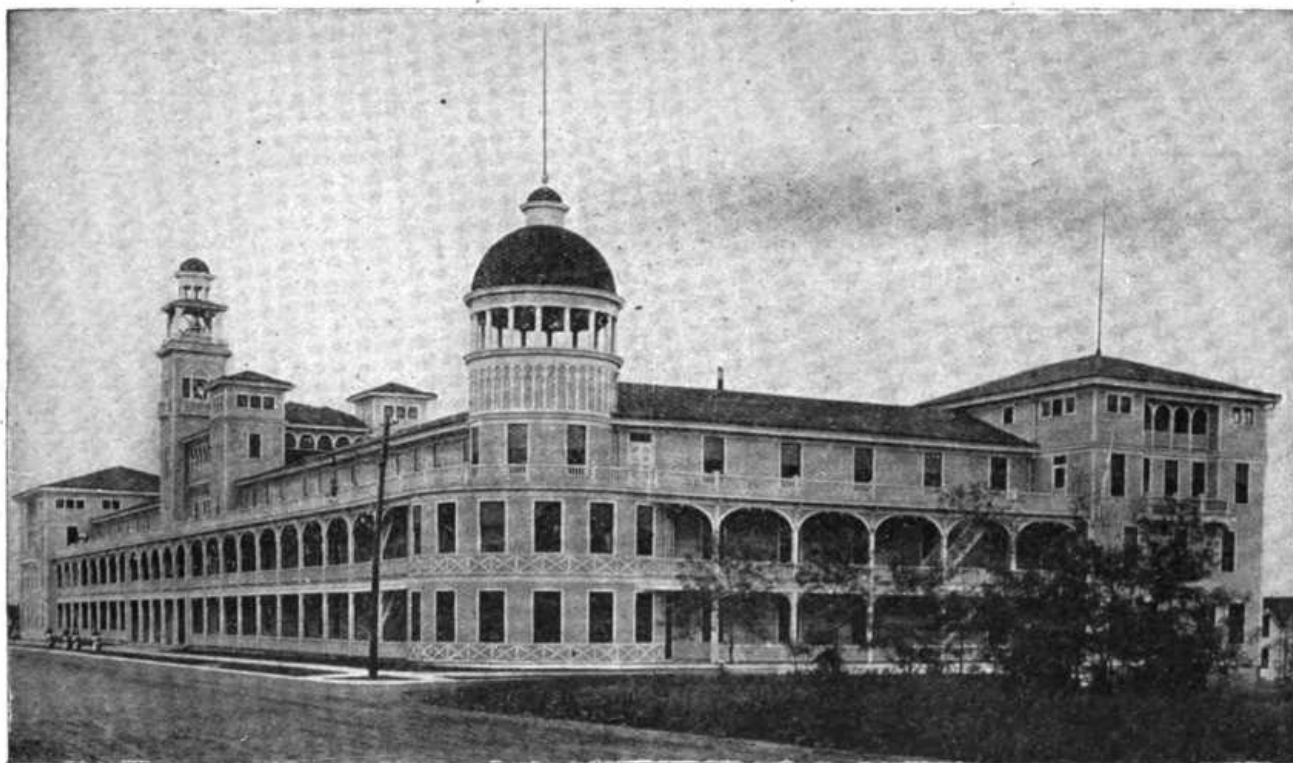
ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION HOME is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION HOME is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.



ZION HOME

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, renovating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION HOME.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."
Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple. The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries.

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH

9:30 A. M.

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

CANTATA BETHANY

Wm. ApMadoc.....W. Rhys-Herbert
Semi-Chorus from Zion White-Robed Choir.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 4	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 5	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 6	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 7	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 8	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 9	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 10	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 11	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 12	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 13	33.6 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 14	29 acres	185 per acre
Total -	799.6 acres	

NOW IS THE TIME TO SECURE A HOME IN ZION CITY

WE OFFER FOR SALE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

No. 1.	4-room house, good well, near school,	\$ 850.00
No. 2.	8-room house, good basement, electric lights, nicely located	2,250.00
No. 3.	5-room house, good basement, electric lights, sewer connections, centrally located,	SOLD
No. 4.	6-room house, good basement, electric lights, deep well, corner lot, near Tabernacle,	SOLD
No. 5.	10-room house, fine location, modern, hot water system,	4,700.00
No. 6.	6-room house, basement, electric lights, nicely located,	SOLD
No. 7.	6-room house, practically new, good basement, electric lights, well, cistern,	2,500.00
No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

SPECIAL NOTICE

It being our desire to encourage members and friends of ZION to take a quantity of the current issue of LEAVES OF HEALING regularly each week, we herewith make the following announcement:

Persons living in the United States who purchase them for Seventy work and who pay for them entirely out of their own pocket, can have a quantity of not less than five copies mailed to them regularly each week at three cents per copy. Persons living in Canada can get them at four cents per copy, and in foreign countries at five cents per copy, the difference being the amount of postage required in mailing them. Anyone taking a quantity in this way must pay for them at regular intervals of at least four weeks in advance. For instance, anyone desiring ten copies per week can remit One Dollar and Twenty Cents regularly every four weeks, and persons desiring fifteen copies, One Dollar and Eighty Cents every four weeks, etc.

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Zion, the Ark of Refuge for God's People

By APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

MAN is, without question, the noblest work of God's creation. It was only after the heavens were created, according to the divine plan, and the earth made to be a fit abode for man, that he came forth; the finished product of God's creative hand.

The Word of God tells us plainly that man was created, in the image of God, and was endowed with certain attributes which enabled him to hold communion with God, to know and to do His will, to carry out the divine plan of dominion over the works of His hands.

MAN'S PLACE IN CREATION

Hear what the Psalmist says:—

"When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained;

"What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? and the son of man that Thou visitest him?

"For Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

"Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands; Thou hast put all things under his feet:

"All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;

"The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

"O Lord our Lord, how excellent is Thy Name in all the earth!—Psalm 8:3-9.

Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark; and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him; so did he. Genesis 6:14, 22.



And the Lord said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before Me in this generation. Genesis 7:1.

Instead of man choosing to carry out the Divine plan, of living in communion with, in submission and obedience to God the Almighty, he chose to carve out his own career. Instead of being dependent upon God, he chose to cut himself loose from the counsel, the guidance and direction of the Almighty, and create for himself a civilization, which was to be the product of the highest and best of man's genius along political, commercial, industrial, educational, and social lines or activities.

CIVILIZATION ENDS IN FAILURE

There has been a great deal of discussion in recent years, regarding the evolution of man, which has sought to trace certain developments, which form the predominant characteristics of the human race. There can be no question as to what the distinguishing characteristics of the human race are.

"For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

"Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

"Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

"Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away."—II. Timothy 3:2-5.

What a terrible contrast this picture of humanity is, in com-

parison to that given in the first and second chapters of Genesis, which present man as a perfect being, made in the likeness of God.

Instead of developing the Divine attributes, he allowed Satan to mar and deface the image of God. It is therefore no wonder that sin and all its attendant horrors have found their expression in man's being, corrupting his nature, filling the earth with violence and every manner of iniquity.

CIVILIZATION NO EVIDENCE OF SALVATION

The veneer of civilization is not sufficient to cover up the terrible corruption that is imbedded in human nature. Civilization at no time has been an evidence of salvation. No moral, or spiritual transformation is required to produce civilization. God Almighty has nothing but contempt for all the accomplishments of mankind, no matter how wonderful they may be, where He is left out.

The inventions, discoveries and accomplishments, made by mankind without the knowledge of God, are as nothing in comparison with what would have been accomplished, had man remained in submission and obedience to the Divine will.

The various nations have built their halls of fame, in which they have reproduced in marble the intellectual giants of ages; but the day will speedily come, in which all the works of man will perish. God has pronounced judgments upon evildoers, and these judgments are sure to come. The cities of the nations are sure to fall. The governments, made by man, are sure to perish; and the wisdom of this world is sure to be brought to nought.

The terrible judgments and disasters, recorded in the Word of God, should be a warning to sinners and evildoers today.

Fifteen centuries after God had created man, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, the Lord said:

"My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."—Genesis 6:3.

"And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

"And it repented the Lord that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him at His heart.

"And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth Me that I have made them."—Genesis 6:5-7.

How sad it was indeed that God had to say, after centuries of patient waiting and forbearance, that "it repenteth Me that I have made them!"

Our Lord Jesus the Christ sums up the tendency of the antediluvian age in the words:

"They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all."—Luke 17:27.

"For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

"And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." — Matthew 24:38-39.

There are no particular crimes and acts of violence charged against the antediluvians, but the record plainly states "that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."

"The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

"And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth."—Genesis 6:11-12.

NOAH A PREACHER OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Godliness and piety had almost vanished from the earth. Only one righteous man was left, who had any regard for God the Almighty, and who sought to do His will, no matter how unpopular it might be.

People, at times, have made the statement that it is impossible for them to live a consistent Christian life, without compromise, amidst the terrible surroundings in which they live.

While it is true that it is much more difficult for any one to do the will of God, when opposed on every hand by evildoers; yet the life, experience and work of Noah prove conclusively that it is possible for man to live for God, though his environment be corrupt.

Noah was in submission to the will of God, and he put himself in God's hands. He became a preacher of righteousness, protested against the corruption, violence, and ungodliness of his generation, and was willing to obey the call to build an ark, for the saving of his house.

Noah therefore stands out in the Word of God, as one of the great heroes of faith.

"By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."—Hebrews 11:7.

The story of the deluge is one of the best authenticated of all the happenings of mankind. Traditions of this terrible disaster, corresponding in the main details with the record, given in the book of Genesis, are found among the ancient Babylonians and Egyptians; among the Chinese, the Indians, and even among the tribes of the American Indians.

It remains for an apostate ministry, led astray by the satanic delusion of higher criticism, or better said, hellish criticism, to make light of the story of the world-wide deluge and disaster, described upon the Sacred Page. Not only does the record in the Word of God declare that "the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered," but at various times, relics, indicating the existence of the flood, have been found upon hills and mountains in different localities of the earth. Were there no traditions among the nations, and no material evidence to be found in the world, the story of the world-wide deluge, given in the Word of God, would still be true, for "let God be true and every man a liar."

God has raised up ZION for the purpose of declaring all the truths and facts contained in the Holy Scriptures.

ZION has no use for the wisdom of man, which belittles the record of the Sacred Page.

ZION believes that God is just and righteous in bringing upon the human race judgments and punishments.

NOAH'S ARK A PROTEST AGAINST A WORLD-WIDE CORRUPTION

The story of Noah's Ark stands out as one of the great beacon lights of history. This Ark, built by Noah, represents all the elements of a consistent and persistent life of obedience to the will and plan of God. This Ark stands not only as a protest against the ungodliness and wickedness of the antediluvian age, but it also represents a radical division and separation from it. It represents a life of self-denial and self-sacrifice, of trial and hardship, of patience and endurance on the part of Noah; of opposition and persecution, of ridicule and mocking on the part of the scoffing world.

The Ark became the only place of refuge and safety in the universal maelstrom which engulfed humanity. One hundred and twenty years of grace, of forbearing and patient waiting was given of God to the human race.

No doubt, when the windows of heaven were opened and the fountains of the deep gushed forth their mighty floods, there were multitudes that looked to the hills and mountains for safety and protection. But there was no safety, and no protection, and no refuge to be found anywhere.

How much better it would have been for them to have hearkened to the call of God, given by this preacher of righteousness, and to have cast in their lot with Noah in the building of the Ark, or the building of other Arks, according to the same divine plan given to Noah.

The time, however, to make the preparation, was not after the judgments of the Almighty began to come upon the earth, but during the years of grace preceding.

There came a time when Noah was commanded to enter into the Ark which he had built for the saving of his house. The statement is made that the Lord "shut him in," and oh, what a sad story it is to see the whole world shut out, because they had despised the day of grace.

There are many lessons for God's people to learn today from the story of the flood. History repeats itself. The Lord plainly stated, during His earthly ministry, that, "as the days of Noah

were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be."—Matthew 24:37.

"For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

"And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be."—Matthew 24:38, 39.

"And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man."—Luke 17:26.

THE TERRIBLE APOSTASY OF THE CLOSING GOSPEL AGE

The time has again arrived in the development of the human race, when God has been almost entirely shut out from the affairs of mankind. And though the accomplishments of modern civilization are exploited as being marvelous in the extreme, there never has been a time in the history of the world, when the earth has been corrupted and filled with violence, with impurity, intemperance, infidelity, as it is today.

The degeneration of human nature can be seen in the satanic institutions of Breweries, Distilleries, Saloons, Tobacco-shops, Drug-stores, Hospitals, Masonic Temples, Sunday-newspapers, Godless Institutions of Learning, Christian Science, Spiritualism, Theosophy, and many other false religions.

The question for one and all of God's people to answer is, whether God has made any provision in this day and age for the rescue of His saints from the terrible conditions which exist in the world. No one can read the record of the Word of God without realizing that God, in every age, had some place of refuge for His people.

When mankind became corrupt after the flood, God established the Jewish commonwealth in the Promised land, as a place of preservation and development for those who were willing to do the will of God. The Jewish Commonwealth failed to carry out the Divine purpose of establishing THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Jesus the Christ set it aside, and established the Christian Church in its stead.

Provision was made for the followers of the Christ to escape the terrible judgments which were to come upon Jerusalem, and directions were given by the Christ to flee to the mountains, and not to return to the city which was encamped by the legions of the Roman armies.

Provision was made in the little city of Pella in the same way as provision was made for the rescue of Lot in the city of Zoar, when he was commanded by the angel to forsake Sodom and Gomorrah.

Provision has also been made at the end of the age for God's people to escape the terrible conditions of corruption and ungodliness, existing throughout the world today.

"In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and His children shall have a place of refuge."—Proverbs 14:26.

"Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

"For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.

"So the heathen shall fear the Name of the Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy glory.

"When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory.

"He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.

"This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the Lord.

"For He hath looked down from the height of His sanctuary; from heaven did the Lord behold the earth;

"To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are appointed to death;

"To declare the Name of the Lord in ZION, and His praise in Jerusalem;

"When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to serve the Lord."—Psalm 102:13-22.

As the Christian Church was ordained by the Christ to be the fold for His disciples, when the Jewish Commonwealth had served its purpose, and had become useless as an organization for the establishment of the rule of God upon the earth, so ZION, at the close of the Gospel age, is destined to be the fold and the place of refuge for the saints of God, when the so-called Christian church as an institution has lost its savor, and has

become useless in proclaiming the Gospel of THE KINGDOM to the nations of the earth.

ZION CITY IS THE INEVITABLE OUTCOME OF THE ZION MOVEMENT

The building of ZION CITY in an age of unbelief, indifference and lukewarmness, such as the world is today, is without question the greatest accomplishment, to put the teachings of the Word of God into practice, and to put the facts and results of salvation, healing, and holy living in a concrete and materialized form before the world.

The building of ZION and of a ZION CITY means the welding together of the material, educational, industrial, commercial, social, and political forces of those who are earnestly looking forward, and preparing for the speedy coming of Jesus the Christ.

The building of a ZION CITY is, without question, one of the greatest wonders of the world.

The building of a ZION CITY should be, in this day and age, a counterpart of the building of the Ark in the Antediluvian Age. To one man, Noah, was given the vision and commission to build an Ark of safety for his household in that age; to one man, John Alexander Dowie, in this day and age, was given the vision and commission to build up ZION and ZION CITY as a place of refuge for God's people.

In order to accomplish the building of an Ark, it was necessary for Noah to devote his entire life, to use all his talents, and to put ALL HIS INVESTMENTS into the accomplishment of this ONE great task, which would remain after the great catastrophe had swept every thing else aside.

As it was impossible for Noah to build his Ark, or to have an Ark of safety without self-denial and self-sacrifice, so it is impossible for God's people in these latter days to enjoy the blessings of a ZION CITY WITHOUT SELF-DENIAL AND SELF-SACRIFICE.

There are thousands of people throughout the world today, calling themselves Christians, who would be glad to live in a ZION CITY, where no liquor, no tobacco, no profanity, no sabbath-breaking, nor other prevalent vices are to be found, provided it required no self-denial and no self-sacrifice on their part.

GOD PLANNED, BUT NOAH BUILT THE ARK

There are thousands of people who would be glad to live in a ZION CITY that had dropped down out of the skies, out of heaven; but if they are called upon to sell their properties, or farms, or houses and lands in Kentucky, Iowa, California, or any other place, they wail and groan, and are not willing to pay the price.

Had they lived in the Antediluvian Age, and been given the promise of a place of refuge, they would have demanded of God that He drop down from the skies the finished Ark, with every provision fully made, and they would not have been so foolish as Noah was, to put in their whole life-time in building it for themselves.

They would have refused, in his place, to have sold their houses and lands, they would have refused to cut loose from worldly enterprises and associations, they would have refused to have become an object of pity and scorn and ridicule, they would have refused to have been the laughing stock of the world, as was Noah in his day and age.

They would have preferred to have lived in their beautiful mansions and have been owners of vast estates and enterprises. They would have built Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, or other apostate churches, in environments polluted with saloons, tobacco-shops, theaters, drug-stores, and other hellish institutions, rather than to have had part in the building of a Shiloh Tabernacle, in a ZION CITY, free from these curses.

The result would have been that they would have lost all, because they endeavored to gain all, whereas Noah gained all, because he was willing to lose all.

God put His seal of approval upon Noah in the building of an Ark, not merely for the purpose of granting him spiritual, but also material; not only heavenly, but also earthly; not only eternal, but also temporal blessings. For when all humanity had perished from the face of the whole earth, Noah, because of his self-denial and self-sacrifice, was carried through the terrible catastrophe of the world-wide deluge, and carried through with him the repre-

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**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

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HOW LONG HALT YE BETWEEN TWO OPINIONS?

By Elder Frank Robinson

IN the 18th chapter of 1st Kings we have recorded, by the inspired writer of this sacred history, the story of how Elijah, that mighty prophet of God in Israel, lined up the people for God and the cause of His KINGDOM.

This man of God, filled with indignation and sorrow at the apostasy of God's people Israel, was commissioned by God to pronounce the awful judgments which came as a direct result of the national sin of idolatry.

King Ahab, a wicked and godless character, who had for an accomplice a woman by the name of Jezebel, whose hands were dyed with the blood of many of God's murdered prophets, was the avowed enemy of Elijah, who had come to him and charged him as king of the nation with the national sins and abominations.

When the judgments began to fall, God secreted Elijah from the wrath of Ahab, for Ahab sought, as he thought, in every nook and corner of all the kingdoms of earth for Elijah, believing that could he destroy him Israel would be able to go on in her sin and degradation without rebuke.

At last, when the people began to realize they had enough judgments, and were humbled, God sent Elijah to King Ahab and, preserving him by divine interposition, gave him an audience with the king.

Standing before that haughty monarch, Elijah accused him of forsaking the commandments of Jehovah, the true God of Israel. Elijah commanded King Ahab to call the people of Israel and all the priests of Baal to assemble on Mount Carmel.

What a scene! How the angels must have wept!

The sinning, erring people of God, offspring of that host whom God led out of slavery in Egypt, by cloudy pillar and pillar of fire, through the red sea and wilderness, delivering them from their enemies by day and by night, nourishing and protecting them until He brought them into the promised land, now standing in judgment before the lone prophet of God on Mount Carmel.

Why did they not now destroy him?

Why did they not blot him off the face of the earth, now that they had him alone?

Ah! the judgments of God were still fresh in their memory and they realized that, back of that one, lone, rugged prophet of God, there was an unseen power, which soon was to be made manifest to every heart.

Listen! Hear now this lone prophet of God, standing confronting King Ahab, the four hundred fifty prophets of Baal, and the vast multitude of Israel, as his voice rings out.

The murmurings of the multitude ceases and in breathless silence they listen as the representative of Jehovah demands of them—"How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God follow Him, but if Baal then follow him."

After a very wonderful demonstration of God Almighty's power, the people all cry out with one voice, "The Lord, He is the God." Their halting between two opinions, diametrically in opposition, ceased and once more, Israel chose the One, True and Living God, and the prophets of Baal were slain, every one.

This wonderful story, which took place thousands of years ago, has been carefully recorded and preserved by God, and handed down for our admonition and warning. It is not a myth or fable, but the true record of actual facts, and it is a timely warning for this day and age, in view of the fact that God's people have been almost swallowed up in the maws of these colossal organized monsters, dedicated to his satanic majesty, the devil, whether they be so-called churches, societies, trusts or governments, which are deceiving the people into believing that they can serve both God and mammon, Christ and the devil. But, for how long?

That is a question, which you, my brother, my sister, in or out of Christ, will have to answer for yourselves.

Once more, on Zion's Holy Hill, another prophet of God cries out with no uncertain sound, "How long halt ye between two opinions?"

As the night shadows gather thick and fast over all the earth, that cry is becoming louder, stronger and more intensified.

"How long halt ye between two opinions?"

It is not couched in smooth language or oily words, but is as the cry of the watchman at midnight, as he sees the fire, fanned by a whirlwind, bursting forth to sweep to destruction the sleeping populace. No time to lose! No time to go back for valuables or trinkets. Life is at stake! Flee! So today the watchman of ZION stands upon the Holy Hill of God, viewing the slumbering world, seeing the outburst of hellfire, fanned by the maddening passions of sin-cursed humanity, accelerated by the marvels of inventive genius, cries: How long will you tarry at the gates of death? How long halt ye between two opinions? Flee from the wrath to come!

How long before you decide to serve the One, True and Living God, accepting Jesus the Christ as your only Saviour, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper?

How long before you repent of your sins? Confessing and forsaking them. How long before you pay up that conscience money, those tithes which you have stolen from God? God's eye is upon you and you cannot escape. Sometime, somewhere, somehow, you will stand before God and face your sins. The sooner the better. Why not now?

How long are you going to wait? How long are you going to try to serve the flesh and the spirit?

That is the question that confronts us today, sounded forth by another of God's prophets on Mount ZION.

How long will you try to do the impossible?

Christ said: "Ye cannot serve God and mammon!" "No man can serve two masters." In the necessity of the case we will have to abandon ourselves to God or the devil. "The flesh lusteth against the spirit and the spirit against the flesh." They are in opposition, irreconcilable, absolutely and always.

Perhaps you are saying: "I know this, but how can I escape from the bondage of the devil, bound as I am, hand and foot, to serve him." How long is this to continue?

No longer than it is your will it shall continue.

You may be in spiritual and mental agony, perhaps your body is racked with pain and disease and you feel that no one was ever in such a condition as you are, and the devil has tempted you to believe that you could put an end to the conflict once for all, by putting an end to your life here on earth, but—listen!

You are an immortal spirit and you cannot put an end to the life of your spirit, while your body may moulder and decay, your spirit will live on. You cannot put an end to the conflict that way, for in hell your sorrows and sufferings would only be increased and intensified.

Sorrowing one, there is escape and deliverance for you. It can come now. You must remember that God loves you and gave heaven's richest treasure for you, even His Only Begotten Son, for your redemption and salvation. No matter to what depth you have fallen. If you will repent, confess, restore and forsake your sins; if you will obey God in baptism, tithing and a labor of love, which He demands, He will bless you with peace and deliverance, and enable you to work out your salvation. As you read and study His precious Word, the Bible, He will lead you into green pastures, beside the still waters and at last, if you are faithful to the end, will give you eternal life.

Read and study ZION Literature and it will help you in the problems of your daily life. Become acquainted with ZION. ZION alone has the key to the signs of the times. While all other organizations are disputing and questioning God's Word, ZION stands squarely for the Infallible inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, and teaches that God's Word shall stand forever.

ZION Literature will teach you the way to repentance, restitution and peace through Jesus the Christ. There is no other way to God.

How long before you accept the only true and living way that ZION presents? "Eventually ZION—Why not now?"

How long before you surrender all to God, spirit, soul and body?

How long before you put all on the altar to build a city of God, a royal generation, a holy people?

You cannot be at peace until you are in harmony with God's will.

How long will God have to wait until you get there?

How long are you going to stifle your conscience in an apostate church when you know that they are trying to sanction the practices of hell with the blessings of heaven? Eventually you will have to get out of Babel.

How long are you going to leave your money in worldly

banks and institutions to be loaned to raise hogs, or establish saloons, breweries, houses of ill fame, tobacco factories, theatres, dance halls and many other things which God abhors and which the devil is seeking to borrow capital to establish.

Remember the Lord's parable of the ten talents. If you continue to bury your talent in the world, how long before God will say "Cut it down, why cumbereth it the ground?"

There is one more "How long," to which I wish to draw attention, to be found in Revelation 6:9. It is the cry of the waiting saints:

"And when He had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God, and for the testimony which they held: and they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, Holy and True, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?"

And will not God avenge His own elect which cry unto Him day and night? Yes, He will avenge them, but, how long before He does? We are told that He will avenge them speedily, however, God loves you and me as He loves them and He is calling us to get into the ark of safety before the judgments come and sweep over all the earth with the besom of destruction.

God tells us He will not keep His anger for ever, but it will burst out upon this wicked world and the blood of all God's saints will be avenged and that question shall no longer be asked.

Meanwhile God and ZION are asking every man and woman, youth and maiden,

How long before you yield to God and get into ZION?

How long before you get ready for the inevitable?

How long will you put it off?

Now is the accepted time!—Now is the day of salvation! "Acquaint now thyself with God and be at peace."

Start today and get into ZION. The ZION of prophecy, which has been foretold by all of God's holy Prophets, is the outcome of a long line of prophetic utterances, being mentioned over one hundred and fifty times in the Word of God. When we remember that in the New Testament ZION is referred to chiefly as THE KINGDOM OF GOD, we find that it is the central theme of the Bible. For Jesus said, "Seek ye first THE KINGDOM OF GOD." The closing up of the Millennium sees Jesus the Christ as King on Mount ZION, who will then have put down all rule and all authority, handing THE KINGDOM over to God the Father.

My brother, my sister, you cannot afford to delay. ZION is now the hope of God's people. The place of refuge from the international calamity and disaster, which God's Word foretells in a hundred different places from the very cradle of the world. Now God has brought ZION into being and she is going forward to prepare for the coming of the King.

For the King is surely coming, the hour is drawing nigh, and the bright and glorious morning will soon appear, but upon the heart of every true child of God is the question,

"O Lord Jesus! how long? how long, ere we shout the glad song, Christ returneth; Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen."

Leaves of Healing Getting Better and Better.

GREENFIELD, INDIANA,
May, 30, 1916.

APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear Apostle:

"Peace to Thee!"

A few weeks ago, I wrote to you, asking you to pray for my healing of LaGrippe. I began to grow better as soon as I had sent the letter and I am now about in my usual health.

I pray for all connected with Publication of LEAVES OF HEALING. They get better and better and I don't know how I could live without them.

I am looking forward to the coming Feast with great joy and I pray that it may be the very best of all.

ZION is the only place for God's children to-day, as conditions are growing worse outside.

Yours in the Master's Service,

(Signed) MRS. MARY F. BOHN.

The Sacrificial Offering

TO BE TAKEN AT

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

Lord's Day, July 16, 1916

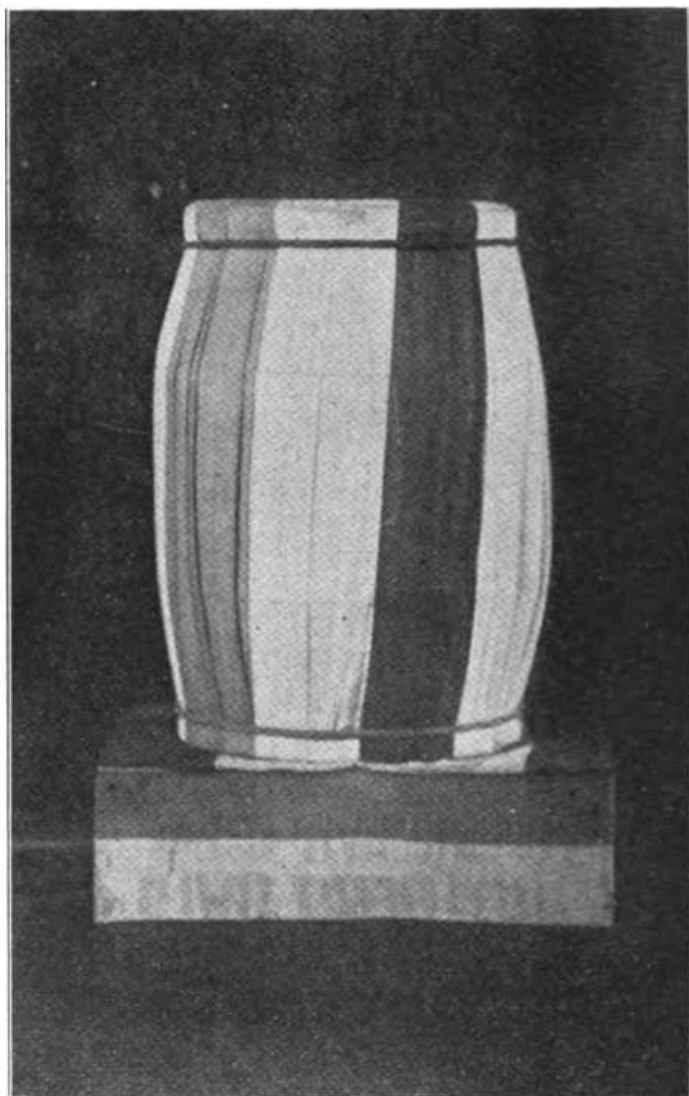
Two Sacrificial Offerings

are taken each year—one on the second Lord's Day afternoon of the Feast of Tabernacles, and the other at the All-Night Meeting.

A Sacrificial Offering calls for self-denial and self-sacrifice; and, in order that it may be what God expects it to be, all Zion must make the necessary preparation through prayer and consecration and by systematic planning in order to respond to the honor and glory of God.

A glorious scene that cannot be duplicated anywhere else in the world is that of thousands of earnest, godly people marching in regular order around the barrel, and depositing their offerings.

God has wrought great things in Zion! and He is ready to do greater things as—Zion people become a truly consecrated people.



Picture of Barrel Used to Receive the Sacrificial Offerings

THIS SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

should be, by far, the largest yet taken.

Zion's Work has many needs, and all officers, members, and friends should have a part in supplying these needs.

Earnest prayer, self-denial, self-sacrifice and true co-operation on the part of all, will mean great things for Zion, in the spreading of Literature broadcast, and in extending many other departments of the work.

As a people we should more and more claim God's promises; step out on His Word, and not be afraid to trust Him for spirit, soul and body.

Many workers have been placed in the Field, and in order to keep these workers in the field and send out other workers, ALL officers and members of the Church MUST BE FAITHFUL in TITHING and in giving their offerings as God prospers them.

The SUCCESS of Zion's Work depends upon YOU.

THE END OF THE AGE

Report of the Service, Held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, December 26, 1915, Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

Reported by E. I. Carey

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and, in Jesus' Name, in the Holy Spirit's power, and in accordance with Thy will, be sanctified unto the good of this congregation, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

There is no such an expression in the Bible, strictly speaking, as "The end of the world," but I have used it because it is often employed. The exact expression of the Bible is, "The end of the age."

When Jesus said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world"—the translation in the King James version—it meant, literally, "to the consummation of the age."

What is commonly referred to as "the end of the world" is generally misunderstood. It is not taught in the Bible that this earth is to be destroyed: it is to be CHANGED.

The History of the World Divided into Different Ages

We are told that the elements shall melt with fervent heat, and that ungodly men shall be destroyed, and their works burnt up; but that there shall be a new heaven and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

The history of this earth, as it pertains to the inhabitants thereof, is divided into so many different ages.

From the time of Adam to the time of the flood, we have what is called the Antediluvian Age; then we have the Jewish Age, which lasted until the year 70 A. D. From that time down to the present time, we have what is called the Gospel Age.

The Antediluvian Age came to an end with the flood; the Jewish Age came to an end with the destruction of Jerusalem by the Roman army under Titus, in the year 70 A. D. The Gospel Age is to come to an end and be no more, and it is to be succeeded by an Age which will last for a thousand years, known as the Millennium.

One of the noticeable things about the closing of these ages, is that each one has had a period known as "The time of the end."

"The time of the end" of the Antediluvian Age, which age lasted from the time of Adam to the time of Noah, was one hundred and twenty years. It was one hundred and twenty years from the time that God told Noah that all flesh should be destroyed, until the flood.

When the Jewish Age closed, the "time of the end" was seventy years.

The Gospel Age also has a period known as "the time of the end;" and I believe that it is possible, from the plain prophecies of the Word of God, to determine the length of the period—"the time of the end" of the Gospel Age. That is all that the Bible teaches that the saints will know. They will not know the day nor the hour when the Lord is coming, but they *will* know the period; they will know enough to enable them to make the necessary preparation in order to be ready when He comes.

That period is probably at least seventy-five years.

It is also possible, by the study of prophecy, to tell approximately the time that this period began; and in passing I will call your attention to this fact—and a very remarkable fact—that all the foremost writers on this period—"the time of the end" of the Gospel Age—have placed it around about the same time. While they start from different points in their study of prophecy, they all come out at about the same place, which is a remarkable thing.

The close of this period is to be all the way from the year 1914 down to 1925. There may be one or two writers who put

it at a little later time, but nine-tenths of those who have studied and written on this subject say that after 1925 or 1927 there will be no place left for any unfulfilled prophecy, prior to the close of this Age and the appearance of Jesus the Christ.

The Building-up of Zion, the Fulfillment of Latter-day Prophecy

I do not intend, this afternoon, to attempt—because the time is too short—to point out any particular prophecy that will fix approximately the time in this period of the end in which we are now living, but in a later address I will endeavor to do so. It will suffice if I say that enough is transpiring on this earth today to make all people open their eyes and look, and do some very serious thinking.

The present world-wide war is enough, in itself, to keep the Bible student busy and wondering what next will transpire that will enable him to fix the precise period in which we are living.

The return of the Jews to Palestine, the floating of the Turkish flag over that land, the contest by the Allies for Constantinople, the threatened invasion of Egypt, the alleged promise of the Kaiser to create a Papal state out of Palestine, are all intensely interesting to the Bible student.

One thing of which they all lose sight, strange to say, is this: that the last wonderful sign and the most important prophecy to be fulfilled is THE BUILDING UP OF ZION.

The Lord cannot, and will not, come until He has a people to whom He can come; and the people to whom He will come, according to prophecy, is ZION.

The message that ZION delivers, the stand that ZION takes, is no accident. If it were not ZION, and if I did not stand here as the leader in ZION, I could preach, perhaps, like any other preacher; but standing where I do, I cannot. It is an impossibility.

I have a message to deliver which is precise, which is full, and which is unpleasant to the flesh—both to the man who has to deliver it, and to the people who have to hear it.

The prophecy says:

When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory.—Psalm 102:16.

ZION has not yet been built up. There is no use in saying it has, because it has not.

John Alex. Dowie's Ministry One of Prophetic Import

The ministry of John Alexander Dowie—known throughout the world, and admitted by all men, and by newspapers and magazines, to be a prophet—some say a true prophet; some say a false prophet, but a prophet, nevertheless—his ministry was unique in its time. He stirred the world! He made the rulers of Europe tremble on their thrones.

His ministry was unique in every particular, but it was not to the world's liking and not to the churches' liking.

Why, if my ministry suited the churches, I would consider that I was a fake and a fraud, right on the face of it.

The man whose ministry suits these churches is not a prophet of God.

John the Baptist was the forerunner of Christ, and he came in the spirit and power of Elijah—which means a whirlwind ministry. His head was cut off because of what he said:

If a man can be a prophet of God and have gifts by the carload bestowed upon him, then I do not understand the ministry of my Lord, nor the ministry of the prophets and apostles.

The ministry of John Alexander Dowie was the greatest fact of the nineteenth century; and, I will tell you this much, it was a

ministry that they have never forgotten; and they cannot let it alone.

I mention this because, in the next few years, the ministry of John Alexander Dowie will loom larger than ever before—even larger than when he was at the zenith of his power in the city of Chicago, you mark what I say.

It was either genuine or false; it was wonderful, either way you look at it.

The movement which was born, and which was called ZION, is either the ZION of God and the ZION of prophecy, or it is not. That is for every one to settle for himself. Just as you have to settle for yourself whether Jesus of Nazareth was the Christ or not, so you have to settle for yourself whether ZION is of God or not. So far as I am personally concerned, it is neither here nor there.

I believe IT IS the ZION of prophecy!

I believe it has the earmarks; and, I will tell you, one of the earmarks is its unpopularity. Another earmark is that when men and women listen to the ZION message, and receive it, believe it, and act upon it, they get what God Almighty has promised in His Word. They get something that is worth having.

Why, there is just as much difference between ZION and these modern so-called revivals, led by "Billy" Sunday, Wilbur Chapman and others, as there is between milk and water.

Zion is Something that Makes People Think!

Outside of ZION, men and women go forward and *shake hands with the preacher*. There is nothing to do, and they do not get anything, either. There is nothing genuine about it.

In ZION, people do not come today and go to the devil tomorrow.

There is something to it!

The churches hate it!

Somebody subscribed for the LEAVES OF HEALING for Bishop Cheney of Christ's Church here on Michigan Avenue, and the Publishing House received a letter requesting them to send no more. If there is anybody in Chicago who needs LEAVES OF HEALING, it is Mr. Cheney, for he knows about as little about the Word of God as anybody there is in the state of Illinois; but he does not want the truth. He does not want it!

These preachers do not want LEAVES OF HEALING, and they do not want ZION—and that is another very good sign, because ZION and the preachers and the churches can have no fellowship. If they did, this would not be ZION.

Now, I will show you one of the unmistakable signs of the end.

What is the Bible picture drawn of the churches just prior to the Second Coming of Christ?

Is it that of a world-wide revival?

One time in Melbourne I came down Collins Street, and I saw a banner stretched from the Town Hall across to the other side of the street—"Melbourne for Christ;" and hell itself is not any more rotten than Melbourne. But Melbourne is no worse than Chicago, or any of the rest of these cities. They are all as rotten as hell.

"Melbourne for Christ!"

A world-wide revival!

Does the Bible teach that any such thing will happen prior to the Second Coming of Christ?

Let us read a description of the churches, and see if it is not a detailed description of these churches in Chicago, and of the ministers, too.

I do not propose to spare them!

I intend to tan their jackets, and they deserve it! They are sending the people to hell in this city by the thousands.

The Laodicean Church Typical of the Apostate Churches of Today

Here is the description. These seven churches represent the church down to the close of the Gospel Age, the Church of the Laodiceans being the last one.

Unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write: These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of My mouth.

Because thou sayest, I am rich—

Is not that what they say?

There are about forty-six papers which come to my office,

among them several Methodist papers; and what do they say?—"We raised so much money last year to build churches; we raised so much money for this, and we raised so much money for that." When the statistics come out, they have one-third of a convert for each church in the whole denomination—and my opinion is that that was his leg!

They brag about their money—"How much money we have; how many colleges we have built." They do not say anything about whether they have any religion or not, or any piety; it is all about how *rich* they are!

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing:—

That is true, as far as money is concerned!

And knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.—Revelation 3:14-17.

There is the description of them today!

They have no witnessing power; no strong, vigorous condemnation of sin! But they have plenty of money!

They are "NEITHER COLD NOR HOT," but "LUKEWARM."

I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see.

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.—Revelation 3:18-20.

He is done with the organizations, absolutely!

There is not a bishop, so some say, in the Methodist Church who is not a Freemason. A few years ago I know there was not. Whether they have elected one since who is not, I do not know.

They are in league with Baal!

Baal worshippers!—and they have not the sense to see it!

Dr. Dowie told them enough during one of their General Conferences to educate them, but to no avail. They have kept right on.

Well, God has finished with the organizations!

He is ready, if any man will open the door of his heart, to come into him; but as far as the organizations are concerned, he is done with them.

If the Lord were to come any time during this week, He would find these church members—thousands of them—dancing, playing cards, at the theater, at the moving picture shows, and in a good many other places.

Dr. Buckley said that if the discipline in the Methodist Church were enforced, it would cut the membership in two; it would reduce the church to bankruptcy, and send the bishops out to starve. That is what he said in New York, and it was printed in the Methodist paper.

He spoke the truth when he said it!

No Vigorous Protest Against Sin Given by the Apostasy

Now, let us have a few other descriptions of the church in the last days.

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears.—II. Timothy 4:3.

That is, the people, having itching ears, will have their own teachers, and will make them teach something that suits their fancy; and that is what they are doing!

Where are your strong, vigorous sermons against the dance-hall in Chicago?

Where is your discipline?

There is none!

In a certain city, I delivered a series of sermons, which were printed, in part, in the daily paper. I peeled the hides of all the preachers in that place, and I was a mere boy compared with them. The day came, however, when the pastor of the Presbyterian Church, which had nine hundred members, came to me and threw his arms around my neck. He was old enough to be my father. He said, "Mr. Voliva, you are on the right track. Out of my nine hundred members, there are over seven hundred who are euchre players and theater-goers; and what am I to do?"

I said, "I'll tell you what I would do—I would convert them, or I would break their necks;" and so I would.

He was hired to preach for three thousand dollars a year, and he did not dare to call his soul his own.

How can these men preach when the people call them, and

agree to pay them a salary? They have to do what the people tell them—just the same as I make a lawyer do what I tell him when I agree to pay him one thousand dollars for a case. I make him do what I wish, and I have a right to!

Now, notice:

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His Kingdom;

PREACH THE WORD—II. Timothy 4:1, 2.

The Apostate Churches Demand Ear-ticklers as Preachers

It does not say, "Deliver an oration or an essay; deliver a theological treatise or a scientific dissertation."

I stood in the midst of a number of graduates of a theological seminary, and I heard one man say, "Well, I am going to preach for so and so."

Another one said, "Well, I haven't accepted any place; if I cannot get twelve hundred dollars a year, I'll quit and go at something else." That was the trend of their conversation.

They had a fine (?) conception of the ministry!

What do the people want?

They want ear-ticklers, and they are willing to pay so much per tickle!

That is all the rank and file of the preachers are today—ear-ticklers, charging so much per tickle.

They have a library, and they sit there and write. They pride themselves on their knowledge of Shakespeare, and they quote from him.

After preaching for six years in one pulpit, Rev. ———, the greatest Shakespearean scholar in the state of Ohio, hung his head and said, "I have not had a convert in the six years."

You do not get converts by preaching Shakespeare: you get converts by preaching the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, which demands REPENTANCE, which demands CONFESSION, which demands RESTITUTION, which demands that you follow the principles and the laws of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—self-denial, self-sacrifice, and a great many other things that are not very pleasant to the flesh.

After one of the last sermons I ever preached in an apostate church, a man got up and said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I move that that desk be dressed in sackcloth and ashes for sixty days, after such a sermon as we have had here this morning."

I waited until he was through, and then I peeled his hide and put salt and pepper on him, don't you forget it!

What was the matter?

He was an officer in that church, and he had bought nickel-plated watches and sold them to widows and servant girls for a handsome price.

I told him that if he did not repent and restore that money he would go to hell. It was not pleasant for him to hear, because he thought he was a Christian, you know; and he was almost growing wings.

That is what they do not like!

I have delivered sermons which were called fine specimens of oratory. I delivered one down near Boston years ago at an annual convention, and I reached what they call the peroration—that is, the closing part of the oration, where you soar to lofty flights of oratory. When I had finished, a gentleman came and took me by the hand. "You almost took me to Heaven tonight," he said. Then he went home the next day and beat his wife.

I'll guarantee that if he heard me now, he would decide that I was taking him to some other place beside Heaven!

I would take him where he ought to go!

Now, we are living in the times described in the Third Chapter of Revelation.

The People Simply Will Not have the Truth!

The people do not like me, they do not want me, and they will not have me at any price.

Why?

Because I give them THE BOOK right straight from the shoulder, and tell them what they have to do.

Is that what you want?

It is what you *need*, whether you *want* it or not!

Ear-ticklers!

That is a description of the ministers of the present day.

There is not one of these so-called evangelists who is not sim-

ply a dishonest grabber of the coin. You may not believe it, but it is true, whether you believe it or not.

If I could come to Chicago known as anybody else but Wilbur Glenn Voliva, and if it were not known that I ever was connected with ZION, I could work the tricks of a modern evangelist to perfection, and rake in the shekels at the rate of one hundred thousand dollars a year.

I know the tricks better than "Billy" Sunday, any day; in fact, I knew them before "Billy" ever learned them.

It is just like a sleight of hand performance!

All you have to do to be a great evangelist and rake in the shekels is, to have a certain personality, be a good organizer, and a good platform monkey. That is all! You must know how to cut monkey-shines, and make them laugh when you want to, or make them cry; and you must be careful not to preach the Gospel and hurt anybody's feelings. That is all you have to do.

You cannot have any conscience.

There is not one of them who would preach the Gospel—they know better. They do not dare to preach it, and they are mighty careful not to do so.

Let us have another picture here. Now, listen to this! Right here is where we are living this afternoon.

Multitudes Exchanging the Word of God for Satanic Delusions

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith,—

Where do the Christian Scientists come from?

They come from the Methodists!

They come from the Baptists!

They come from the Presbyterians and the Congregationalists, and so on!

Where do Spiritualists come from?

Where do Theosophists come from?

They are the three greatest delusions of the present day, and all of them were founded by women.

Whenever a woman gets out of her place, she does something devilish!

When I deliver my series of addresses on Christian Science, I will show you, by the Bible, that the only proof that is needed that Christian Science is of the devil, is that a woman founded it.

That makes some of the women look very mad. Some of them get up and go out. I have heard of some who have said, "He will never get a cent of my money!"

Keep your money! I do not want it!

I am not going to tone down my words, I do not care how much money you offer me.

You should keep in your proper place, which is as a wife and mother in a home. That is where you belong, and that is where God Almighty intended you to be.

He intended for every woman to be married—and they all would be if they had a chance!

That is God's order!

That is God's law!

When women undertake to usurp a man's place, then hell is to pay; and that is one of the troubles in this world today.

Old Mrs. Eddy founded Christian Science—she stole it from old "Doc" Quimby.

The Fox sisters cracked their toes and founded Spiritualism.

Old Madam Blavatsky founded Theosophy—and there you have it. A nice kettle of fish, is it not?

Every one of these systems has certain characteristics, and what are some of them?

THEY DENY THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST!

THEY DENY THE EXISTENCE OF THE DEVIL!

THEY DENY THAT THERE IS ANY SUCH PLACE AS HELL!

They all have certain earmarks.

The Word of God Teaches the Existence of a Literal Hell

Some people say, "Do you believe in hell?"

With all my heart! Why, certainly I believe in hell.

I believe in God—and I believe in the devil. There is just as much a personal devil as there is a Personal God; and there is just as much a hell as there is a Heaven.

You must not think that God is too good to allow you to go to hell, any more than that the right kind of a father is too

good to chastise his boy when he needs it. The only difference is, that when it comes to hell, you will mete out your own punishment; you will make your own hell—although I believe that hell is a locality.

I believe hell is underneath this earth, and I believe that you go to it on a greased plank!

I believe that when the time comes for your damned spirit to go to hell, there are a million demons around you waiting to grab it—and into hell you go, quicker than greased lightning.

You will find your kind there. I believe that hell has one place with a great reservoir full of tobacco juice; and I believe that all tobacco-chewers are put into it right up to their necks, and made to stand there!

I believe that these beer and whisky guzzlers are put into a reservoir of beer and whisky and made to stand there, year in and year out.

I believe that all these women who chew gum are put in a place where they have to work their jaws throughout eternity, without ever resting them.

That is my conception of hell!

I believe all newspaper men go there, without any exception! (Laughter.)

I don't know so much about the lawyers—I'm not so sure whether the devil would have them or not.

It was said one time that the devil came up to this earth and sat in a court-room. He went back to hell and issued strict instructions that they were never to let a lawyer in. When he was asked why, he said he was afraid they would euchre him out of his kingdom.

Now, then, notice!

In the latter times, they will depart from the faith.

Why, sure!

Christian Science Denies the Existence of Sin

I see some Christian Scientists sitting back there. Oh, I would love to save you, you poor fools. That is all you are! I do not like to say it, but I am going to speak the truth.

You say there is no such thing as sin, do you not?

You say there is no devil and no hell, and that all is good, do you not?

It is nothing but a pack of lies!

You are listening to the doctrines of devils.

"Some shall depart from the faith"—yes, the faith as Martin Luther preached it, as John Wesley preached it, and as others who have been apostles and prophets of God have preached it.

Oh, it is very comforting to the dirty, low-down scoundrel sitting there—who is a liar, a thief, and a murderer; who is living in adultery, and who is full of disease, morally and physically—to have some one come along and say, "Why, brother, there is no such thing as sin!"

"Oh, I thought I was a sinner, but there is no such thing. Hallelujah! Isn't that fine?"

He finds out that he is "perfect, always was perfect, and ever will be perfect."

Now, who else but the devil could be the author of such stuff?

Think of telling such a wretch, "There is no sin: it is all mortal mind." Then again Mrs. Eddy says there is no such thing as mortal mind.

"I thought I was a murderer, but I'm not. There is no such thing as murder. I didn't murder anybody. I thought I did, but he didn't exist. I struck at him, and hit 'nothing.'"

You wait until I get ready here in a few weeks, and I will give Christian Science something hot.

O Lord, protect my mind while I am examining that rot!

I have a shelf of their books in my library. The thieves—they make seven hundred per cent. profit on them!

Ah, what is the faith?

You are a sinner, you wretched man!

God loves you!

Jesus died for you!

Your only hope is in the Blood!

Repent of your sins! Forsake them!

Throw yourself on the Merciful, on the Ever-loving God!

That is the Word of God—and it is not popular.

I say that no Christian Scientist can go to Heaven

"Oh," they say, "isn't that terrible! Why, my father is a lovely man."

Yes, these Christian Scientists come around me, and they are so sweet (?) and lovely (?) and beautiful (?) you know! Why, they can eat a cockle-bur and say, "Oh, delicious strawberry!"

They can sit in a hog wallow and say, "Oh, how sweet and beautiful! What lovely surroundings!"

They can sit on a pin for an hour and say, "A beautiful experience!" (Laughter.)

The liars!

ZION is set for the defence of the truth and faith once delivered to the saints!

I have nothing but love for you Christian Scientists; but when you say that Jesus was not the Christ, YOU ARE ANTI-CHRIST, and the Bible declares that YOU ARE LIARS!

Do you hear that?

—Giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.

Chicago is REEKING with them!

Now, you know, so far as I am concerned, I do not care the snap of my finger what anybody says. What do I care what they say?

I will prove whether you are right or not by—"THUS SAITH THE LORD."

Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

Forbidding to marry—

Does Christian Science do that?

If you say it does not, that shows you are an ignoramus! It *does* forbid to marry, in language as plain as "ABC;" and it also teaches that it is not necessary to have marriage in order to bear children.

—Commanding to abstain from food, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them who believe and know the truth.—I. Timothy 4:1-3.

There you are!

The Ministry Called of God to Witness Against Iniquity

Then in the Sixth Verse Paul says to Timothy:

If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

I said in the beginning, and I say it now: This is a very peculiar time. Why, these are the queerest times in the history of the world.

Bless your life, what a spirit of tolerance there is everywhere! Everybody is lovely, and everything is all right.

You are a spiritualist—well that is all right; you are a Christian Scientist—that is all right; somebody else is this or that—why, it is all right.

Everything is all right!

I receive all sorts of letters from Chicago, saying: "What do you want to mention Russellism for?"—"What do you want to mention Christian Science for?"—"Why don't you preach the Gospel?"

Why, preaching the Gospel is witnessing against iniquity and false doctrines! That is preaching the Gospel, is it not?

Preaching the Gospel, according to their theory, is:

"The curtain of night slowly fell, shutting out the light. But soon there were to be seen, shooting across the eastern sky, brilliant rays of shimmering green." (Laughter.)

When they are given about a mile of that, that is what they call "preaching the Gospel," and they say, "Oh, wasn't that lovely?"

"His arched brow speaks more than yon arched sky. On his lips there is music beyond that of wind or wave. His eye shines out brighter than the stars.—In apprehension, like a god; in reason, like an angel." (Laughter.)

Preaching the Gospel!

"Oh, wasn't that wonderful?"

"Why, husband, you ought to have been there. We had the greatest sermon I have ever heard."

"Well, what did he say?"

"Oh, I don't know what he said, but it was just grand."

"What was his text?"

"Well, I don't know what his text was, but it was *so* beautiful—the prettiest language; and he pictured the sky—"

That is what they call preaching the Gospel—quoting poetry! Some Sunday afternoon here I will give you a lot of it,—if you can stand it!

Robert G. Ingersoll was easily the greatest and the most brilliant orator of his time, there is no question about it.

Oratory simply means giving the people curled-paper shavings and soap bubbles.

I could make a fortune by it if I wanted to lay aside my conscience.

That is what they call preaching the Gospel!

Examples of what Preaching the Gospel Means

Preaching the Gospel is: "REPENT YE, FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND!"

When I said to that man, "Go and separate from that woman, and quit living in adultery," was I preaching the Gospel? Yes!

When I say to the thief, "Go and confess your sins, and pay back what you stole," am I preaching the Gospel? Yes!

When I say, "You dirty stinkpot! You may call yourself a Christian, but you stink worse than the devil," am I preaching the Gospel? Yes!

Ask these men who used to be cigarette fiends and drunkards, but who now are clean, whether that is preaching the Gospel or not.

It *IS* preaching the Gospel, and there are hundreds of them in ZION who can testify to it.

THE GOSPEL is what Chicago needs, and that is what it will take to stir Chicago. Another thing: the only way you can be a fighter is to lay aside every weight and every sin, and not only fight one iniquity, but FIGHT THEM ALL. Some will join hands to fight booze, but they will not help to fight anything else.

Look at your four hundred thousand drug fiends in Chicago—the victims of morphine, cocaine, laudanum, and so on.

Hundreds of doctors carry the little hypodermic needle, and, unknown to their wives, sons and daughters, inject the poison into their arm; and at last it takes their lives, as has been the case with three or four men here in the last week.

A Christian ought to fight every sin in the catalog—but, no, sir! so far as the churches are concerned, they have given that up. "We must have a W. C. T. U."

Now, why?

Why?

Is not the Church of the Living God, against which the gates of hell shall not prevail, enough?

Who are you and who am I to presume to start organizations?

When God Almighty sent His Son into this world, Who said, "Upon this rock I will establish My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," why not let the church—God Almighty's organization—fight these battles? But no, it is W. C. T. U!

It is Y. M. C. A!

It is Y. W. C. A!

It is Y. P. S. C. E!

It is Epworth League!

It is Baptist Union!

It is D. U. O. D. C!

It is H. A. I. L. O. R. Q. T!

All of them with a president, and a secretary, and a treasurer, and a building, and so on, until the world is full of these man-made organizations.

Why, you do not pretend for a minute that God Almighty founded them, do you?

You do not put God Almighty down for a fool, do you? No!

I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, God sent Jesus the Christ into this world, preceded by John the Baptist, who was Elijah in spirit, and they both struck the keynote of REPENTANCE.

The Apostasy Chooses Man-made Organizations to Replace the Apostolic Church

Jesus Christ established His Church, and He chose twelve apostles; and it was God's plan that that Church should continue on down through the ages.

They apostatized, and there came a time when the church was no longer apostolic; and then men created organizations by the hundreds.

There are twenty-nine kinds of Methodists. Do you mean to tell me that God is the Author of them?

No!

There are twelve kinds of Presbyterians—two of them down East in New Jersey being known as the "One Liners" and the "Two Liners." They had a break-up over the question as to whether the minister should read one line of the hymn, or two lines.

What an important question!

There are many kinds of Baptists and four kinds of Dunkards. Then we have the Quakers and we have the "Rakers" and we have the "Shakers," and hundreds of others; and all these organizations say, "God founded us."

It is a lie!

If you can show me positively that a man founded ZION, I will say, "Goodbye! I do not care to have anything to do with a human organization." But if John Alexander Dowie was sent of God, in these last days, to ring out, clear and strong, the full Gospel of Repentance, Confession, Restitution, and Salvation for spirit, soul, and body, and if God founded ZION, all right! If He did not, I say, "Lord, let her perish from the face of the earth; and show me, Lord, Thy organization—the one which Thou hast founded, based upon Jesus Christ."

I have no time for any human organizations, none whatever.

I will tell you, so far as these organizations that are called "churches" are concerned, they are no more of Divine origin than the Democratic party.

That will hurt somebody's feelings, I suppose!

None of you claim that the Democratic party is of Divine origin, do you? If it were, it would have made a better record in the last three years than it has.

No Fad-Nonsense Tolerated in Zion

God's organization—ZION!

ZION!

The doctrine of devils!

"You must not eat any meat," says one.

That is a doctrine of the devil—that is all there is to it! You have a perfect right to refrain from eating meat, and you can be a Christian; but when you say that a man who eats meat is not a Christian, you are teaching the doctrine of devils.

The Lord Jesus Christ ate meat!

He ate broiled fish, and He ate the lamb at the Passover.

The doctrine of devils!

There are vegetarians in this city who are teaching the doctrine of devils, that is what they are doing.

I thank God that there is no such nonsense in ZION.

I want what the Bible teaches, and I do not want anything else!

If you women want to wear a certain kind of a hat, and look as ugly as the devil before daylight, or if you want to wear an old poke bonnet, it is your privilege, and you can be a Christian woman. But I want to tell you, some of these Salvation Army women are prouder over their old poke bonnets than other women are over a fifteen-dollar hat.

Pride is in the heart, you know!

Some men who wear patched clothes are very proud.

Pride is in the heart!

There is liberty, under the Gospel, in these matters.

Now, then, when a thing is wrong, there is no use in discussing it.

Some things are wrong *per se*.

A "seven-up" deck of cards is wrong *per se*—it is wrong in itself, apart from the fact that they make wrong out of it.

Baseball is not a wrong *per se*. Many baseball games, however, are just as bad as horse-races, when it comes to gambling and betting. You know that just as well as I do; and they are no places for Christian men and women.

The reason so many county fairs, which were started to exhibit products of the land and manufactured articles, have been destroyed, is because, the first thing you know, they have a race-track, and they commence gambling and betting—then away goes your county fair.

Now, an agricultural exhibit is a magnificent thing. It is a fine thing for any county or any city to exhibit the products of the

land, the manufactured articles, and so on; but when it comes to a betting business, why, it is a horrible thing.

The Christian to be Kept Unspotted from the World

You people here do not know much about betting. You ought to live in Australia for six months, where the preachers, choir conductors, deacons, and everybody else, bet. Why, they have the betting habit so badly there that this story is told: A couple of men were sitting in an office, and one of them saw a flea running across the table; and he bet the other fellow fifty pounds that the flea would get to the other side in three seconds.

Why, they bet over the telephone. Everybody bets. Preachers bet on the horse-races—the people are betting crazy.

Betting is of the devil!

No one with any conception of the Christian religion would stand up for betting for a second, or for anything else that is wrong.

Dancing is wrong *per se*!

You do not see a lot of men holding a dance together, do you? No; you would not keep your dance-halls open for one night if you just had men dancing—and why?

A dance-room is the gateway to hell!

No Christian wants things of that kind. They have lost that appetite and desire, and they want to live clean, pure lives.

The way to live a clean, pure life is not to hug some other man's wife, is it? That would be like a man who is trying to give up drink, stopping at the saloon for a drink of water.

A dance-hall is iniquitous, *per se*. There is nothing good about it.

The same thing is true of theaters. I have attended only one theater in my life, and that was in my college days. I would expect to go to hell straight if I were a patron of theaters.

Everything about a theater is damnable, and calculated to send men to hell.

How cute the devil is!

"We will put on Hall Caine's 'The Christian'"—and then the preacher announces:

"I wish to announce to my parishioners that, at the Washington Street theater, Hall Caine's remarkable production—'The Christian'—will be given. I would advise you to go and see it." Then the devil gets behind a corner, and he giggles and laughs, and says, "I've got them this time!"

Then they go to see Hall Caine's "The Christian," or "The Sign of the Cross," played by a lot of old derelicts of women, who look worse than the devil.

Moving Picture Shows are Annexes of Hell

A moving picture machine is not an iniquitous thing *per se*. Good can be obtained from a moving picture machine, but you do not get it by going into these infernal hell-holes in these cities.

You people who have been to see "The Birth of the Nation"—what you need is to get down on your knees before God Almighty and get the New Birth. Think of going to see something which the censors have ruled out of several cities, and which they tried to rule out of Chicago—a thing which children are not permitted to go and see!

"WHAT SEEK YE?"

That is the question!

I'll tell you another thing, ladies and gentlemen, you do not have to go and hear the devil sing "The Messiah," either.

I do not propose to go and listen to "The Messiah" when the soloists go out and drink while the others are taking their parts! I do not propose to listen to that kind of thing! I have to know that they are saved men and women, before I will go to hear them.

I do not have to go to hell for music—and I do not propose to. I can sit down in a room and sing to myself, and it will do me a lot more good than listening to tools of the devil.

A Christian to Set a High Standard

I tell you, my friends, you should set a high standard.

Would you like to be found in a dance-hall when Gabriel's trumpet sounds?

Would you?

When Gabriel's trumpet sounds, would you like to be found sitting in a moving picture show watching pictures that have been ruled out of certain cities?

Would you like to be in a theater looking at a lot of painted harlots?

Would you?

No!

Do you know what is the trouble with the people?

They never have been converted!

You might tell me on the top of a stack of Bibles fifty feet high that they were converted, and I would not believe you!

I can stand here today and say (and so can some of you) that I never have the temptation to go to a dance—and I would be ashamed of myself if I did have! I would be ashamed of myself if there were anything in me which the devil could get hold of to tempt me to go to a dance.

I never have the temptation to go to a moving picture show. I would be ashamed if I did have.

I never have the temptation to go to a theater. I settled that when I was eighteen years old, when I went to one. I have never been to one since, and I never intend to, either.

If I wanted to go straight to the devil, I would patronize theaters!

Look at the subjects of the plays they give! They are damnable—all suggested by the devil, and full of dirt and muck.

I will tell you what a Christian wants: he wants a prayer meeting, where he can look into the face of Jesus! Where he can see God and commune with Him!

Isn't that what he wants?

That is not what some of you want, is it?

You want to see "The Birth of the Nation," do you not? Well, if you are in ZION you will go over the back garden gate, and you will not get in again, either.

In ZION, there is some discipline.

You can have everything that is right and beautiful and pure and good; but you cannot have these worldly things and be a member of ZION. Do you understand that?

Is not that right?

Is not that what the church is for?

Of what account is a church that has no Divine authority and discipline in it?

None whatever!

The Word of God Sets Forth the Way of Obedience and Blessing

I know my Bible. I know a little about it. I cannot remember the day when I did not read it; and it tells me that all have sinned—that includes me; and it tells me that unless a man is born from above, he cannot see THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Then I know there is no use for me to try to see it until I have the New Birth.

It tells me that I have to die before I can live.

It tells me that if I love the ways or the things of the world, there is none of the love of God in me.

It tells me that "friendship with the world is enmity with God."

It tells me what the works of the flesh are, and what the Fruit of the Spirit is.

I know that if I were longing for a glass of whisky this afternoon, it would be evidence that I was not sanctified to any great extent.

If I were longing for things with which to satisfy the flesh, I would know that I had not gotten very far in the Christian life.

I love to come to Chicago!

I love to pray for ZION in Australia, ZION in China, ZION in South Africa, ZION in New Zealand, and for ZION all over the world!

I love to see faithful ones in many parts of the world who are standing like rocks for God and for ZION!

I love to work on LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT, and to come down here on Tuesdays, when I preach for hours and pray with the sick!

I love to study my Bible, by day and by night!

I love the prayer meeting!

I am imperfect, but I am going on.

What are you thinking about?

Where do you want to go?

The Christian, Though Imperfect, Strives Toward the Goal

Why, I look forward to the meeting on Wednesday night with a joy that is indescribable—and why? Because we will sing, and we will pray, and we will read the Precious Word of God,

and we will tell God all about our struggles, and we will talk to Him as a child talks to his father—to his mother; and God will reach down and bless us.

That is what a Christian thing about!

That is the Christian life!

That is ZION!

That is what we stand for!

We are all flesh and blood—imperfect; some struggle, some fall—but we put our arms beneath them and lift them up, and help them back to God.

The worst thing is not sinning: it is a worse thing to sin and refuse to acknowledge it and repent.

Are you trying to do right?

Are you trying to live a Christian life?

Is the general trend of your life toward God?

There are many other selections of Scripture that I wanted to read, but I do not want to keep you much longer.

The signs are on every hand!

Suppose—I will not say that it does—but suppose that the assassination of the two persons which precipitated this terrible war should prove to be the beginning of the "time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation"?

English writers, the most prominent men in Germany, and in other lands say: "May God call a halt, or civilization itself will be in the balance!"

Suppose it should prove to be "the time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation"?

Suppose it eventuates in the Battle of Armageddon, and suppose the Kaiser is what millions believe he is, although I do not say that he is. My admiration for the Kaiser is for his intellectual power, and for his great organizing ability. He is one of the greatest figures in the world today.

Suppose it should transpire that he has a league with the Pope of Rome, and that, in return for certain concessions from the Pope, he has promised to make a Papal state out of Palestine, and restore the temporal power of Rome, with Jerusalem as the capital?

Why, it would not be any great surprise to me to see the United States brought into this catastrophe, any day.

The whole world is a boiling cauldron—a seething volcano. The elements are converging to a point for the destruction of the present order of things—how soon I do not know.

The Bible teaches that you and I should be ready TODAY, for we know neither the day nor the hour when our Lord shall come.

Are you a wise virgin, my brother, my sister, or are you a foolish virgin?

The Saints to be Spared from Passing through the Tribulation

The saints will not pass through the real time of trouble. The Lord will come, the saints will be transformed, and, together with those who have passed on before, they will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

Now, that is the first phase of the Second Coming of Christ.

Then the Time of Tribulation will involve the whole world, when the present order of things will go out in the midst of terrible, indescribable chaos. Then the Lord, with the saints, will return, and He will reign in Person on a literal throne—just as literal as the one King George sits upon today—and He will reign over this earth for one thousand years.

At that time my program for Chicago will be carried out—there will be no Sunday newspapers then, and no drug stores, and no saloons, and no assignation houses; and there will be no drugs, for Christ will sweep them from the face of the earth by a turn of His hand.

He will rule this earth and renovate it and subdue it.

That is the plain teaching of the Word of God.

Now, then, when He makes His first appearance, one will be taken and another left.

You make fun of your wife for being a Christian, do you not? When that time comes, she will go and you will be left—and you will not know it until after she is gone.

Do you make light of your children for being Christians?—they will be taken, and you will be left!

You laugh at this talk about the Lord coming, and about the end of the world. You know what has transpired in the past, do you not?

God Almighty prophesied that the city of Babylon should be destroyed, and that it would never be rebuilt. He prophesied that

the very site would become the habitation of wild beasts and of serpents.

Appeal to the historian as to whether that prophecy was not literally fulfilled, and whether it does not remain literally fulfilled to this day.

I appeal to you to give your lives to God—to live for God, and to serve Him!

The beginning of it all is a TRUE REPENTANCE. Now, that is not godly sorrow.

As you sit here today and think of your life—and we have all done wrong. While I have never known anything else but to be a Christian, yet I have been a sinner; and when I came into ZION and heard John Alexander Dowie, I had some wrongs to put right. I did not see it before, but I saw it when I heard his sermon on Repentance. I made my wrongs right—and I would have done it if it had cost me my life.

So far as I know, there remains nothing—if God should show me one thing in my life that has not been put right, I would put it right to the utmost extent of my power.

You may think of something you have done for which you are sorry, but that is not *repentance*.

Godly Sorrow Leadeth to Repentance

Repentance involves Confession and Restitution, and you will never know what sweet peace is until you go and make your wrongs right.

Here is a man who has divorced his wife on flimsy grounds. He did not have Bible grounds; but just took a fancy to another woman. He marries her, and they have five or six children.

What is he to do?

Separate!

He is living in adultery, and he will go to hell. If he wants to do what is right, they must separate, and he must go back to her who is his wife.

Do you understand that?

It is a hard thing to do. But it has been done in a number of cases in ZION.

If you do not do it, you will go to hell.

An adulterer cannot go to Heaven!

Jesus the Christ declares that if a man puts away his wife for any other cause than a breach of the marriage vow, he has committed sin. That is all there is to it!

I am going to hew to the line!

When I preached my first sermon in Melbourne, the papers said, "Voliva will starve to death;" and others said, "You will never get any converts in Australia."

Let others tell the story!

There were thirteen hundred won in Australia.

I know what it takes to awaken and arouse the people!

Ladies and gentlemen, you take this matter of the Sunday newspapers and think it over.

How can you, professing to be a follower of Jesus Christ, and professing to be a Sabbath observer and a respecter of God's Holy Day—how can you buy a Sunday newspaper and sit there and read the contents?

I do not understand how a Christian could think of such a thing!

I propose to put up a great fight here, right on that one point.

The Sunday Newspaper Causing the Damnation of Many

When I was in Victoria, Australia, there were no Sunday newspapers. They would put you in jail for printing or for selling a Sunday newspaper.

I don't know how it is today.

They are a curse!

They have damned multitudes of people by their muck and filth.

Now, is that being too strict, or is it right?

That is the question!

IS IT RIGHT?

God bless your hearts, you men who smoke—I love you! I love you intensely.

I ask you, father, sitting back there—you have a couple of dear boys at home, who are the joy of your life—do you want them to smoke pipes? Do you want them to chew tobacco?

Do you?

Well, what kind of an example are you setting those boys? That is the question!

May God help ZION in Chicago to be a blessing to multitudes!

There are just two things that I want said of me when I die—that I went out of this world without one cent, and that I was a blessing to many people.

Those are the two things I want said of me when I leave this world.

Now, ZION, that is what I am working for in Chicago.

Think of a man who has been smoking for twenty, thirty or forty years, now entirely free, and praising God that he came to ZION Tabernacle!

I called him a stinkpot, and God took hold of his heart and took that appetite away.

That is what I like to see!

After all, the man who counts is the man who produces the goods—they can say what they like.

I started in Melbourne, Australia, with fifteen persons, and they said I would never get an audience, and that I would never have a convert, and that I would starve to death.

They were false prophets. God wonderfully owned, blessed and prospered.

I tell you, if you preach the Gospel, you will live by the Gospel!

If you preach the Gospel and do right, God will touch the hearts of men and women. He will take care of the money.

Wonderful Things Wrought of God in Zion

Before I close, I want to remind ZION of the wonderful things God has wrought.

Since March 1, 1911—I want to tell you this, and then I want you to do more than you have ever done before, because I want to see ZION CITY built; I want to see the Institutions have one hundred thousand dollars more capital in the next three months, so that we can give employment to more people, and reach the world with ZION products—since March 1, 1911, on ZION Estate alone, we have paid out over six hundred thousand dollars.

People say, "Where did it come from? How was it done?"
GOD DID IT!

At the All-night Meeting my address will be on the subject of Faith.

Why, talk about wireless telephony and wireless telegraphy, and other great inventions—let me tell you that if we can get a people with faith in God Almighty, we can move heaven and earth, and we can astound the world with the miracles that will be wrought and the things that will be accomplished.

Oh, to know how to pray!

That is my supreme desire—to know how to pray and get an answer.

I want to be backed up by God Almighty!

Zion City to be the Oasis of the World

My brothers and sisters, we can make ZION CITY the oasis of the world!

We can make ZION Institutions and Industries a joy to multitudes!

Then let ZION put their lives, their money, and their time on the altar!

Let ZION concentrate!

Let us not be outdone by the Germans!

The newspapers, the world over, are commenting on the German organization, and what they have done in their resourcefulness. They have astounded the world.

If you are an Englishman, you must be fair enough to admit that, because English writers say the same thing.

Some people accuse me of being pro-German, but there is not a word of truth in it. I am neither pro-German, pro-English, pro-French, nor anything else, but I take my hat off to Germany as the most wonderful organization that this world has ever seen.

Other than as a student of God's Word, I have no interest in this war one way or the other.

Now, why cannot God's people have a more wonderful organization than the Germans have?

Why cannot God's people co-operate and concentrate and organize and work together, and show the world what the Christian religion can do for them?

I say the Christian religion has not failed, and I say that John Alexander Dowie never failed. John Alexander Dowie did a

work second to none in the history of the world, and he did more with the money that came into his hands than was ever done with the same amount before.

He made his mistakes.

He was a pioneer.

He blazed the way.

Let us, like men and women, arise and take our heritage, and profit by the work which he did, and even by his mistakes and errors.

ZION CITY is the only city of its kind on the face of the earth. ZION Institutions, where we endeavor to tell the truth and be honest, open with prayer every morning.

Let Zion be a Synonym for Honesty and for Truthfulness

See to it, my brother, that you do not drag the banner of ZION in the dust.

I am glad to see you, and I have enjoyed looking into your faces.

May God bless you!

Let all stand, please.

BENEDICTION by the GENERAL OVERSEER.

Father, dismiss us with the richest of Thy blessings. Bless this congregation, and bless us all, we pray Thee; for Jesus' sake. Amen.

†THE WINE GLASS†

Who hath Woe? Who
hath Sorrow? Who hath
Contentions? Who
hath Wounds without
Cause? Who hath red-
ness of Eyes? They
that tarry long at the
Wine! They that go to
Seek Mixed Wine.
Look not Thou upon
the Wine when it
is Red, when it
giveth his col-
or in the
CUP,
when
it moveth
itself
aright.
At the
last it
biteth
like a
SERPENT,
AND STINGETH
LIKE AN ADDER
Proverbs xxiii:29-32

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Zion, the Ark of Refuge for God's People

(Continued from page 339)

representatives of the various species of the entire animal kingdom, thus preserving the various types of fowls, and cattle, and creeping thing of the earth after his kind.

The only way to gain life is to lose it in God's work.

The only way to retain possessions is to use them in the establishment of GOD'S KINGDOM.

SELF-SACRIFICE AND LOSS LEAD TO PERMANENT GAIN

"He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

"And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after Me, is not worthy of Me.

"He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it."—Matthew 10:37-39.

"Whosoever will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

"For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for My sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it.

"For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

"Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

"Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of Me and of My Words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed when He cometh in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."—Mark 8:34-38.

In every undertaking for the establishment of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, man must be the co-worker with God. No part of the plan of redemption was ever wrought out without the co-operation of man.

The evidence of a real faith in God can only be given by work; for faith without works is dead.

"Even so faith, if it hath no works, is dead, being alone.

"Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

"Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

"But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?"—James 2:17-20.

Noah's faith was a real faith, because it was backed up by a life of self-denial, self-sacrifice, and work for God.

It was Jesus the Christ Himself who asked the question, "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"—Luke 18:8.

The ZION movement, and the building of ZION CITY gives more definite opportunity for God's people to manifest and to prove a real and living faith in God than anything else in the world does today.

God never planned to let a ZION CITY fall down from the skies for His people to enjoy. But God planned for His people to put in their life and their talents, their possessions and their properties, their ALL in this one great undertaking of establishing His KINGDOM upon the earth. Only when His people have put their ALL upon the altar, only when they are willing to cut asunder every tie with the world, the flesh, and the devil, only when they are willing to break loose from their sinful environments, only when they are willing to follow Jesus all the way and to cast in their lot, for time and eternity, with the people of God, only when they have burnt their bridges behind them, and having left Sodom and Gomorrah, never again expect to return, only when they are willing to devote all their life and time and talents for the building up of ZION in this day and age, only in this way can they give a genuine and undeniable proof that their faith in God is a genuine and tested faith.

MATERIAL TREASURES OF GOD'S PEOPLE REQUIRED TO BUILD UP ZION

As the Ark was made of material things, of gopher wood,

and pitched within and without as the result of hard wrought labor and toil, day in and day out, year in and year out, so the building of a ZION CITY is made up of material things, of the earthly possessions of God's people, as well as their spiritual possessions.

As it would have been impossible for Noah to have built an Ark merely by engaging in preaching and praying, so it would have been impossible likewise to build a ZION CITY merely by going to church and prayer meetings. It requires putting in all that we have in the way of material things, it means the using of all our possessions in ZION and the ZION Institutions, in order to build a ZION CITY.

Are you going to fail to obey the call of God?

Are you going to fail to provide a place of safety for yourself, for your family and children?

Are you going to fail to have a part in the most important work that God commands to be done at the close of the Gospel age—namely, the building-up of ZION?

The day will speedily come when the judgments of God will fall swift and heavily upon all the earth. The days of tribulation, spoken of by the Christ, are sure to come, and all who fail to obey the call of God must surely pass through them.

AN ARK OF SAFETY IS BEING BUILT FOR GOD'S PEOPLE IN ZION

Are you working on the job?

Have you put all that you are, and all that you have upon the altar, for the building-up of ZION, or have you, like Achan in the Old Testament, and like Ananias and Sapphira in the New Testament, withheld something for yourself that you refuse to surrender to God for the building-up of ZION?

Only a complete surrender will satisfy God; having put your hand to the plow, never look back. Having started to build the Ark, never cease in your labor of faith and love, until the work is accomplished. There will be safety in the Ark for you when you have been faithful, and the words, spoken to Noah, shall also be spoken to you, "Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation."

When the waters of tribulation have burst forth upon the earth, and engulfed the nations in terrible slaughter and blood shed, the elect will be saved; the Christ will come to deliver His own.

Do not wait until that time comes—until you are assured of a place of safety in the time of storm. One hundred and twenty years of grace were given to the antediluvians. Noah was the only one who made use of the season of grace.

Are you making the needed preparations now that God is demanding of you?

"When the Lord shall build up ZION, He shall appear in His glory."—Psalm 102:16.

ARE YOU ENGAGED IN THE BUILDING-UP OF ZION?

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," in Central ZION Tabernacle, 2535 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by Evangelist V. B. Shumaker, on Lord's Day, May 25, 1916:

Bradshaw, Miss Elva E.....	Illinois
Crouse, Mr. Joseph J.....	Illinois
Grosskreutz, Miss A. M.....	Illinois
Jensen, Mrs. Martha.....	Illinois
Moy, Mrs. J.....	Illinois
Sanders, Mrs. Eliz.....	Illinois

On Tuesday, May 27, 1916:

Boer, Mrs. Eva.....	Illinois
Boer, Mr. Richard.....	Illinois
Margadormo, Minie.....	Illinois
Rogan, Blanche.....	Illinois
Tessmer, Mr. Gust.....	Illinois

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

By Apostle Anton Darms

For many weeks and months ZION has been looking forward to and making preparation for the holding of her Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles.

Much time has been devoted, on the part of the General Overseer, to the holding of special meetings with the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION at Headquarters, to get them to the place where the blessings of God could come upon one and all more fully than ever before.

Attention was not only given to the spiritual preparation of the people, but everything was done to beautify the ZION Temple Site, where the people were to gather in Shiloh Tabernacle every morning and evening for the celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles.

Abundant showers had fallen from week to week to adorn Nature in her beautiful garb of green, with flowers of variegated colors.

ZION Temple Site is a beautiful spot, and provides for the worshipers in Shiloh Tabernacle a fitting environment and atmosphere, in which the glory of Jehovah can be seen and felt.

Members and friends from many different places already have gathered to be present at this Feast of Tabernacles, some of them being here for the first time. What joy and delight it is for them to meet with God's people in united worship and praise to God, Who has brought ZION into existence at this time!

On Tuesday, July 4th, the people assembled in Shiloh Park to celebrate the ZION Picnic. None of the boisterousness and frivolity which is so prevalent everywhere else on this day was to be seen, but ZION came together as a large family to enjoy the games, the Scarf Drill, and the music given by ZION Junior and Senior Bands, and the ZION Flute Band.

On Wednesday night, July 5th, the largest assembly for many years—at the opening of the Feast of Tabernacles—gathered to listen to the message given by the General Overseer.

After the singing of the opening hymns, the reading of the Thirty-fifth Chapter of Isaiah by the congregation, led by Apostle Peckham, and prayer offered by Elder Taylor, the General Overseer spoke on the subject, "ZION, the Ark of Safety." He read the following portions of Scripture: II. Peter 3:1-14; Matthew 24:32-39, and Genesis 7:1, 5, 7 and the last sentence of verse sixteen, and portrayed in vivid description the lurid conditions existing in the world today—conditions similar to those before the Flood—making an earnest plea to one and all to heed the call of God in the building of the New Ark—ZION.

An earnest admonition was given not to neglect the Word of God, prayer, the house of worship, or service in the Master's Vineyard, but to use every opportunity of sowing the seed broadcast, so that the golden grain may be found deposited in the granary later on.

Emphasis was placed upon the need of leadership in the building up of a Theocracy. God always has His man called and trained for the day and hour, to do his special work; but although He will hold the General Overseer responsible for his work as the leader of ZION, He will also hold the people responsible for the work they are called upon to do.

It was plainly shown in the address of the General Overseer that the government of ZION is not retrospective—looking back to the Mosaic Theocracy, but anticipatory—partaking of the nature of Christ's Millennial KINGDOM.

The closing of the address was particularly touching, when the General Overseer dwelt upon the fact that, after toiling for a hundred and twenty years, Noah and his family at last went into the Ark, and were shut in by the hand of God.

As the people wended their way home, with the breath of the Almighty invigorating them, having come to them through the Inspired Word of God spoken by the leader of Zion, the stars twinkled in the sky and spoke of the Father's love and care for His children during the silent hours of the night.

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."—Daniel 12:3.

"As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of ZION: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore."—Psalm 133:3.

Awakened early in the morning, the people again wended their way to Shiloh Tabernacle, while the dew was fresh upon the grass, to be present at six o'clock for the opening of the second meeting.

After the preliminary services, the General Overseer spoke upon the unity of the believer with Christ, as set forth in the figure of the vine and branches, based upon the words of Jesus in John 15:1-8.

The General Overseer emphasized the need of recognizing the Word of God as the Inspired Record of God's revelation. He also called attention to the need of recognizing in ZION a Divinely-called ministry to teach the people and minister to them, so that they might obtain the blessings of salvation, healing, and holy living.

While the program calls for only a twenty-minute address, the General Overseer believes in giving a generous Gospel measure, and his discourse lasted for two hours. Surely no one will have any reason to complain of not receiving a feast of abundant blessing, if they come with the spirit of true hunger and thirst after righteousness.

Let all ZION everywhere pray for ZION at Headquarters during these important days, that God will enable our leader and the people to go forward more than ever before in the building up of ZION at Headquarters, and throughout the world.

I could not be without "Leaves of Healing"

WASH., June 19, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

God bless you and all your work in Jesus Name!

I am sending you my renewal subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING and also one for my friend, Mr. Thos. Halldorson. Please pardon me, I forgot all about my subscription having expired, but I could not be without the LEAVES OF HEALING, they are a blessing to me and always a welcome guest.

Scatter the good seed down in the low valley it may catch root. We are too far away yet.

May the Almighty God crown you and all ZION people with still more light and strength to spread THE KINGDOM OF GOD near and far.

I pray to the highest throne of God to bless you 'all, yours truly

(Signed:) F. HANSON.

God Has Answered

COLORADO, May 22, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

I received your letter of May 9th, and I thank you very much for your prayer in my behalf. God has answered prayer and my arm is well. My fingers are still a little sore, but otherwise I cannot note any difference between my two arms.

My prayer to God is daily for you and all ZION. May God abundantly bless your work.

Your brother in Jesus the Christ,

(Signed:) A. G. CEDARSTAFF.

ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION HOME is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION HOME is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.



ZION HOME

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, renovating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION HOME.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

Program

ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

To be held, God willing, in

SHILOH TABERNACLE
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

By Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian
Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Assisted by

APOSTLE EUSTACE L. CAREY, APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM AND APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

From the Evening
of Wednesday, **July 5th, 1916**

To the Evening
of Lord's Day, **July 16, 1916**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

7:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Presentation and Consecration of the People to God.

Address by the General Overseer.

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

The First of a Series of Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer.

9:30 A. M.

The First Convocation of Zion Junior Restoration Host.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

"The Development of Zion City, and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."
Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager and others.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, the General Manager, and others, on the subject:

"How every officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Second Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH—Continued

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 9TH

9:30 A. M.

Convocation of Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts.
Zion Bible School.

The Consecration of Young Children by the General Overseer.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir
Senior White-Robed Choir
Robed Officers
Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City"
By A. R. Gaul

Zion White-Robed Choir and Orchestra

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Third Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

(Continued)

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fourth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

10:30 A. M.

DIVINE HEALING MEETING, conducted by the General Overseer. At the close of the Address, the General Overseer and the Apostles and Elders will pray with the sick who are seeking the Lord for healing.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Fifth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Sixth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

**The 16th Anniversary of the Consecration
of the Site of Zion Temple. Public
Holiday in Zion City.**

6:30 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Seventh Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

2:00 P. M.

Full Procession headed by Zion Guards, Zion Junior Band, Zion Junior Restoration Host, Zion Junior White-Robed Choir, Zion Senior Band, Zion Senior Restoration Host, Zion Senior White-Robed Choir, and Robed Officers, will march around the Site of Zion Temple. The Procession will then reform and take the seats reserved for them in Shiloh Tabernacle, where an Address will be delivered by the General Overseer.

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH—Continued**8:00 P. M.**

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Addresses by the General Overseer, General Manager, and others on the Subject:

"How every Officer, member and friend of Zion can help develop Zion City and promote Zion Institutions and Industries."

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH**6:30 A. M.**

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

8:00 P. M.

Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH**9:30 A. M.**

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.**GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.**CANTATA BETHANY**

Wm. ApMadoc.....W. Rhys-Herbert
Semi-Chorus from Zion White-Robed Choir.

Zion Estate Farms

¶ The following *Zion Estate Farms* are for sale to Zion people, and we want to dispose of every one of them within the next ninety days.

¶ Let all Zion persons who desire to own one of these farms write immediately to the General Manager, W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois.

Farm No. 1	42 acres	\$150 per acre
Farm No. 2	80 acres	175 per acre
Farm No. 3	85 acres	165 per acre
Farm No. 4	101 acres	125 per acre
Farm No. 5	52 acres	140 per acre
Farm No. 6	25 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 7	123 acres	160 per acre
Farm No. 8	60 acres	110 per acre
Farm No. 9	67 acres	85 per acre
Farm No. 10	40 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 11	42 acres	150 per acre
Farm No. 12	20 acres	100 per acre
Farm No. 13	33.6 acres	225 per acre
Farm No. 14	29 acres	185 per acre
Total -	799.6 acres	

NOW IS THE TIME TO SECURE A HOME IN ZION CITY

WE OFFER FOR SALE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

No. 1.	4-room house, good well, near school,	\$ 850.00
No. 2.	8-room house, good basement, electric lights, nicely located	2,250.00
No. 3.	5-room house, good basement, electric lights, sewer connections, centrally located,	SOLD
No. 4.	6-room house, good basement, electric lights, deep well, corner lot, near Tabernacle,	SOLD
No. 5.	10-room house, fine location, modern, hot water system,	4,700.00
No. 6.	6-room house, basement, electric lights, nicely located,	SOLD
No. 7.	6-room house, practically new, good basement, electric lights, well, cistern,	2,500.00
No. 8.	9-room house, good condition, good barn, near main Electric Station,	2,860.00
No. 9.	8-room house, near Zion Stores, deep well, electric lights, lots of fruit,	2,350.00
No. 10.	12-room house, good condition, near Tabernacle, fine for large family,	3,500.00

We will sell these on very reasonable terms. Would be glad to have you see them if possible, or write for full particulars.

Respectfully,

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager

SPECIAL NOTICE

It being our desire to encourage members and friends of ZION to take a quantity of the current issue of LEAVES OF HEALING regularly each week, we herewith make the following announcement:

Persons living in the United States who purchase them for Seventy work and who pay for them entirely out of their own pocket, can have a quantity of not less than five copies mailed to them regularly each week at three cents per copy. Persons living in Canada can get them at four cents per copy, and in foreign countries at five cents per copy, the difference being the amount of postage required in mailing them. Anyone taking a quantity in this way must pay for them at regular intervals of at least four weeks in advance. For instance, anyone desiring ten copies per week can remit One Dollar and Twenty Cents regularly every four weeks, and persons desiring fifteen copies, One Dollar and Eighty Cents every four weeks, etc.

This rate to private individuals who are bearing the expense alone, and who desire to do Seventy work in their respective neighborhoods, is even lower than we are allowing to the regular branches, and very much below the cost of publication. But it is our intention to do everything within our power to get the LEAVES OF HEALING spread broadcast throughout the country.

This arrangement furnishes an excellent opportunity for isolated members of ZION, living here and there throughout the world, to do active and progressive Seventy work in their vicinities. They can perhaps sell enough papers each week at five cents per copy to reimburse them for their expense, and they can mail out the others to friends or dispose of them as they feel led.

We have people on our list at present who are taking as high as twenty-five copies per week, others fifteen copies, some ten copies, some six, and some five copies per week. We desire to greatly increase this quantity list, and we trust that members and friends of Zion will respond heartily in this matter.

ZION CITY PEOPLE can also subscribe for five or more copies per week in the same way. This arrangement will enable people to spread the LEAVES OF HEALING at a very reasonable cost by mailing them out.

Any one taking advantage of this very special rate, however, is expected to keep it up permanently month after month, if they reasonably can. One never knows what just one copy of LEAVES OF HEALING may accomplish.

SHILOH TABERNACLE

THE CENTER OF INTEREST IN ZION CITY

The Principal Service is held every Lord's Day beginning with the Processional by the Zion White-Robed Choirs, promptly at 2:30 p. m.

All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

For complete information, from week to week, concerning the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING.

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ZION IN MINNEAPOLIS

Regular Meetings of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Minneapolis are held in the

TUTTLE CHURCH BUILDING

Corner Blaisdell Ave. and 27th Street

LORD'S DAY MEETINGS

Bible School	- - - - -	at 2:00 P. M.
PRINCIPAL MEETING	- - - - -	at 3:00 P. M.
Praise and Testimony Meeting	- - - - -	at 7:45 P. M.

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Every Wednesday	- - - - -	at 2:45 P. M.
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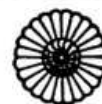
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Zion is a Nation with one purpose, viz: the establishment of the Kingdom of God, and altho for the sake of convenience, it is subdivided into departments, as the Ecclesiastical, Political, Educational, and Financial, yet in reality there is no division, and whether it is buying or selling, teaching or preaching, plowing or reaping, it is all for the one object, and every member of Zion should consider it a duty as well as a privilege to do his or her part in any or all of these departments.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Healed of La Grippe and Pneumonia Fever, and Raised Up When Apparently in a Dying Condition

YEA, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me."

Jesus the Tender Shepherd leads us all the way—to pastures green, by waters still, in paths of peace and righteousness.

THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH

This valley has no terrors for those who have Jesus the Christ with them. The true child of God knows no fear as he walks with the Shepherd by his side. No, not even in death's valley has he any fear!

The fear of death and the grave is common to all humanity. Only in Christ Jesus is fear removed from the heart; and the power that casts it out is the love of God.

"There is no fear in love; for perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He who feareth is not made perfect in love."—I. John 4:18.

Why should we fear to die?

"For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's."—Romans 14:8.

"These all died in faith, not having received the promises,



MR. FRANK T. MOLE

but having seen them afar off."—Hebrews 11:13.

Faith is to LIVE BY, and faith is to DIE BY—for the living and for the dying.

Fear comes from the devil, and by it the devil keeps the people in bondage. But Jesus Christ has made a way of deliverance, as it is written:

"Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil;

"And deliver them, who through fear of death were all there lifetime subject to bondage."—Hebrews 2:14, 15.

FAITH TRIUMPHS WHEN THERE IS NO FEAR

Those who trust in doctors, drugs, and surgeons are always in fear; but those who trust in God know no fear.

The witness whose photograph appears on the first page of this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING was healed of la grippe, and of pneumonia fever when dying.

We ministered to him in that dark and trying hour, and we gladly bear testimony to the total absence of fear upon the part of the dying husband, the praying wife, and his faithful parents and brothers.

It was this confidence in God which brought the great victory over the power of death. Had there been any fear in their hearts, defeat would have been swift and certain, for, humanly speaking, there was no hope, and the hand of the foul destroyer was slowly taking his life.

When we reached his bedside, he was sinking, and life seemed to be ebbing away. He could not whisper a word.

As we said to him, "Son, be of good cheer, thy faith hath saved thee," light came back into his dull eyes; his power of speech came back, and he looked up with a beautiful smile and said, in a strong, natural tone of voice, "I am better now." And, lo and behold, a miracle had been wrought—yea,

GOD HAD WROUGHT A MIRACLE

Faith had done its work, and God had heard and answered prayer.

In all the universe of God, there is no motive power comparable to the power of a *living faith*.

"Have faith in God"—a Divine faith!

This witness was quickly raised up, and was able to return to his work in ZION Store.

Let sinful, sad, and sick humanity everywhere read this story of the loving Savior's power to heal and bless!

O weary sufferer, Jesus waits to heal and bless you!

He is still of great compassion!

"And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick."—Matthew 14:4.

He Who restored Jairus' daughter to life; He Who gave back to the widow of Nain her only son who had died; He Who raised Lazarus from the dead and wept with Mary and Martha as they mourned for their brother, loves us just as much as He loved them, and will never fail us.

"Thy touch has still its ancient power;

No word from Thee can fruitless fall."

GOD'S IMMUTABLE PROMISES AND UNCHANGING CHARACTER

He has not changed, for He "is the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever."

He has not left us, for He said:

"Lo, I am with you *always*."

He has not lost His power to heal, for He said:

"*All power is given unto Me in Heaven and in earth.*"

He has not lost His willingness to heal, for He said:

"*I will; be thou clean.*"

For sixteen years this witness had lived the life of faith and absolute trust in God; and, in the hour of death, his faith failed not, and God did not forsake him, but spared his young life to his dear wife and little child. It is not God's will that family ties should be broken and loved ones taken away; that is the work of the devil.

He is only one among thousands of others in ZION whom God has wonderfully saved and healed.

We send forth this story of God's power to heal and restore life with the earnest prayer that it may find its way to the bedsides of thousands of weary sufferers, and tell them that Jesus is still of great compassion; that today He heals the sick, revives the dying, and snatches from the jaws of death.

"THE PRAYER OF FAITH (NOT POISONOUS DRUGS) SHALL SAVE THE SICK, AND THE LORD SHALL RAISE HIM UP."—James 5:15.

—APOSTLE WM. S. PECKHAM.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF FRANK T. MOLE

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666 CARMEL BOULEVARD,
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Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

As God has been so good to me, I wish to write my testimony that all may know that today there is a God who hears and answers prayer, and heals His children.

In the year 1902 I was baptized and became a member of ZION, with my parents. In July, 1903, we came from West Mersea, Essex, England, to Zion City. In 1908 I went, with my brother Cecil, back to England. During the two years and four months that I was there, the devil put me through some severe tests; but I had ZION in my heart, and was longing to get back

as soon as I could get the means, although I did not say so when I wrote to my parents, until I had been there over two years. When I expressed my desire to get back, they were more than delighted to send my ticket by return mail. They had not ceased to pray for me, that I might be kept and brought back to ZION CITY. I thank God that He answered their prayers and brought me back, after I had learned my lessons.

ZION CITY is the dearest place on earth to me. What a blessing it is to know and to realize that you are among God's people and that they are praying for you when sick, instead of trying to force the doctors upon you. For sixteen years I have lived without medicine.

I wish to thank God for His mercies to me and for sparing my life, and restoring me to health and strength when I was very ill with LaGrippe and Pneumonia Fever. On Sunday night, December 26th, 1916, I took sick with LaGrippe. I had a chill and by morning I felt so bad that I could not go to work as usual. During the day, Elder Robbins called to pray with me. On Wednesday he called again and I felt so much better. I got up for a few hours. On Thursday I got up again and sat up till 7 o'clock P. M., but on going to bed, I felt very bad indeed. Through the night and all the next day, I grew worse, having a high fever. This being the night of the All-Night Meeting, I sent a request for prayer to the General Overseer, as I was suffering from a severe pain in my side. During the night, I became delirious, and father was called home from the All-Night Meeting. The General Overseer was asked to pray again at this time. I became some better, but was still quite ill. I was so bad that I could not be left alone and had to be fed, but I took no solid food for about two weeks. I was burning up with fever at times, and at other times the bed-clothing was as if it had been soaked with the perspiration. I was too weak to help myself and would almost strangle from the phlegm I coughed up. On Wednesday night I became very low again, till my father saw that I was dangerously ill and sent for the General Overseer to pray again. My brother brought Apostle Peckham from the Rally. When he arrived I was sinking very rapidly and could not whisper a word; but after prayer I immediately spoke in a strong, natural tone of voice. I became very much better and rested well the rest of the night. I continued to improve from that time on. On Saturday I fed myself for the first time. On Thursday next, I went downstairs, and in a weeks time, I went to work again. I gained 5 pounds the first ten days after I went to work. I now weigh more than I ever did and am feeling well and strong, for which I thank God.

I thank God for ZION and for the faithful ones who prayed for me. I thank God that prayer was answered and that I am a living witness that God still heals His people.

I thank God that He has blessed me and given me a home in ZION CITY, a faithful christian wife and a strong, healthy baby. We are very thankful for such a lovely child, whom God has kept so well and strong. He is now ten months old. He has ZION parents, and ZION grandparents on both sides of the family.

As a family, we strive to put God first and go to Him in prayer, with all our cares.

Praying that God may bless this testimony to some one, I remain

Your brothers in Christ,

(Signed) FRANK THOMAS MOLE.

CONFIRMATORY TESTIMONY OF MRS. GEORGIA CROW-MOLE.

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ZION CITY, ILLINOIS.
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Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

I wish to confirm the testimony of my husband in regard to his recent healing from LaGrippe and Pneumonia Fever.

Those of us who waited upon him day and night realized that he was in a serious condition, and yet, I thank God that I did not lose courage. I armed myself with the Word of God and cast away all thought of fear, and rested in His promises to heal and deliver.

As I sat by the bedside of my husband and read, sang, and prayed, I rejoiced that I believed God would hear and answer the many earnest prayers of His children.

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The Sacrificial Offering

TO BE TAKEN AT

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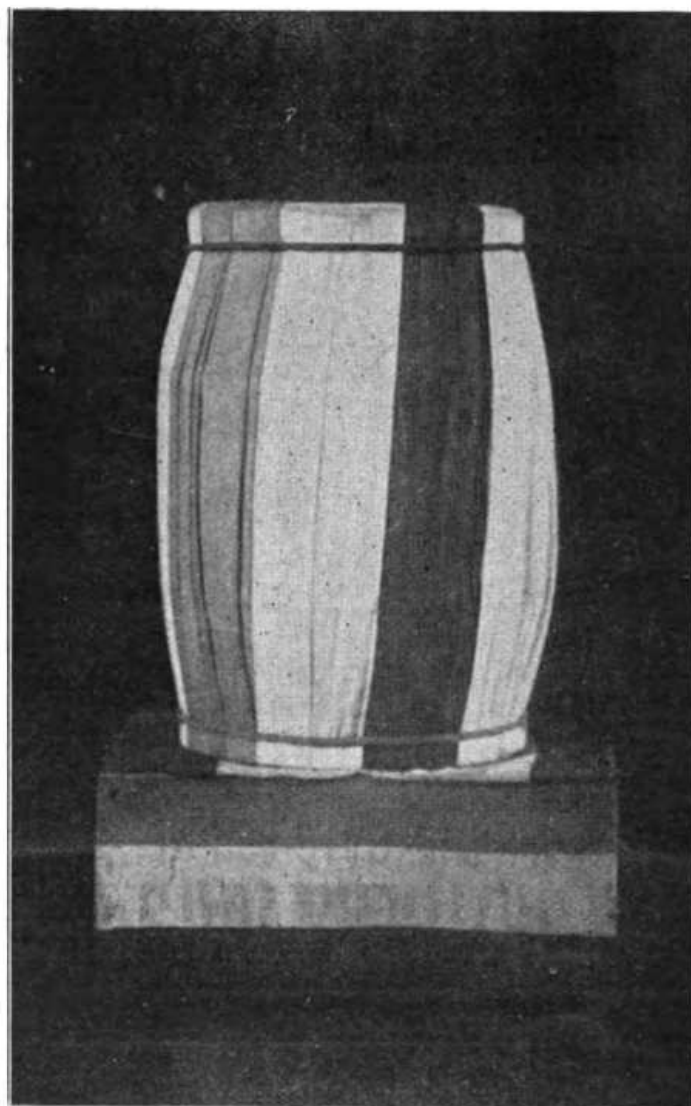
Two Sacrificial Offerings

are taken each year—one on the second Lord's Day afternoon of the Feast of Tabernacles, and the other at the All-Night Meeting.

A Sacrificial Offering calls for self-denial and self-sacrifice; and, in order that it may be what God expects it to be, all Zion must make the necessary preparation through prayer and consecration and by systematic planning in order to respond to the honor and glory of God.

A glorious scene that cannot be duplicated anywhere else in the world is that of thousands of earnest, godly people marching in regular order around the barrel, and depositing their offerings.

God has wrought great things in Zion! and He is ready to do greater things as Zion people become a truly consecrated people.



Picture of Barrel Used to Receive the Sacrificial Offerings

THIS SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

should be, by far, the largest yet taken.

Zion's Work has many needs, and all officers, members, and friends should have a part in supplying these needs.

Earnest prayer, self-denial, self-sacrifice and true co-operation on the part of all, will mean great things for Zion, in the spreading of Literature broadcast, and in extending many other departments of the work.

As a people we should more and more claim God's promises; step out on His Word, and not be afraid to trust Him for spirit, soul and body.

Many workers have been placed in the Field, and in order to keep these workers in the field and send out other workers, ALL officers and members of the Church MUST BE FAITHFUL in TITHING and in giving their offerings as God prospers them.

The SUCCESS of Zion's Work depends upon YOU.



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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus' Name

JESUS THE HEALER, AND SATAN THE DEFILER

The ministry of Jesus the Christ is summed up in three things: Teaching, Preaching, Healing.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

What did He teach?

He taught His own Divinity.

He taught His own incarnation.

He taught that every man on earth was in need of a Savior.

He proclaimed Repentance first, and Faith next.

Zion proclaims that there is no salvation in any other name than that of Jesus.

SATAN THE DEFILER.

"He that doeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this end was the Son of God manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."—I John 3:8.

"How that God anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him."—Acts 10:38.

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day?"—Luke 13:16.

ZION, in her teaching, smites the wicked lie that God makes His children sick.

WHAT SHOULD A CHRISTIAN DO WHEN SICK?

"Is any sick among you? let him call for the Elders of the Church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

"And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."—James 5:14-16.

A Christian should obey the commands of God as contained in His Word.

"What should a Christian do when sick?" is plainly answered by the above Apostolic command, which was inspired by the Spirit of God. It shows you what was the practice of the primitive Church.

Nowhere in the Old Testament, nor in the New, is there a single word approving doctors, surgeons, or drugs. You may search the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, covering four thousand one hundred years of human history, of Divine Revelation, and you will find no provision for any other healing of God's people than God Himself.

"What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of His people shall trust in it."

ZION has been called into existence as a place of refuge for the oppressed and afflicted of God's people.

The ministers of the apostate Churches are, for the most part, false shepherds, and they have turned the sick, the suffering and the dying over to doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives. The sick know better than to ask the ministers to pray for their healing, for they will tell them that the day of miracles is past, that Jesus used to heal but that He does not heal now, and they will advise them to go to the doctors.

Requests for prayer may be sent to ZION from any part of the world, and every Request will be given careful consideration.

Send in your Requests. If you can come to ZION HOME and attend the meetings and get the teaching, all the better.

Write to WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, placing the words "General Ecclesiastical Secretary" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

How Shall We Escape if We Neglect So Great Salvation

Report of the Service, Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, June 6, 1915, Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

The service began with the entrance into the Tabernacle of ZION White-robed Choir, singing in PROCESSIONAL: "TEN THOUSAND TIMES TEN THOUSAND."

Ten thousand times ten thousand
In sparkling raiment bright,
The armies of the ransom'd saints
Throng up the steepes of light;
'Tis finished! all is finished,
Their fight with death and sin:
Fling open wide the golden gates,
And let the victors in.

What rush of alleluias
Fills all the earth and sky!
What ringing of a thousand harps
Bespeaks the triumphs nigh!
Oh, day for which creation
And all its tribes were made;
Oh, joy, for all its former woes,
A thousand-fold repaid!

Oh, then what raptur'd greetings
On Canaan's happy shore;
What knitting sever'd friendships up,
Where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle
That brimm'd with tears of late;
Orphans no longer fatherless,
Nor widows desolate.

Bring near Thy great salvation,
Thou Lamb for sinners slain;
Fill up the roll of Thine elect,
Then take Thy power, and reign:
Appear, Desire of nations,
Thine exiles long for home:
Show in the heav'ns Thy promised sign:
Thou Prince and Saviour, come!

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon earth,
Thy Saving Health among all nations:
For the sake of Jesus. Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all join in singing hymn No. 729
—"ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME."

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Apostle Carey then led the people in the recitation of the APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost:
Born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate;
Was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell,

The third day He rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The Holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the Body,
And the Life Everlasting. Amen.

Apostle Carey also led in the recitation of the Commandments, the Choir reverently chanting the response, "Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these Thy Laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee."

GOD'S COMMANDMENTS

- I. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
 - II. Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image, nor the likeness of any form that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I, Jehovah, thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation of them that hate Me, and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me and keep My commandments.
 - III. Thou shalt not take the Name of Jehovah thy God in vain; for Jehovah will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain.
 - IV. Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is a Sabbath unto Jehovah thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days Jehovah made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore Jehovah blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.
 - V. Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee.
 - VI. Thou shalt do no murder.
 - VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
 - VIII. Thou shalt not steal.
 - IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
 - X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.
- Hear also what our Lord Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God, hath said, which may be called the Eleventh Commandment:
- XI. A new Commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; even as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

The CHOIR then sang the

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father Everlasting.
To Thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein.
To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth,
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise Thee.
The Holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee.
The Father of an Infinite Majesty;
Thine Adorable, True and Only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ;
Thou art the Everlasting Son of the Father.
When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man,
Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb;
When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the Glory of the Father.

We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants,
Whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine heritage;
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify Thee;
And we worship Thy Name ever, world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us as our trust is in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

APOSTLE CAREY: I will read from the Inspired Word of God, in the 91st Psalm:

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust.

Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

Because thou hast made the Lord, Who is my Refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

Because he hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My Name.

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him.

With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation.

May God bless His Word!

GENERAL OVERSEER: Before we go to God in prayer, I desire to have sung the hymn, entitled, "DEEPER YET." Conductor Thomas will sing the stanzas, and let all join in the chorus:

In the blood from the cross
I have been washed from sin;
But to be free from dross
Still I would enter in.

CHORUS:
Deeper yet, deeper yet,
Into the crimson flood;
Deeper yet, deeper yet,
Under the precious blood.

Day by day, hour by hour,
Blessings are sent to me;
But for more of His pow'r
Ever my pray'r shall be.

Near to Christ I would live,
Following Him each day;
What I ask He will give,
So then with faith I pray.

Now I have peace, sweet peace,
While in this world of sin;
But to pray I'll not cease
Till I am pure within.

PRAYER

APOSTLE CAREY: O God, we come into Thy Presence—Thou Who art most High and most Holy. We come because Thou hast made the way open for us to come, through Jesus the Christ our Lord. We come with boldness, yet it is with deep humility we approach unto Thee today.

Hear us, O God our Father, and bless us with every needed blessing. We thank Thee for Thy goodness to us. We are grateful for the many tokens of Thy love. Thou hast been good to us, and we praise Thee for Thy goodness which has followed us during the week that is past and gone; and once more we are found within Thy house to worship Thee.

Help us, O God, in spirit and in truth to worship Thee. Thou dost see every heart. Thou knowest every thought. We cannot hide ourselves from Thee, nor can we hide any thought from Thee. Thou knowest us altogether and Thou seest us.

O God, help us in bowing before Thee to bow in spirit and in truth. May there be no hypocrisy in this movement. O God, if there be one here who is not in tune with Thy purpose, who does not know Thee, we pray that the Holy Spirit, with convicting power, may come upon such an one today, here in this sacred hour, and show that one his error in keeping away from the Almighty God.

We pray Thee to help every one to draw nigh to Thee. If there are those here who profess Thy Name and yet are living far from Thee, we pray for such. Our hearts yearn for them that they may come nearer to Thee—nearer to Jesus today.

O God, we pray Thee to bless to all, the beautiful hymns and songs that have been sung. Bless the Word that has been read and the Commandments which we have recited. Oh, may all these draw us nearer to Thee—yes, nearer to Thee, my God, nearer to Thee.

Father, suit a blessing to every one here today. There are some who are sad and sorrowful, and we remember that Jesus when He was on earth wept. O God, today put Thy loving arms around them and whisper Thy words of consolation and comfort to them. There are some here, perhaps, who are sick, and they have come to Thy house to worship Thee. Father, bless them and heal them, we beseech Thee.

We pray, O God, for all who love Thee everywhere, not only in Zion City but in all the cities and places of this world. Bless Thy dear children everywhere, and gather them at last into one congregation and make them one in Christ Jesus, as Christ is one in Thee.

We pray Thee to bless in Zion City. Father, help us in this great work which Thou hast given unto us. Bless, we pray Thee, every man and every woman who has any love in his or her heart for Zion. Help such an one to get into line with God and with Zion—with Thy purposes.

Our Father, help us to go forward in this fight for Truth and Righteousness. Thou hast promised to help us. We pray one prayer, and that is that Thou wilt help us to be faithful; and if we are faithful Thou hast promised to bless us in every way.

We beseech Thee to move upon the hearts of all Thy children in this City today, that the sons of Light may get together and may be strong in the Lord in this the day of need. So may we go forward to fight against the hosts of darkness—of sin, of disease, of death and of hell.

Now we pray Thee to bless Zion in all lands today. Bless Thy servants who are in charge of Thy work in Zion in various places. Bless all of the members of Zion. Help us all to be sure we are right with Thee, and then we know we shall have Thy blessing in our individual life and in our life as a people and as a community.

We pray Thee to bless Thy servant who shall speak to us. Endue him with power from above. Bless him in his great work and help us all to stand faithfully around him.

Hear us and bless us we pray Thee in the Name of Jesus, Who when on earth taught His disciples to pray, saying, "After this manner therefore pray ye: (The Choir and congregation then joined in chanting the Lord's Prayer.)

The Tithes and Free-will Offerings were then received after which the General Overseer made the announcements for the week.

The Senior Choir rendered the Anthem—"GLORIOUS IS THY NAME."

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: I come now to the most important part of this entire service. We have had the reading of the Ten Commandments which, of course, is just as important, because that is the reading of the Word of God.

I desire you to give close attention as I read a number of appropriate selections of Scripture, selected as different thoughts have coursed through my mind.

The Institution of the Church Based upon the Confession of Christ's Divinity

In the 16th chapter of Matthew I will read a few verses, noting particularly one verse. Here is where the Church is first mentioned—if indeed the Greek word is the word for Church.

"And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona:—I want to tell you, in passing, so you will always know, that "bar" is the Hebrew word for son; so the word "Bar-jona" simply means the son of Jona.

"—Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father Who is in heaven.

"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church—"

Now the word "Church" means "called out of." It comes from two words—"ek," meaning "out of;" and "kaleo," meaning "to call."

"—And the gates of hell shall not prevail against it"—or overcome it.

I desire you to keep in mind that the Church of the Living God, it is absolutely certain, will finally triumph. The last enemy that is to be put under foot is Death.

In the Book of Hebrews, just a few verses in the 1st chapter and a few in the 2nd chapter.

The Book of Hebrews is one of the most remarkable of all the epistles. It is not certain who was the author. Some think it was Paul, some think it was Apollos; and some believe the thought is Paul's and the language Luke's—because the language of the Epistle to the Hebrews, next to the Acts of the Apostles, is the clearest and the most scholarly of any of the epistles.

"God, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,"—or *in* the prophets, or *through* the prophets. The primary meaning of the word "prophet" is simply a mouthpiece for God, a man in whom and through whom God speaks.

"—Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, Whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by Whom also He made the worlds;"

You have the plural form here, "worlds." Now that is not correct. There is one world, and only one. God never created but one world. It is only a false science that talks about "worlds."

Now we may, for convenience, talk about the Inorganic world, referring to the world where the rocks and the inanimate objects are; and the Organic world, where there is life; and the vegetable kingdom and the animal kingdom; and we may talk about the natural world and the psychical world and the spiritual world. But there is just *one* world, and *ONLY* one. God is everywhere, and ultimately God's rule will be supreme.

"Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;"

Then he goes on to prove that the Son was better than the angels.

God's People Exhorted not to Neglect "So Great Salvation"

In the 2nd chapter—"Therefore," the 1st chapter being the basis, "we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard lest at any time we should let them slip."

For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward;

HOW SHALL WE ESCAPE, IF WE NEGLECT SO GREAT SALVATION;—

ZION, I desire you to understand that these words were not written to sinners—sinners in the sense that they had not repented or made a confession. These words were written to men and women who had made a profession, who had claimed conversion, and who had started apparently in the Christian life.

So the solemn question is to them, and I want you to understand that it is to YOU,

"HOW SHALL WE ESCAPE, IF WE NEGLECT SO GREAT SALVATION; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him;

"God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to His own will?"

You have nothing to do with the gifts of the Holy Ghost—absolutely nothing! You may pray until you grow black in the face and that will never bring the gifts of the Holy Ghost to you.

When I get to it, if I do during the Feast of Tabernacles, in order to have a powerful object lesson I am going to get about twenty little boys, ranging in ages from six to nine, and I am going to have them give a demonstration here and howl for four hours to become men, and see whether they do it or not.

You never saw a company of little boys howling and screaming and yelling, "O God, I want to be six feet tall this afternoon! Lord, I want to weigh 200 lbs. before morning. O God, make me a man this afternoon! Lord, make me a man!" Why, there would not be any sense in it if they did, would there?

Well, there is just as much sense in that as for a lot of people to get together and howl and yell around, expecting that they are going to become full grown men and women in Christ Jesus in one day, or in one year.

A lot of these people who are talking about being wholly sanctified, they have not grasped the first principle of God's parable—"First the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear."

Regeneration an Instantaneous, but Sanctification a Continuous Experience

Why, some of these people who talk about full sanctification, one million years of Eternity will not be sufficient for them even to start an ear of corn.

Howling for God to make you a full grown man in Jesus the Christ all in a minute!

I concede that you can be born in a minute, in a *second*; but I maintain that it takes this life and it will take all Eternity to get a full grown man in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ said, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they"—what? GROW! He did not say, "Look at their leaves," did He? He did not say, "Look at their stems." No! He said, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his kingly pageantry and glory was not arrayed like a lily."

You have to grow physically just like the lily; and you have to grow spiritually just like the lily. You have to be born, first of all; and birth into this world is not a matter of forty years, it is a matter of a very short time. And so it is with the spiritual birth. It is possible for a man to sit here a sinner now, and to be touched by the Spirit of the Living God and be born again in a second of time. But do not tell me that he can be sanctified and become a full grown man in Christ Jesus in five minutes!

I say NO!

All the praying he can do, and all the writhing and all the twisting and all the contortions and all the groanings, will never make him grow one millionth part of an inch—not a millionth part of an inch!

Growth is an unconscious thing. I never yet, in all my experience, heard a child say, "I am trying to grow."

Did you?

Should a child try to grow he would dwarf and stunt his growth. That is one thing you can do—you can dwarf your growth; but you cannot promote it.

Now, remember that these words were written to people just like you.

You may say, "I am going to Heaven. I do not smoke tobacco and I do not chew and I do not drink and I do not do this and that."

Doing Nothing as sure a Cause of Damnation as doing Evil

That is just where you are being fooled, my brother! Let me tell you that a man does not have to smoke tobacco nor chew it, nor drink whisky, nor live an immoral life, nor be a notorious sinner, in order to go to hell. All you have to do to go to hell is to DO NOTHING! That is what I want to drive home to your hearts this afternoon.

The Bible says, "HOW SHALL WE ESCAPE, IF WE NEGLECT SO GREAT SALVATION?"

And I say to you before my God, with a burdened heart, with a feeling of deep solemnity, *are there not some here this afternoon who have shamefully neglected the great salvation?* Though they once professed to have God, is not the garden grown up with weeds?

Remember, my brothers and sisters, that the Christian life has a positive and a negative side; that there are sins of *commission* and there are sins of *omission*.

You will hear on every hand, "Well, I am not so very bad. I do not do anything that is bad."

Many a time I have gone into homes where I have been asked to come and pray, and I say to a man, "Are you a Christian?"

"Well, I have never done anything that is very bad."

What has that to do with it? He is on the road to hell *because he has not done anything*.

And I quake and tremble this afternoon for fear that that is where some of you are. An iceberg is respectable. An icicle is a beautiful object.

One time when an expedition party went in search of a party that had sailed in quest of the North Pole, they came in sight, with their glasses, of what they were sure was the lost ship and the lost party. As they approached, they called, but there was no answer. They came closer, they saw the captain of that lost boat sitting at the table, pen in hand, with a book open before him. They saw other members of the party sitting in chairs, and they called to them, but there was no answer; for the cold of the Polar region that had frozen them to death had preserved

them sitting in the precise positions as when life became extinct. And yet, to all appearances, they were alive.

I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, there are millions of church members who are spiritually in the same condition as the captain and the members of that party. You look at them sitting in the church building, they look respectable, and you think at first there is life; but when you apply the test there is no life. The worldliness that froze them to death preserved them in an upright position, but there is no life there—none whatever!

You know, revivalists have a good many favorite texts, and they do not know beans about any of them. Here is one that most revivalists preach on, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" And they preach over the heads of the hypocrites and go out yonder for the smokers and the drinkers and the sinners, and they say, "Look here, my friend, how are you going to escape if you neglect the great salvation?"

Regenerated Persons Must be Delivered From the Effects as Well as the Cause of Sin

Well, they are not neglecting it, because they never had it. This is written to people who have HAD salvation—who have had the forgiveness of their sins. But I will tell you what they have not had, they have not had *deliverance from the effects of sin*, they have not been *sanctified*.

How are you going to escape if you neglect so great salvation?

The Bible says, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

If you sow tobacco, you will reap amaurosis and paralysis and cancer. If you sow whisky, sowing to the flesh you will reap delirium tremens. If you sow immorality, you will rot from the crown of your head to the soles of your feet.

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

You know that just as well as you know anything!

But listen! The man who sows NOTHING is just as certainly on the road to hell as the man who commits every crime in the catalogue!

You may sit back there and wrap your robes of self-righteousness around you, and say, "I do not belong to any church! I go to meeting when I like! I am living a quiet, respectable life." Yes, and so is a tombstone!

"Oh," you say, "I do not swear, and I do not blackguard, and I do not drink, and I do not go to theaters,—I live a clean, moral life."

Yes, and you are on the road to hell as sure as the most notorious drunkard and scoundrel out of the penitentiary! All you have to do to go to hell is to do *nothing*! That is all!

Herbert Spencer, taking up one of the paragraphs in Darwin's works, cites this case: For instance, you take out of a yard a flock of tame pigeons that have had all the benefits of civilization—careful watching and feeding and so on—until the owner points to them with great pride as the finest lot of pigeons in the state—the greatest variety of color, the greatest variety along all lines, with more marks of civilization—and he says, "All this is due to my knowledge of pigeons, to my scientific knowledge of how to feed them and how to watch over them."

It is an actual fact, that sea-gulls, that live on the flesh of fish, have been fed on grain and have absolutely developed a new stomach and have come to have a craw the very same as a chicken has. It has also been demonstrated that you can take a fowl that lives absolutely on grain, and feed it exclusively on a flesh diet, and you can alter absolutely its stomach and its digestion.

Now, Herbert Spencer goes on to say, that if you take that flock of pigeons away out here on the edge of an island and let them loose, and then in three years, or absolutely in five years' time, if you take a neighbor and go out to that island and look around, there will not be one pigeon of the whole thousand that has not become blue. There will be no variety of color. There will be the same black bands, the same white spots, and the same territory of blue on every pigeon. In other words, they will have lost every mark of civilization.

Now then, he goes on further to illustrate what every farmer knows to be true about chickens—what Tindall knows. Chickens are one thing Tindall does know about, if he doesn't know anything else. (Laughter.)

I should like to know, Professor Tindall, Poultry Editor of

"The Theocrat," why it is that poultry raisers, fanciers, do certain things? They do them to get a superior bird, do they not? And you know very well that if you neglect your chickens they will go back to the old dominican railsplitter, that drinks out of a jug and roams the fields and gets her food wherever she can find it.

This same thing is true of strawberries. You may take the finest patch of strawberries there is in Zion City—a patch well developed and looked after by a man like Deacon Schlappi, for instance; and just let Deacon Schlappi go away for two years and engage somebody else to look after those strawberries, who does not do it—some one who does not bother with them, who allows the weeds to grow up on all sides; and what will be the result? Why, they will revert to the wild strawberry vine. The strawberries will not be any larger than the end of my little finger, and they will be as sour as a pickle.

The same is true of the most beautiful rose. If you neglect it it will go back to the old dog-rose of the old farm fence.

Neglect of the Great Salvation Brings Irreparable Loss

And this same principle holds when it comes to man. You let a man who has tasted of God, who has had forgiveness of his sins—that is the beginning of salvation, but it goes a good deal deeper than that—let him neglect that salvation and see the result. Salvation means the burning out of all the consequences of sin. But how few people ever go on?

After a man has tasted of God, if he neglects, he will simply go back and go down.

I tell you, as I am preparing for the Feast of Tabernacles what I hope will be the best addresses I have ever delivered and that will reach the hearts of the people as I have never reached them before—and I pray that God, by the Holy Spirit's power, will sanctify them unto the good of the people—oh, how sad it is to hear the words of Jesus, "Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away, and casts it to one side for the burning."

My God, what an awful thing, as one sits here this afternoon—what an awful thing if you are a branch that has been severed from the Vine, that has been cast to one side; though you look like you are alive, you are spiritually dead; you are out of touch with God, and all you are in touch with is the animal world; you eat and you drink and you sleep, and finally you will die, just like a hog!

Here is another thing that makes a man shudder!

Does not the Bible say, "Whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that which he hath?"

I desire to remind you of the parable of the Talents. I will ask you this question: There were three men, were there not? One had ten talents, another five, and another one.

Now, was it the man who had ten talents who hid them in the napkin? Yes or no? No!—and why not? Was it the man with five talents? No!—and why not? Was it the man with one talent who hid it in the napkin? Yes, it was! And there is a sound reason for it, too.

It is true from observation that men and women who have ten talents and five talents never hide them in a napkin; but they will spend them lavishly, either in God's service or in the devil's service. While the men and women with one talent, they say, "Oh, well, it is not worth bothering with."

How many of that kind are there here this afternoon?

"Oh, I can't do anything! It is not worth while to bother trying to do anything!"

Do you see that man there living the life of a libertine? He has numerous talents and he is using every one of them for the devil.

Terrible Penalty Awaiting the Wastefulness of God-given Talents

That is the reason that parable was given. It was meant to teach that the men and women who need the closest attention are the ones with the one talent.

It is contrary to God's Word to say, "I have only a little talent, what does it matter. It doesn't amount to anything, and I just put it away and let it go."

You know, here is one thing I wish to impress upon you. The Bible says, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the Living God." (Hebrews 10:31)

Does it not say that?

Yes!—"It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the Living God."

That is true. May God help me to make it plain and emphasize it o'er and o'er, that God, the Great Judge, sits on His Throne, and that there is a judgment which God will render.

Make no mistake about that!

When He calls them all up, He will say to them on the right hand, "Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world!" And to those on the left, He will say, "Depart from Me, all ye workers of iniquity!"

That will be His sentence.

Do not think there is no Judge and no judgment.

As one man wrote in a couplet,

"I looked for the sins of my past,

And, lo, they had gone on before."

That is a great truth. The Bible says that some men's sins go on before them to judgment, does it not?

Here is what I want to impress upon you: Do not think you can postpone the day of reckoning. You cannot do it! Do not make the mistake of thinking you can sin today, and tomorrow, and next week, and next year, and that over yonder somewhere those sins are being piled up, and that maybe in sixty or one hundred years you will have to face them.

Nature's Laws Carry Penalties for Every Transgressor

Remember, the transgression of God's law carries with it the power of execution. All you have to do is to visit a hospital or an insane asylum, and you will see Nature going from cot to cot, making her demands. She is squaring her accounts and making her collections, entirely independent of any sentence of God the Almighty or of any Word of God the Almighty.

So this afternoon, my brothers and sisters, I do not need to preach to you and tell you not to indulge in intoxicating liquor; not to steal; not to commit murder; not to defile your bodies, which are the temples of the Holy Ghost, with the filthy tobacco and poisonous drugs.

No, I do not need to tell you that; but I do need to say this to some of you: God knows all about you, my friend, and HOW ARE YOU GOING TO ESCAPE IF YOU NEGLECT SO GREAT SALVATION?

The answer is, YOU CANNOT ESCAPE!

Hell will be your portion!

The man who sows to the flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption; and the man who sows nothing, will reap nothing.

Now, during the Feast of Tabernacles I want to put on the blackboard some illustrations, and I want to show you some of the most wonderful things in the Word of God—things you have never dreamed of.

To this end I desire to read a few verses, and may God burn them into your hearts. I will tell you, what makes my heart sad is to see how far beneath your privileges you are living.

Do you not know, my brothers and sisters, that the man who takes the whole cross of Christ and shoulders it has an easy time compared with the man who is trying to take up a little bit of it.

Why, the biggest fool on God Almighty's earth, is the man who is trying to serve both the world and God. Jesus uttered his voice, and it has come ringing down through the centuries, "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon;" and a man is a fool who undertakes it.

My brothers and sisters, God Almighty created you. There are three chambers in this wonderful being that God has made.

There is the body—we are not to despise it. It is matter, as to substance—it is the physical organism. What a wonderful piece of machinery it is!

You will find some people, all they think about is athletics. As one gentleman who visited Australia said, "If the members of Parliament do not enact a law and put a stop to so much football, the first thing you know all the children in Australia will be born with their brains in their feet."

The Development Only of the Physical Organism Does Not Produce Real Character

All some people think about is the development of the physical organism, and they take breathing exercises to expand the lungs, and they have their heart tested every so often. A lot of these fellows, you know, who are scared to death they are go-

ing to die, they have examinations for their blood pressure and for their heart-beats and for their pulse-beats. That is the life they live! That is the circle in which they move.

The circle above the animal or the physical, is the mental; and all some people think about is developing the mind. Oh, they have such an education, and they have read so many books, and they are so brilliant in science and philosophy and literature and so on!

That is as high as they go.

However, I am here to tell you this afternoon, that the man who lives the physical life only is not one whit above the hog! And a lot of people are not as good as hogs; for never in my life have I heard a hog growling about his swill. You may throw him forty ears of corn, and he will eat five or six and go off and lie down and behave himself; but a lot of people will not do that.

You know as well as I do that the life a lot of people live is the animal life. If they are one whit above a horse or a cow I would like for you to prove it to me. All they do is to eat—well, eating is all right. We have to eat, and we have to drink good water, and we have to sleep; but they are means to an end—they are not the end of life.

This physical life is the substratum or the basis of the mental, and the mental and the physical are the substratum of the spiritual organism, and the psychical, too, for that matter, which is the mental, are the result of life—the life of the parents, according to God's arrangement: so in the third order, the spiritual, you have to be touched by the Living God and be "born again."

Remember, you can never become a spiritual man by exercising the muscles.

When I have spoken severely to some people for making fools out of themselves over athletics, they have said to me, "Well, a man who takes care of his body is doing something good."

I do not know whether he is or not. That all depends upon what his purpose is. Development of the heart and lungs so as to become powerful physically, if it is not to be spent in God Almighty's service, is of no avail.

Regeneration Necessary to Create the Spiritual Life

You can practice gymnastics all you want to, and it will not turn you into an angel, and it will never turn you into a saint. You will never become a son or a daughter of God by gymnastic exercises. More than that, it is possible to go through the eight grades, high school, college and university, and finish off in Berlin, Oxford, or Cambridge—you may go as far as it is possible to go in your research and you will still be an animal just the same. You can never LIFT YOURSELF out of the natural, the psychical, up into the spiritual. That is just where the trouble comes in.

Why do you not give your heart to God?

"Oh, it isn't necessary. I have always lived a pretty good sort of a life."

Come, my brother, my sister,—"Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot"—what?

PEOPLE: "See THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

It does not say he *will not*, but it says he CANNOT see THE KINGDOM OF GOD. You may talk about THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and talk about seeing it, but if you are not "born again" you do not see it.

In the conference yesterday morning I was asked as to whether a man who was not converted could be an obedient man?

I say NO! I say it is impossible for a man or a woman who has not been "born again" to obey God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Did not Christ say of the Holy Spirit, that the world cannot see Him, does not know Him, and cannot receive Him?

Did not He say that?

Why, you might render an outward observance, but that does not amount to anything.

What is the difference between a Christian and a man who is not a Christian?

There are many ways to answer that question. You know, some things with which we have to deal escape definition; but it is a glorious thing to chase them around, and once in a while one can almost get hold of them.

One way to answer that question is this: The difference between a Christian and a non-Christian is the difference between a beautiful, bright red, living rose, and one a woman makes out of paper.

The Christian Life the Expression of the Indwelling Christ

I will answer it in another way: It is the difference between a throbbing, living man and a man made out of wax. The Christian is *alive*; the man who is not a Christian is *dead*.

Listen!

"For to be carnally minded is death;"

Why, that does not mean that Johnson there shall fall over on the floor and that we take up his lifeless body and put it in the ground.

Take these Annihilationists—and I will show you during the Feast, God willing, that there is no such a word as "annihilation" in the Christian vocabulary. It is ruled out altogether!

A gentleman who visited here from Australia some years ago—and he was a very good friend of mine—was an Annihilationist. I remember facing him one time, and I mopped the floor with him.

He said, "The only difference between you and me, and it is about the only thing that is keeping me out of ZION, is this: I believe a man is wholly material; that there is no immortality about him, and that when death ensues he goes into the grave and is just as though he never had been."

I said, "Listen here, my brother! God Almighty said to Adam and Eve, 'In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.' But did Adam fall over on the ground? Did Eve tumble over on the ground, and did they have to pick her up and put her in the ground? Did that happen?"

He stood there like a post and could not say a word.

I said, "My brother, death in the Bible has no such a meaning as cessation of consciousness—as becoming as though you never had been. Give me one passage of Scripture in favor of such teaching."

And he could not give me one; for there is not one.

Life, in the Word of God, simply means in *communion with God*.

This Choir has sung this afternoon, has it not? If there is a man sitting back there who is totally deaf, there was no music for him, was there? So far as he was concerned there is no existence of music here; it is just as if it is not on the face of the earth. So far as music is concerned he is dead, is he not?

Here is another person who was born blind—he never saw the face of his parents, the sky or the landscape. But they are all here and they are real to you and to me, are they not? However, so far as he is concerned, he is a dead man. He has no touch with them whatever.

And so I say that Herbert Spencer's definition, that is adopted by Drummond and by a number of writers who love God, is just about as close to the Scriptures as you could get it.

Life is Communion; Death Separation from God

You have heard me say here many times — and nobody ever told me—I have defined life here for years, as what? — COMMUNION WITH GOD! I have said that death is not a cessation of consciousness or activity; that life is communion with God, and that death is separation from God — not cessation of consciousness, nor cessation of existence, nor becoming as though you never had been.

The words "life" and "death" have no such meaning in the Scriptures.

Herbert Spencer says that life is the correspondence between organism and its surroundings; or, the "adjustment of internal relations to external relations." Now, that is just another way of saying that physical life is communion, for instance, with the music of this Choir; or it is a connection between the eye and the stars.

Doctor Dowie enunciated the same principle. In the First Volume of the LEAVES OF HEALING is one of the most beautiful addresses he ever gave. To those sitting there to be prayed with, he said, "There is not one bit of use for me to offer up prayer for you, until I can establish a connection between you and God."

Have you ever heard him say that? Have you ever heard him illustrate it by the power-house, and by the wire running into a room and by the light? That is just another way of saying that the sinner is out of connection with God or that he is not in communion with God or His environment or His surroundings, and that it is necessary to establish that connection and that correspondence before you will ever get any healing or before you will ever get any life.

Here is another thing on this question of life and death.

What did Paul say? He said, "For we know that, if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

The Mystery of Life Beyond the Comprehension of Man

I think I mentioned here Thursday evening that a man can take a needle and magnetize it and make it pick up things with which it corresponds. A man can take a horseshoe magnet, and he can take a common, ordinary pocket-knife and rub the blade against that magnet and it will pick up needles. Then again that same knife will not pick up needles, because it has become demagnetized.

A man can collect electricity out of the clouds — my! how some of you jumped when that explosion happened out here a few minutes ago, but that is nothing compared to the lightnings of God the Almighty in the Day of Judgment. I will tell you, the fire will fly in all directions and the whole earth will quake and tremble. Mountains will disappear and islands will be born, seas will be diverted out of their beds, and there will be some terrible things happen.

Now, as I said, a man can gather electricity from the clouds and from the atmosphere, and he can harness it and make it do his bidding; and then he can dispel that electricity back into the atmosphere.

However, you take a plant, and let someone devitalize it, and then let him call in others and undertake to get that life back into that plant, and they can never do it, can they?

There is one thing that looks very plain to me as I read my Bible: that God has reserved to Himself absolutely the door of life. And that man does not live who can cross it, or who can impart life. They are just as powerless today as they ever were.

So life is COMMUNION WITH GOD.

Paul says in that same chapter, that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. And in another place he said he was in a strait betwixt the two, whether it were better for him to depart and be with Christ or to remain here in the flesh.

Peter speaks of his body as a tent or a tabernacle.

Get this into your minds: Life is communion with God; death is non-communion with God. Life means connection with God, while death means separation from God. I found that definition when I was a little boy, and I have never forgotten it.

Being Carnally Minded is Death; Spiritually Minded is Life and Peace

Death is separation from God, and those who are separated from God go down into the pit. I will tell you where you will find the little shriveled, shrunken, atrophied, rotten, puny, pusillanimous spirits of men and women who have never gotten into touch with God, you will find them in HELL. It is only the men and women who develop the capacity for God who will ever have anything to do with Heaven.

I gave this illustration, I remember, long before I was twenty years old, when I was preaching. I remember one time James G. Blaine was going to pass through Fountain County, Indiana, on the Wabash Railroad. One man said to his neighbor, "My family and I are going to get up early tomorrow morning and go to Attica to see Mr. Blaine go through."

"Oh," said his neighbor, "who is this Mr. Blaine?"

"Why," this gentleman replied, "don't you know? He is the Republican candidate for president."

Why, that man did not want to go to Attica to see Mr. Blaine—he did not know who Mr. Blaine was. And so when you talk to some people about God, they do not know Who you are talking about. I have no doubt there are some here this afternoon who have no capacity for God at all—none whatever.

Let us keep this definition in mind! Life is communion with God. Life is correspondence with God.

You people who have ears got into touch with this music this afternoon, did you not? But the man who has no hearing was not in touch with it at all. That far he is dead.

"For to be carnally minded is death" — separation from God.

Oh, what a terrible state to be in! See a man walking down that aisle, beautifully dressed, a fine specimen physically, highly developed mentally, — but he is a dead man as you see him walking down the aisle.

TO BE CARNALLY MINDED IS DEATH!

Do you understand it?

It is not cessation of life or cessation of consciousness or being as though you never had been. That is not death.

The Meaning of Death not Cessation of Life, but Separation from God

The Bible says of a woman who serves the world, the flesh and the devil, that she is "dead while she liveth." Yes, you see her walking along the sidewalk in all her elegant attire, and every thought is of the world, the flesh and the devil.

Truly, as the Bible says:

"She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth."

The Bible also speaks of being *dead in trespasses and sins*.

O my brothers and sisters, what an awful thing to be DEAD as you sit here this afternoon!

Dead men!

Dead women!

Dead in trespasses and sins—not in touch with God.

I desire to say just a few words here which I intend to develop later on. Suppose I have a very large circle here, and then I have another one inside of it, and then another one inside of that. Now, inside of that inner circle I write "Animal" or "Physical Organism;" in the next one I write "Mind," or "Psychical," as Doctor Dowie used to say; and in the outer one I write "Spiritual."

Now, the rank and file are living in that inner circle. No doubt there are some in here this afternoon who have never risen one iota above that center circle. The height of their ambition is a hot soda biscuit and a cup of maple syrup. They eat to gratify a perverted appetite.

Oh, the world is full of it!

Stuffed like pigs!

Why, a lot of people eat more at one meal than they would need in three days. To gratify the appetite they will eat this and that and the other thing.

Oh, no, they would not take a drink of whisky, but they will take a bottle of pepper sauce and drink it down like an old drunkard drinks his whisky. They would not eat this, that, or the other thing, but they will take red-hot ginger and eat it; or they will burn up their stomachs with stimulants.

Talk about an abnormal appetite!

I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, I am getting some new light on a good many subjects. There is a whole lot of praying that has been done for the sick that is absolutely useless. You might just as well pray that a man who is drinking every night won't get snakes in his boots; or that God will not let the children fall into the cistern, and then leave the cover off, as to pray for some people.

There is only one way, my brother, to get that body of yours where it ought to be, and that is by getting into touch with the laws of God. That is what you have to do! Don't you know that?

"To be carnally minded is death."

Seeking Heavenly Things an Evidence of the New Birth

There are some very wonderful things here in the Bible. You have read them over and over, we have read them to you, and yet we know just about as much about them as a two year old child.

Notice!

"If ye then be risen with Christ,"—how are you going to be resurrected unless you die? There can be no resurrection without death, can there?

"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are—" where?

PEOPLE: "Above."

Yes; and that does not mean something good to eat and something good to drink; nor does it mean the gratification of the flesh or the gratification of the psychical nature.

So far as I am concerned, I would not give you the snap of my finger for the finest education in the world, if the person possessing it is not *born from above*; and I have no interest in the education of any boy or girl, man or woman, who is not a child of God.

You know, I am going to give you a few farewell sermons now, and then I am going to preach to multitudes.

Now, notice!

"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above,"—if you are not risen with Christ He does not say for you to seek the things which are above, for He knows it will be no use. If you are not risen with Christ you will live and eat

just as a pig does—you will seek the swill trough. That is as high as you will go.

"—Seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

"Set your affection on things above,—"

Not on a farm, nor on a house, nor on property. You have no right to have your affections on anything on this earth, because tonight God may say, "Thou fool, this night is thy soul required of thee. Give an account of your stewardship."

"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

"For ye are dead,"—

God demands that we live, and God demands that we die. One thing I want to discover during the Feast is how many of you have really and truly died.

"For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."

The life of a plant is a hidden thing; you cannot analyze it; you cannot tell from whence it comes; and when it goes you cannot tell where it has gone. That is true of all life.

Jesus said, speaking of men being born of the Spirit:

"The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit."

Now, listen!

The Word of God Demands to Mortify the Evil Deeds of the Body

"Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth."

There are three things the Bible demands of every one who becomes a Christian. First, that he commit suicide; second, that he mortify the deeds of the body; and third, that he place proper limitations upon legitimate things which, beyond a certain point, become a sin.

You have read this many a time, have you not?

It was Paul who said it,—and I committed those words years ago; they will revolutionize a man's life. Oh, how sweet when you look up into God's face in private worship, to be able to say, "I am crucified. I am dead to the world. I am dead to all the things that are not of God: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me." (Galatians 2:20)

Can you say that you have committed suicide?—that you are dead?

What is meant by that?

It means that when dealing with some sins, the only thing to do is to kill them in a second. To illustrate, take the sin of drunkenness or the use of tobacco. In cases of that kind the Bible demands that you commit suicide.

Here comes a poor man, a drunkard (God forbid that there should be one here, but I have seen them; I had one in my meeting last Lord's Day in Chicago), and he says, "Oh, I am an awful drunkard! I have lost my farm and all my money, and I have beaten my wife and my children, and I am a poor miserable wretch. My God, can't you give me some help, I am drunk all the time?"

You say, "My friend, next week you get drunk at nine o'clock every morning and don't drink any in the afternoon. Then the second week, you drink every other day. The third week only drink two days out of the week. After that get drunk only on Thanksgiving and Christmas, and in a year or so you will have the victory over drunkenness."

Is that the advice to give to a man like that?

The Bible demands, when dealing with habits like drunkenness and the defiling of the body with tobacco and drugs, that you cut them off, and do it in a SECOND.

What does it say here about mortification?

The Evil Tendencies of the Adamic Nature to be Mortified

You know the meaning of the word "mortification," do you not? You have been mortified, have you not? Most people have been mortified. That is the word they use, you know. It sometimes happens, at parties and in other places, that some people say things which mortify others. You know what it is—it is a figure of speech.

Here is an interesting thing: The very things that contribute to life, rather than contributing to life, are the very things that pollute and corrupt. You say that the air is conducive to life;

I say it is conducive to death. You say that the sunlight is conducive to life; I say it is the most powerful agent for corruption there is in the whole universe.

Suffice it is to say here, that the very moment all vitality is withdrawn from that plant, the very water which nourished it, rots it, does it not? And the very sun that warmed it, burns it up and corrupts it, does it not? And the same thing is true of the individual. When the individual is devitalized, then sunshine, air, heat, water, produce corruption.

The fact of the matter is that all around us, instead of there being voluminous life, there is voluminous death.

Now, *mortification*. What does it say here?

"Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth;"

And if you have not committed suicide, my brother, you are not where you ought to be. Not by any means! You go around and you drink your whisky and chew your tobacco, like a dirty skunk!

I tell you, I gave them buckshot in Chicago on tobacco. I am praying for God to enlarge my vocabulary. As soon as I get time I am going to swallow the Standard dictionary, in order that I may be able to characterize properly this dirty, stinking tobacco habit. Why, you will see women and children slowly dying of nicotine poisoning.

Ah, there are no words legitimate for a man to use that are too strong to characterize sin!

Think of a man chewing tobacco and soaking his mustache in it! Why he is dirtier than a pig's snout when it is taken out of an old swill barrel.

You dirty pig! You are worse than a pig!

I am going to strike these things as hard blows as God Almighty will give me the power to strike them.

What does it say here about mortification?

Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth;

That means death, too, but it is a slow death. The one difference between mortification and suicide is, one is slow and the other is swift.

A Christian Disposition, the Result of Life-long Training

For instance, take the temper. Some of you men and women here have tempers like the devil. All that is necessary is to cross you, and you are ready to fight.

Now, mortification applies to a sin like that—to something you cannot get rid of in a minute because it is ever with you; and it refers more to the organism than to the environment.

On the other hand, when it comes to whisky, that is simply an object which, when you get where it is, is something you can handle and pick up. But the temper is a sin on the inside.

Another thing about the temper, you never know when you are going to be hit. You go up town, and something comes up and you fly all to pieces and snap and storm around; or you are going around home and something doesn't go to suit you, and—did you ever hear a woman curse a dishpan? You women say, "We do not swear!" Well, I will warrant you there are some of you women who do not swear, no, you would not take the Name of God in vain, but you will say, "Oh, goodie!" which is just the same. I heard a man curse a plow in the field once for fifteen minutes. He called it everything he could lay his tongue to. When he got through I said, "Do you think that plow will scour any better now?" He was cursing it because it would not scour, but if he had gotten a brick-bat and rubbed it, it would have scoured all right.

Now, we are told here to mortify the deeds of the body.

What does it say?

"But now ye also put off all these; anger—

Do you not know, one of the most priceless possessions that any man or woman can have is a Christian disposition—self-control—a sweet spirit that is never ruffled no matter what the provocation. Do you not know that?

When I come up suddenly and see a couple of deacons,— "You're a liar!" "And you're another one!"—I think there is need for some mortification there. I have seen that.

And it is just as bad to hear a woman at the telephone, saying, "I'll give you a piece of my mind! Don't you call me that again—I am no thief!" I heard that one day, too. I hear lots of things.

Well now, if you do not mortify those deacons and mortify that woman, there will be trouble in the Church.

But now ye also put off these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

There are a lot of you people who put off the *old man* like some people put off their clothes—you put him off one day and put him on the next.

You know, there are some people who make gifts to God, and then they come around the next week, and say, "I would like to have that back." And I have had people write to me and say, "I paid ten dollars tithes last January and I would be very much obliged if you would refund it to me."

Well, in such cases there is nothing doing, my brothers and sisters. You paid that to God, did you not? You did not pay it to Voliva. And I have no right to take God's property and give it to John Jones; and I am not going to do it, either.

These are wonderful selections of scripture.

Limitations to be Placed upon Things not Evil in Themselves

Now, there is yet another process. For instance, there are certain things that are not sinful except when you reach a certain point; then when you get to that point you have to place limitations on them and go no further. If you do go further, you are a sinner.

One of those things is money. Money is not an evil *per se*—an evil of itself. We say of a certain game,—take card playing, a deck of cards—that it is an evil *per se*; there is nothing good in it; it is an evil within itself. This is not true of money. Money is a medium of exchange. They used to use beads among the Indians. In place of bills, and gold and silver coin, they used to use wheat and bark. Money is nothing but a medium of exchange, that is all; and it is a necessity. But when you reach a certain point, money becomes the greatest curse there is on the face of the earth. It seems to me that money has more people within its grasp than most anything on the face of the earth.

Why, you would be astonished if you had compiled all that the Bible says about money, the abuse of money, and trusting in riches.

What happens to the man who will be rich?

The love of money is one of the worst forms of idolatry; and covetousness is one of the worst sins in the catalog.

I want to tell you this afternoon, I would not be in the shoes of some people who call themselves Christians, if you would give me a deed to the State of Illinois!

No, I would not!

I would be ashamed to look up to my God and Father and have to say that money had any hold on me. I care for none of these things, Lord; and I would just as soon have a screw in my pocket as a twenty-dollar gold piece, if I could not take it and do some good with it.

Yes, I would!

I will obey literally what the Bible says; and, of course I am a fool. Well, we will see who is the fool when the Day of Judgment comes.

Christ said, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth." If people want to do it, that is their privilege. I do not propose to do it! I will take the Bible every time.

The Capacity for God and Heaven Must be Developed Now

Now, you can illustrate it this way: Suppose tomorrow night I invite in a very fine violinist and four or five very fine singers. I also invite certain people to be present. A half-a-dozen of them are bored to death—they sigh and stretch and pine, and, oh, what a bore it is to them! Why they do not like it; they do not want to have anything to do with it. It is horrible! They want to get out. Now, there are some others there who are just carried away with it.

What is the difference?

The first number have no capacity for music, having never developed any. God gave them the capacity, but they never developed it and it is an atrophied, shrunken, shriveled, little rotten old thing.

You might take some people out of this tabernacle and take them up to Heaven, and they would not stay there over night. Why, it would be the worst bore to them! Every time they saw an angel flying around it would make them writhe and twist in anguish; they have no capacity for angels. Some people have

more capacity for an old pipe than for an angel. They would not want to see Jesus, either. They would be miserable.

The Bible says that when the Sixth Seal is opened and the heavens roll together as a scroll, the kings and queens and the rulers and the rich will pray, "Rocks and mountains on us fall, to hide us from the face of God!"

You have to develop the capacity for God.

When God created you in His image He gave you an immortal spirit. Somebody says, "What is it?" I do not know. "Can you see it?" No; but I will tell you one thing, I know the immortal spirit can see.

Heaven is not a desert, nor an iceberg, but it is replete with life and beauty that transcend all powers of description.

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall—" what?

PEOPLE: "See God."

Yes!

I desire to correct one statement I have made on this platform a number of times, for I see now that it is not correct. I have changed my views. Of course, I have to learn as I go along, because I am wading into pretty deep waters and I am going to work out, by the grace of God, every one of these propositions; and I believe I am in a fair way to do it.

The Function of Sight, Hearing and Taste Belong to the Spiritual as well as Natural Man

Now, I have said here that it is the immortal spirit that sees, and not the eye; that hears, and not the ear. But that is not correct. All that this eye sees is just what the eye of a horse sees; it is a physical organ and belongs to this physical organism. The spirit has eyes, but they are not these eyes. These eyes never saw God, nor never will; but the spirit has eyes that can see God, and the channel is purity of heart. Some people, all they ever see is snakes and hobgoblins and horrible things, because they serve the devil and live in the lower realm; but the pure in heart see God.

Then there is another thing, that spirit has taste. From the time I was a child I have meditated upon that verse in the 34th Psalm:

O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man who trusteth in Him.

There is a spiritual taste, and there is also a spiritual ear, that hears the voice of God; and God talks to the spirit. While you may never have heard the voice of God, yet this afternoon I have no doubt that the Spirit of God is speaking to some.

Spiritual vision, spiritual taste, spiritual hearing, and the capacity for DIVINE LOVE. I tell you, you know nothing about love unless you are BORN OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD. And that is the reason why we have hell on this earth; the love that exists between most men and women who have stood up and had a ceremony performed, is not one whit above the love of the animal creation. And while I am sorry to say it (for you have violated the law of God), I have no doubt but that there are some men and women here this afternoon between whom there is no more genuine love than there is between a dog and its mate, or between a bird and its mate in the branch of the tree. Men and women know nothing about love born of God until they are "born again."

I tell you we have some parents in ZION who never learn anything, and they will pay the penalty. I have to say to mothers, "What is the use for me to see that daughter of yours? She has no sense, there is nothing there to work on. What is the use to talk to her? There is no use. Let her go on and marry that scoundrel and let her drink the cup to its last dregs, and maybe when she has gone to hell she will get some sense."

Now, the spirit has all these senses and capacities.

I say a man's capacity for God has elastic walls—contractile walls.

The Capacity for the Infilling of the Holy Spirit Must be Enlarged

You say, "Brother, have you been filled with the Holy Spirit and baptized with the Holy Spirit?" That is a figurative expression taken from water baptism to describe the coming of the Holy Ghost upon a man and into his life, controlling him physically, mentally, and spiritually,—controlling his hands, his feet, his tongue, his appetite, his whole being for God.

And you heard me say that I expect to have more room for the Holy Spirit next week than I have this week; and so I do. I expect to have more room for God in the Feast of Tabernacles than I have this afternoon.

Why, when God comes in as your Guest, can you confine Him within the four walls of a little room? No!

"Let us make man in Our image," God said, and he has an infinite capacity. As you grow unconsciously and go forward in the Christian life, you expand, and you are filled more and more with the Spirit of God and with God; and all the powers of Heaven are yours and are at your command. That is the teaching of the Word of God.

Now, listen!

Elder Harwood meets a certain man, and he discerns in that man that he is living absolutely on the lower plain—he cannot read, he cannot write, he has only six words in his vocabulary and he mispronounces five of them. He is scarcely one whit above the level of a hog.

Now then, do you say that that man can, of his own volition, or from any power within him, lift himself up into the psychical realm? I say he cannot; and I say he will never do it unless Elder Harwood starts to talk to him. Elder Harwood belongs in the upper realm and he must reach down and touch that man.

That may be illustrated this way: Here is a stone which belongs to the inorganic world, and has no life. The only growth a stone has is when the wind blows it around and there are certain accretions. But up yonder is a tree, and that tree sends its roots down and they entwine that stone and extract from it the chemical elements that are there, and soon that stone passes out of the inorganic up into the organic; but it could never lift itself out of the inorganic up into the tree.

Notice this point!

Elder Harwood touches that man and plants within him the desire to learn to read, and then teaches him to read. The man then gets a desire to learn to write, and Elder Harwood teaches him to write. And the first thing you know that man can write and he can read and he is reading good books and expanding mentally, and he is living in the *psychical* world.

Now, how is he going to get up into the spiritual world?

No one by Self Effort can be Born into God's Kingdom

You know, the popular teaching is, by the preachers, the philosophers, and the so-called scientists, that one does not need to be converted. They leave out conversion. They tell people they can lift themselves up by their own boot-straps.

Then there is this damnable Christian Science teaching that you can SAVE YOURSELF—although, of course, you do not need any salvation, for the simple reason that "man was, is, and ever shall be perfect."

That is an infernal lie!

In every man there is a principle that starts him toward hell. The rank and file of men drift right down the road to hell; because in every man there is a principle of retrogression. You know there is. Of course, there is!

Why, a little baby will pull the hair off the top of your head if he gets a chance, will he not? Sure! He will gouge your eyes out, too, will he not? Sure! There that principle asserts itself.

Why will people lie before they will tell the truth?

Why are they impure before they are pure?

Why will they lie around on the Lord's Day and do all sorts of things before they will do what they should?

It all simply goes to show that man is conceived in iniquity and born in sin. I want to tell you, I would rather *die*, than to vary from the grand, old path set out in the Word of God.

Every man and woman is depraved until they are born from above. The Word is true, when it says that *the natural man cannot receive the things of God*.

That is what makes these so-called scientists and philosophers mad. They say, "I am a professor in Oxford," or, "I am a professor in Cambridge, and the idea for a little upstart like you to come around and say I have to be born again! I want you to know I do not need to be born again—I am highly intellectual, highly cultured, and as time goes on I will just gradually be lifted right up and up and up."

Yes, and you may give him all Eternity to lift himself up and he will be nothing but a hog when he gets there.

Do you see the point?

The People Must be Awakened by the Need of the Gospel

God helping me, I am going to smite, everywhere my voice can reach, the infernal lie that you can become a Christian without

conversion! I am going to smite the lie that you can be saved without Christ; because you cannot do it.

Now then, Elder Harwood begins to talk to that man after he is up in the psychical world, and he says to him, "My God, man, don't you know you are a sinner in the sight of God?" He bows his head. "I want to tell you that God loves you—"

"What did you say?" the man asks.

"God your Heavenly Father loves you, and Jesus the Christ died for you."

And so he talks to him, gives him the Word of God, and finally that man says, "I will turn to God." That is conversion; it comes in a second. Birth is spontaneous.

I will tell you another fine point to work out: What is the difference between the conscious moment of birth and the real moment of birth? You can readily see that in the spiritual life the real moment of birth is not the conscious moment necessarily. A man can be born of the Spirit and not be able to tell the exact minute or place. Paul could do it, and there are hundreds who can do it—who can say, "I was touched by the Spirit of God at half-past three yesterday in Shiloh Tabernacle, and I gave my heart to God."

That is conversion, see?

There is no Christianity Without Conversion, and There is no Salvation Without a Savior

I tell you, while we cannot define all these things, the more you read the Word of God, in the right Spirit, the more you will appreciate God and the nearer and dearer Christ will become; and then you can sing from the heart, "O HOW I LOVE JESUS!" (Conductor Thomas then sang the chorus of the hymn—"O HOW I LOVE JESUS!")

O, how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me.

After you have been born of the Spirit of God and have received forgiveness of your sins, then comes in the text I read to you in Hebrews: "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation—?"

Oh, I could weep tears of blood over some of you this afternoon, for you have neglected the GREAT SALVATION. You know it. And your spirit has shriveled and your capacity for God has been dwarfed. Where once you loved to commune with God, now you would rather go to a theater; where once you feasted on the Word of God, now you would rather read a trashy novel; where once you could not be kept from the house of God, now it is no trouble at all for you to stay at home—for your spirit has shrunk.

My brothers and sisters, there are some of you who are on mighty dangerous ground. I warn you this afternoon as though this were to be my last warning; and, I will tell you, before very much longer the last warning will have been given, because after a while very little of my time will be spent in Shiloh Tabernacle.

Ah, you have seen the arm shrunk, shriveled, useless, hanging by the side, have you not? That is the condition of some spirits here this afternoon.

You ask me, "Can a man lose all capacity for God?"

I believe he can! I believe he can.

I will never forget a certain man in Melbourne who used to come to my meetings, and who sat relative to where Deacon Hart sits. His wife and daughter came into ZION and persuaded him to come to the meetings. At first he trembled as he sat under the preaching, but in a few months he said to his wife, "Well, Voliva's preaching used to make me tremble, but now I can sit and listen to it and it does not affect me at all." The next Sunday I said, "You poor, wretched man, to think that you should have become so numb and so senseless and so dead that you do not feel the strivings of God's Spirit any more!"

Is that the condition of some here this afternoon?

Did you ever see a man who had been injured lying on a table, and see them cut off a member of his body without his flinching, because it was dead and senseless?

Is that your condition this afternoon?

Neglect of the Great Salvation, Causes the Loss of Eternal Life

Will you go out of this tabernacle and say, "I do not care what he says! I am not doing anything very bad! I pay my tithes and stay at home at night. I do not care what he says!"

Ah, my brother, my sister, "HOW SHALL WE ESCAPE, IF WE NEGLECT SO GREAT SALVATION?"

And you are doing it. You are doing nothing! All you have to do to reap nothing is to sow nothing, is not that true? It is true of a farm, is it not? If you let your field lie without grain you will get no crop, will you? But you will have weeds growing there.

What is growing in your spirit?

Bear in mind that if you do not have certain good, pure, honorable things there, you will have the opposite.

Here is a person who says, "I would not mind to be a member of ZION if I could go to dances and theaters."

Well, I do not want you! If you want dances and theaters what you need is conversion; and when you are converted you will never talk like that again. That is the plain Word of God.

Listen! Did you ever see a mole? What happens to a mole? They lose their eyes, do they not? They live in the ground and burrow in the dark and lose their eyes.

Now, it seems that everywhere in this world, disuse, non-use and abuse of any talent will bring the severest penalties. Let me repeat again—the ABUSE of a talent, the NON-USE of a talent, and the DISUSE of a talent.

Because the mole elects to dwell in darkness, God has executed the penalty that it lose its eyes. Are there some of you here who once saw God who are now totally blind? You do not need to tell me so, I know it! Once you saw God, but you have chosen to dwell in darkness and to keep yourself away from the Heavenly things and now you are as blind as a bat—you cannot see God at all.

What a terrible condition to be in!

One writer, in writing of the fish in the Mammoth Cave, said that when he first took up a specimen he thought, "What beautiful eyes!" He took a scalpel and started to work on those eyes, and as soon as he touched what looked like an eye it dropped off; it was just a lifeless eye—behind it was a mass of ruins and the optic nerve was a shrunk, atrophied, insensate thread.

What has Nature done? Those fish have elected to dwell in the darkness of the Mammoth Cave, in what is called the Stygian waters, and Nature has made them pay the penalty.

The Neglect of any Function of Life is Followed by a Corresponding Penalty

What did Jesus mean when He said, "*And he that hath not from him shall be taken even that which he hath?*"

What a terrible thing that is! It is enough to make every man and woman here tremble as they listen to it. Oh, what a terrible thing!

There are other illustrations that could be given from nature. I have given you two of them. The mole burrows and dwells in darkness, and, having no use for eyes, Nature says, "Give them up!" and the mole has to do it. The fish in the Mammoth Cave dwell in darkness and Nature says, "I will take away what you have!"

Oh, think of it! Men who once saw God, they have lost their spiritual hearing! Men and women who once tasted of God, have lost their spiritual taste and they are now cast into outer darkness.

Is that your condition, brother?

Is that your condition, sister?

"AND HE THAT HATH NOT FROM HIM SHALL BE TAKEN EVEN THAT WHICH HE HATH." (Mark 4:25)

There is one other point I wish to give you. Do you remember what the Bible says, that if a man keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he shall be guilty of—what?

PEOPLE: "Of all."

Think of it!

What does it mean?

Now listen! I mentioned this in conference yesterday morning, but I do not know whether they saw the point or not. I told you a while ago that a man who was deaf was deaf to that music, did I not? I told you that a man who was blind was dead to the flowers and the trees and the grass and the mountains and the oceans, did I not? Well, suppose that continues until all the physical organism has been affected? As the different parts of the organism fall out of use, like the eyes and the ears, that man is dying right along, is he not? and when the last one falls out of use he is a dead man. But let me ask you this question: If a man gets disease of the heart, that is enough to

kill him, is it not? He does not need to have blindness and deafness and all the rest of it; that is enough to kill him, because it is a VITAL ORGAN.

That is what God Almighty meant when He said:

"For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in ONE POINT, he is GUILTY OF ALL." (James 2:10)

Every point is absolutely vital, just as the heart is to this organism.

The lungs are vital organs, too. That is the reason why God gave us two lungs.

Did you ever stop to ask why God gave us two eyes and two ears, and two lungs, etc? But he did not give us two tongues, did he? No, he was too wise. One tongue is bad enough.

God gave us two eyes so that if we lose one we have one left; two ears, so that if we lose one we have one left. You can lose one lung and still live. There are people living who have only one lung. But let spinal meningitis take hold of you and you are dead to all things.

You think of these things.

Important Passages of Scripture Directed Against the Indifferent

I have read this Bible and studied it. I read the New Testament through five times when I was a little child; and at one time I recited over five hundred verses from memory for the first Bible prize I ever had. And yet when I read such verses as these:

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"

"Whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath."

"Whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in ONE POINT, he is guilty of all."

"For to be carnally minded is death."

"—Dead in trespasses and sins."

"The wages of sin is death—"

I am reminded of that actress who made a death-bed statement which was printed in all the papers. She had won her fame on the stage—which is an annex of hell, she had drunk her wine, and she had lived the life of a libertine. As Death approached she wrote the statement which appeared in the papers. She said, "I can testify that what I heard when I was a little child is true—'The wages of sin is death.' I know I have to die."

Yes, "The wages of sin is DEATH."

O death!

Why, the falling over of this body lifeless, that is nothing. And yet that is all some people fear. But the death the Bible speaks about, that is the terrible thing.

"THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH!"

Somebody says, "Do you believe in a literal fire in hell?"

No! I believe in a fire that is ten times hotter than any fire you ever saw. I believe in God's consuming fire! I believe in the fire that is kindled by the mixture of the symbols of oil and of air and of water—the hottest fire that is known, kindled by the symbols of the Holy Ghost. Get away from the literal! I tell you, that is worse than any literal fire of brimstone.

My brothers and sisters, I desire to finish by reading just a few verses. I am tired, too, but it is all right. I tell you, something has got to be done to shake some people up, and I want, by the grace of God to do my duty. You see, I have not been here for five weeks, and it is my desire to give you something when I do come that you will never forget. May God Almighty grant it!

The most foolish thing a man or a woman ever did is to live a half-hearted Christian life. The sweetest thing on earth is self-denial and self-sacrifice—living for others. That is the way to really live, for you get all the sweets of this life and of the spiritual life, too.

I desire to read in Romans the 8th chapter.

You know, I live with my Bible. I live in communion with God. If I did not I would not be able to come up here and give out anything. You cannot give out a thing until you get it yourself.

Death Can only be Overcome by the Law of Life Through Christ Jesus

The 5th verse:

For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the

flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

For to be carnally minded is death (which means to be cut off from God); but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Some people say, "I am not under law; I am under Grace." Well, we are all under law! We are under every law of God. The law of sin and death operates in everybody; and, thanks be unto God, the law of life of the Spirit of God operates. The principle to break down and to drive out the principle of death is the principle of SALVATION, which is the gift of God through Jesus the Christ our Lord.

"So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God."

It does not matter to me whether I please anybody else or not. I have had people come to me and say, "If you did not preach the way you do the people would think more of you." Well now, it is nothing to me what they think! All I care about is whether I am pleasing my God and Father.

But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

Did you notice that?

And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

But if the Spirit of Him Who raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Thank God for those wonderful words! But there are very few people who are living according to them. If this afternoon every one of you would say, "I will pay the price right now," and if you would sing from the heart, "All to Jesus I surrender," then you would not need to keep me around here toiling day and night to build ZION CITY.

Why, on the Day of Pentecost, when the people received the Spirit of the Living God, the money just flowed in to start the first Christian community; and, I will tell you, that will be true in ZION.

Here is one thought: If you and I—I will put myself in, too, God knows all about it—had done what God commanded, this afternoon there would not be in ZION CITY a drug store, nor a doctor's office, nor a tobacco shop, nor anyone of these things; but God has permitted them to come for a purpose, and they will not disappear until you and I do the work God Almighty demands.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, do not be so conceited and so self-secure! Do not sit there and think, "Oh, well, I am going to Heaven." On what do you base your hope, brothers and sisters? Is it not a delusion? Is it not simply a dream? On what do you base your hope? Why do you expect to go to Heaven?

The Christian as the Lark to Press into Heaven's Sunlight through Fog and Twilight

Ah, some of you are like the lark that soars out in the morning. At first he beats his breast against the dense fog, and then as he presses forward finally he strikes the dim twilight, and after a time he goes forth and strikes the full, glad sunlight.

And so it is with some of you in ZION, you have risen up out of the apostasy and struck the fog, and some of you are not out of the fog yet. There are others who are in the twilight and it is an ominous twilight; but over yonder is the full morning—the glorious sunlight of the Sun of Righteousness, and if we will only press forward at last we will come to that sunlight and we will join in the glorious Song of the Lamb.

My brothers and sisters, you must go FORWARD! Do not sit still! Get above the mere physical world and the psychical world into the *spiritual* world, where you will be in touch with things divine and pure, with God Himself, and then you will have some power.

Listen! There are some of you people who have never made any advancement at all; you are just where you were fifteen years ago. When you first came to ZION you were sick and you wanted to get well. That is the reason you became interested. You went to Chicago and John Alexander Dowie pounded you for a long while. It may be that he ordered you out of the room. I have seen him do it.

I remember a certain woman who had been brought there from New York. He said to her, "Will you do what I tell you?"

She said, "I will do what the Lord tells me."

He said, "Take her out! I have no time to pray with her!"

However, you listened to the teaching and God in His great love and mercy raised you up from threatened death; and you have never gone an inch beyond that. You have been standing like a dumb sentinel over skeletons ever since. What a foolish thing to do!

Brother, have you an issue?

If you have, what is it?

Zion Challenges the Most Important Issues before the World

Why, a Christian has *living issues*! A Christian is in battle! I am not going to wait for the enemies of righteousness to challenge me to battle; I propose, as a soldier of the King, to put on the armor of God and go forth and give battle to the devil and all his hosts.

A man will die without an issue! A nation will perish without an issue! A political party will perish without an issue! You will remember very well, I have given it here before, that there was once a time in the United States of America when there was a line drawn. You know what it was. It was called Mason and Dixon's line. At that time every southern man in the North crossed it to the South, and every northern man in the South crossed it to the North. An issue was made, and the battle was fought, and the victory was won. Then it is that the crown is received.

I will tell you, as men and women in ZION, we must have LIVING ISSUES! We have no place for any dead men and women around here! And I will tell you, if you do not heed this sermon and get right with God, I am going to instruct these officers to arrange for your funeral, and I will have them bury you and get you out of sight. Do you understand?

Somebody says, "Well, that is pretty hard. Here I came into ZION fifteen years ago, and I have been to meeting once or twice a month ever since, and I have done this and that."

Ah, the question is whether you are a CHRISTIAN or not.

Look here, shall I go on and give you another sermon?

Oh, the Church of the Living God!

You know, I wonder what my part is at this time?

Near the close of the Fifteenth Century, in the ruins of the buried City of Antium, there was a company of men who were making excavations. One day they found what proved to be the Apollo Belvedere, a piece of statuary that now stands on a pedestal in the Vatican in Rome, considered one of the most magnificent monuments to the genius of man. When they excavated that rare piece of art, they simply gently removed the debris. They were very careful not to touch its individually or its originality: for it must not be marred by the hand of man; it must remain its own model. And it has stood all these years since then on a pedestal in the Vatican in Rome, where it has been admired by hundreds of thousands in all the world, and it has been the model for the world's foremost sculptors and admirers of art. Cruel hands had seized this wonderful piece of statuary and hurled it down into the earth where for a long period of years the debris had piled upon it, until it was buried out of sight and no one knew where it was.

The Original Model of the Kingdom Replaced upon the Corner Stone Christ Jesus by John Alex. Dowie

I was thinking today of the ministry of John Alexander Dowie.

You know, the periods of the Church may be divided into—the Apostolic period: the Dark Ages: the Reformation; and, thank God, the most glorious time of all, the Times of Restoration of All Things.

God the Almighty, by His own Divine and Loving Hand, carved out the model and put it on the Chief Corner Stone, which was Jesus the Christ, His Only Begotten Son. That was the Church of the Living God, with all of the officers thoroughly organized. But the Dark Ages engulfed the world, and the Church was torn by ruthless, wicked hands from the Corner Stone and hurled down to the earth, where it was buried for a thousand years in the rubbish of ecclesiastical thought; until at last the first streak shot athwart the sky, signifying the return of Light, when Luther and Huss and Latimer and others delved into God's mine of eternal truth and sought and rediscovered the

model; and at last they were rewarded with some success.

However, unlike the men who found the Apollo Belvedere, they sat down and each one said, "I will carve out a little place here, and I will put in my creed." And soon the Church was streaked with decrees, with confessions of faith, with edicts and doctrines; so that when the last darkness of that awful period of the world's history was dispelled, the Church appeared once more, but it was streaked with human dogmas and decrees and edicts and confessions of faith until no one could recognize any resemblance to the original model.

At last God's clock struck the hour and John Alexander Dowie, with the spirit and power of Elijah, was sent to introduce the Times of Restoration of All Things; and he enunciated all the glorious principles of THE KINGDOM and rediscovered the original model and put it back on the Chief Corner Stone, Jesus the Christ. May God help ZION to go forward until that Church is without spot or wrinkle, ready to welcome the coming King!

My brothers and sisters, I am a little impatient. I have a right to be. The world needs my ministry more than you do, and why should I be tied down here?

Every Life and Talent upon the Altar for the Building up of Zion City

Are you ready to build ZION CITY?

Are you ready to a man to put your lives and your all on the altar for one city for God? Are you ready to get every dollar in here and put it to work to build a ZION CITY?

Are you ready?

Listen to this illustration:

You know, it is said that the nightingale is the sweetest of all bird songsters. But it is a well known fact that the nightingale never strikes her highest note until, in the stillness and darkness of the midnight hour, she leans her breast against a thorn; and as that thorn pierces her vitals and the deepest and richest depths of her nature are touched, then it is that she sends floating out upon the midnight air her highest and shrillest and sweetest note.

I tell you this afternoon, ZION, if you do not move quickly, and put every life and every dollar and every talent on the altar for God, God will permit a tobacco shop and a drug store and evils of various kinds to crush you down to earth; and then, perhaps, out of a baptism of blood, you will rise to build ZION CITY, pure and wonderful, that you should build now.

So this afternoon, my brothers and sisters, soldiers of Christ, put on the armor and AWAY TO THE FIGHT! Do not lose any time! Let us cry, "How much longer shall the devil flaunt his insolent banner in the face of God's children?"

Come, ZION, let us CONQUER or let us die!

The hymn—"I SURRENDER ALL"—was then sung.

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.

CHORUS—

I surrender all;
All to Thee my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Humbly at His feet I bow;
Worldly pleasures all forsaken,
Take me, Jesus, take me now.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that Thou art mine.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I gave myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Now I feel the sacred flame,
Oh, the joy of full salvation!
Glory, glory to His Name!

GENERAL OVERSEER: My brothers and sisters, if you are not ready to make a full consecration today, what more do you want said? Do you want me to literally drop dead on this platform in order to get you to make a full surrender? It would be

easier to die outright than to die as I have this afternoon. I have poured out my heart's blood that you might get to God and be ready for the coming of the King.

Now, while we sing this next hymn are there not others here who are ready to take their stand and give their hearts to God? What is the use to fool around until you are smitten down by the hand of Death? It will be too late then.

Please sing the hymn—"WHY NOT NOW?"

While we pray, and while we plead,
While you see your soul's deep need,
While your Father calls you home,
Will you not, my brother, come?

CHORUS—

Why not now? Why not now?
Why not come to Jesus now?

You have wandered far away,
Do not risk another day;
Do not turn from God your face,
But today accept His grace.

In the world you've fall'd to find
Aught of peace for troubled mind;
Come to Christ, on Him believe,
Peace and joy you shall receive.

Come to Christ, confession make;
Come to Christ and pardon take;
Trust in Him from day to day,
He will keep you all the way.

After the Right-Hand of Fellowship had been extended to new members and the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper had been observed, the CHOIR marched out, singing in RECESSIONAL: "FADING, STILL FADING, THE LAST BEAM IS SHINING."

Fading, still fading, the last beam is shining;
Father, in Heaven, the Day is declining.
Safety and innocence fly with the light,
Temptation and danger walk forth with the night.
From the fall of the shade till the morning bells chime,
Shield me from danger, save me from crime.

REFRAIN—

Father, have mercy, Father, have mercy,
Father, have mercy, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord.

Father in Heaven, oh, hear when we call;
Hear, for Christ's sake, Who is Savior of all.
Feeble and fainting, we trust in Thy might;
In doubting and darkness, Thy love be our light.
Let us sleep on Thy breast when the night-taper burns.
Wake in Thy arms when morning returns.

The GENERAL OVERSEER then pronounced the

B E N E D I C T I O N

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus the Christ, the Love of God the Father, and the Sweet Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you one and all, now and for evermore. Amen.

GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

(Continued from page 362)

God wonderfully healed him and quickly restored him to perfect health and strength, for which I thank God.

I thank God that He has kept me so well and strong since He healed me in 1911 of a bad skin disease. I have been a member of ZION for five years and have lived in ZION CITY since July 3, 1912. I love ZION CITY and ZION's work.

I pray that God will bless ZION's work everywhere.

Praying for His blessings upon you as General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, I remain

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. GEORGIA CROW-MOLE.

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Program

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

SHILOH TABERNACLE

Zion City, Illinois

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

6:00 A. M.

Early Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Prayer.

Eighth Twenty-Minute Address by the General Overseer.

3:00 P. M.

City Festal Day.

Program will be announced later.

LORD'S DAY, JULY 16TH

9:00 A. M.

Zion Bible School.

2:30 P. M.

GREAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Processional

Junior White-Robed Choir

Senior White-Robed Choir

Robed Officers

Uniformed Guards

Address by the General Overseer.

Sacrificial Offering.

Right Hand of Fellowship to New Members.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be administered by the General Overseer and ordained officers of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion. This gathering will be open only to members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and other Christians desiring to commune with them. At the close, the General Overseer will deliver the closing Address of the Feast.

8:00 P. M.

CANTATA BETHANY

Wm. ApMadoc.....W. Rhys-Herbert
Semi-Chorus from Zion White-Robed Choir.

Consecration of Little Children to God

INVOCATION: Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and truly blessed, in the Name of Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, unto all present, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, this is a sight to rejoice the heart of any man, and I thank God that He ever put it into the heart of his servant, John Alexander Dowie, the founder, under Him, of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, to recognize in the light of God's Word, the New Testament, the proper service for the little children born in ZION.

It does not require very keen foresight to discern what this children's consecration service means for the coming generations. It is easy to recognize in it one of the most important steps toward a royal generation, a generation conceived in prayer instead of in sin; born in righteousness instead of in iniquity; having a glorious and advantageous start in life instead of an adverse and iniquitous one, as is true today, for the most part, of the children that come into this world.

I have prayed, and I am still praying, that during this Feast the curtain may be lifted and that thousands may be given a true vision of ZION and made to realize something of what all this means. What we see in Shiloh Tabernacle on this Lord's Day morning, July 9, 1916, is not the result of chance. It has not merely happened so. It is not the creation of any genius. It is the work of God, the fulfillment of prophecy.

No more glorious sight can be found anywhere upon the face of God's green earth. However enchanting and interesting the various scenes in hand, there is nothing to be compared with this sea of faces—these babes in mothers' arms, these children in the primary division, the various divisions in this Bible School, the youths and the maidens, and also the middle aged, and those who are rapidly approaching the hour when they will cross over the river and receive their reward.

This scene cannot be duplicated anywhere else on this earth. May God help you to realize the absolute correctness of this statement. Here are children born of parents born in ZION, who have never known anything else but to trust in God. Here is a company of children whose blood has not been inoculated in accordance with the filthy inventions of man, with the polluting virus of one kind and another.

And so I might talk on, if time would permit, for hours. This is an inspiring subject. I pray God that He may help you to realize that ZION assembles here today in a concrete form, no longer a theory, but a fact with which the world will have to reckon. As I stand here I am confronted by a nation already formed, developing, rising, and, in accordance with prophecy, in God's own time to foreshadow, to supplant, and to dominate all of the remnants of all of the nations referred to in the 14th Chapter of Zechariah; and this nation, this people will march forth to do a work such as has never been done at any other period of the world's history.

It would indeed be a dull intellect and a hard heart that could not grow eloquent with such a subject as this. You will find some very striking passages bearing upon children in the Gospel according to St. Matthew, and also in other parts of the New Testament. There are some very interesting things in connection with the old time custom among the Jews in the training of their children. Even the very names had a Divine significance; even the very garments which they wore; in the number of tassels, and in the number of knots tied, gave to them the number of the precepts in the Mosaic law. The Hebrew child was trained thoroughly by everything with which he came in contact. He knew the law of God.

You parents who are here this morning to present children for consecration bear a very great responsibility. You who present these children, as you look up into the face of your Father in Heaven must be able to say that, so far as you know your own hearts, you are not covering up sin or regarding iniquity; that you have repented of your sins; that to the utmost extent of your knowledge and ability you have made right the wrongs of your lives; that you are conscious of salvation through faith in Jesus the Christ; that you have a family altar;

that you show your gratitude to God by returning thanks at the table for His bounties; that you have, in a measure, conquered the tendencies of the flesh, and that you are going on to perfection, being sanctified daily. It is for you to make this service a reality and not a farce. God has His arms outstretched to ZION. You can put these children into His care and keeping and He will watch over them by day and by night. He will preserve them. He will spare them and they will be trained up in His nurture and admonition.

May God bless this service, and may God bless this entire company. My desire is to see you all in the ark of safety, and at last, without the loss of a single one, all enter within the gate into that beautiful city above. May God grant it, is my earnest prayer.

Let the parents come upon the platform, please.

It will make this service more interesting when I tell you that we have had a consecration service for children, I think every month, and yet, notwithstanding this, you see the large company on this platform today. My heart rejoices. I thank God with all my heart, and if I had time I would like to say some very important things, but I will have to defer until some other time.

Just listen for a minute, ZION, and the matter upon which I am about to touch is one of the most sacred—motherhood. Contrast ZION persons with the world. Thousands of mothers are slaughtered to the medical Moloch. In the *Chicago Tribune*, in an article written by Dr. John B. Murphy, the so-called great surgeon of Chicago, he stated that during the year 1915, 33-1/3 per cent. of all prospective mothers in the hands of the doctors died—lost their lives, and that there were 15,000 mothers who died from blood-poisoning. Now I think, and Deacon La Rose, head of the board of Health in ZION CITY, can correct me if I am not correct—because I have not taken any time to go into this carefully, I am giving it from memory—but in the whole ten years that I have been in ZION CITY I do not know of but three women who have died in childbirth, and I do not know that you could really put these three down as legitimate cases, and I say that this is a marvelous record.

The solution of all difficulties is consecration to God. Thank God for ZION! May God bless these children and bless the parents. They are all sweet little children, everyone of them.

I wish that you could pass around here and observe these children. You look at all of these children. One of the remarkable showings made is, you do not see—at least I cannot see any just now—I do not see a child here that has a pimple on its face. I am looking at these primaries. Take a crowd of children outside of ZION and you will observe that their faces are broken out with sores and pimples and humors and scrofula. At the present time there is a terrible wave of spinal meningitis sweeping over the cities. What is at the bottom of it? Tobacco and whisky and drugs. You cannot expect anything else when children are begotten of tobacco, whisky and drug soaked fathers, and born of mothers who are nervous wrecks. May God help you to realize the heritage in ZION, and help us to make it more and more a great object lesson to the world.

After delivering the above address, the General Overseer consecrated the following-named children to God:

Booth, Charles James	Knepper, Ethel Lucille
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Booth, Margaret Edna Mae	Luke, Gladys Aileen
Booth, Paul Victor	Lumberg, Dorothy Marion
Boyd, Leburn	Metzler, Evangeline Lois
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Hardy, Albert Frederick	Walker, John Edward
Hardy, Elmyra Martha	West, Margaret Elizabeth
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ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

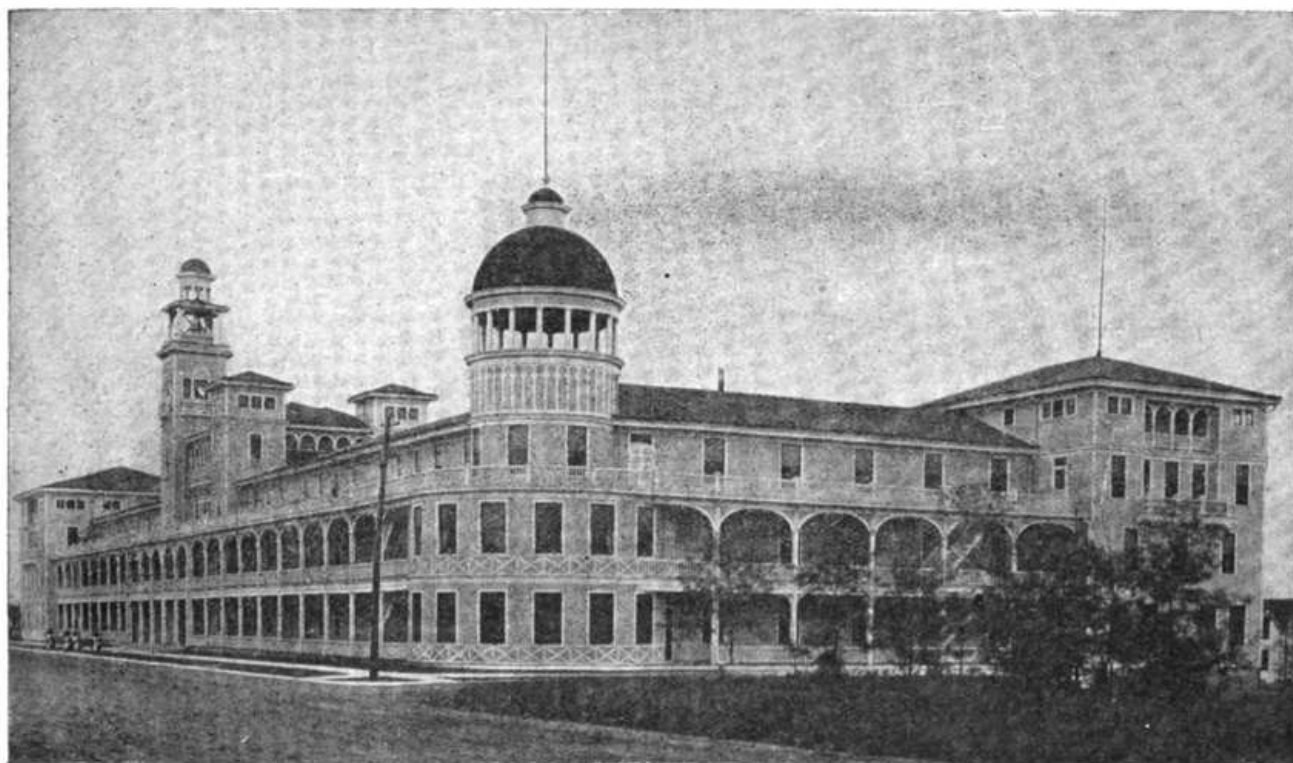
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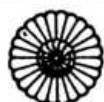
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And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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ZION'S SIXTEENTH FEAST OF TABERNACLES

By APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

ZION'S Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, held in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, from the evening of Wednesday, July 5th, to the evening of Lord's Day, July 16, 1916, has come to its close and passed into history.

The one great thought that stands out prominently in connection with the various phases of ZION'S Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles is the fact that God is dwelling in ZION, and that the Rule and Reign of God is being declared in ZION. It is this fact that the Rule and Reign of God is being recognized and adhered to on the part of the Leader, the Officers and the Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION that makes ZION a distinct movement, organization, and people, different from all others.

THE LATTER-DAY ZION OF PROPHECY A THEOCRACY

The latter-day ZION of prophecy is set forth in the Word of God as a place which God has chosen for His habitation. The latter-day ZION must therefore be a Theocracy. According to the Word of God there would be only one place, and one people in the closing days of the Gospel dispensation recognizing the Rule and Reign of God.

The governments of the earth not only fail to recognize, but openly and deliberately reject the Reign of Almighty God. His commandments are trampled upon; His covenants are despised. His invitations and entreaties are scorned; His prophets and messengers are rejected. The world is full of monarchies, aristocracies, republics and democracies. The hundreds of church organizations, sects and denominations partake of the nature of these various governments.

Until the unveiling of ZION by the prophet of God, in these latter days, John Alex. Dowie, who was Elijah the Restorer, there has been no Theocracy in the world throughout the entire Christian dispensation.

The governments of the world are seeking to bring about the golden-age without God, without Jesus the Christ, and without the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit. ZION stands on

the threshold of the millennial reign of Jesus the Christ, and by her recognition of the Divine plan of government, is building up a Theocracy by incorporating a people, "born from above," into THE KINGDOM OF GOD and through them organizing a church which shall be indeed and in truth "Christian, Catholic, and Apostolic", and founding a city, ZION CITY, which shall be "A Holy City," and establishing in it Institutions and Industries in which men and women shall be employed who are seeking to put into practice the principles and purposes of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

At no time of the year is it more opportune for inquiring people to study the ZION movement, than during the Feast of Tabernacles, which is held in ZION CITY from year to year.

The very fact that ZION stands alone in the world, recognizing and keeping the Feast of Tabernacles, which, according to prophecy, is to be restored in connection with the millennial reign of Jesus the Christ at Jerusalem, is a proof that ZION is of God's own planting and not the work of man.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES IN ZION OF GREATER IMPORTANCE THAN IN ISRAEL OF OLD

ZION has more to praise and thank God for in her keeping of the Feast of Tabernacles than had Israel of old. Throughout the Old Testament, the Feast of Tabernacles represented the recognition of Jehovah as the Giver of material blessings, and Provider of abundant harvests for the temporal needs of the nation. ZION as a nation is not concerned, as are the nations of the world, or as was even Israel of old, primarily in the material blessings of life; in asking and answering the questions day in and day out, "what shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or wherewithal shall we be clothed?" but ZION has been raised up of God to "Seek first THE KINGDOM OF GOD and His righteousness." The promise to all who do these two things is this: "All other things shall be added."

There never has been a crop failure in ZION CITY, while other parts of the country and land have repeatedly suffered from ter-

rible droughts. The reason that abundant showers have fallen upon the land of God's children in ZION at Headquarters and in other parts, is because ZION, from her beginning, has returned unto Jehovah the tithe of her income and increase of the fruitage and harvest of the soil.

ZION CITY, at no time of her history has presented a more beautiful sight to visitors than during this Feast of Tabernacles.

ZION exists for the purpose of establishing and extending THE KINGDOM OF GOD upon the earth. ZION exists for the purpose of declaring God's unalterable covenants and commandments to the nations of the earth. ZION exists for the purpose of proclaiming the message of repentance to sinful humanity, for gathering in the harvest of precious souls into the garner of THE KINGDOM.

They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.—Daniel 12:3.

Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

And herein is that saying true, One soweth and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye entered into their labours.—St. John 4:35-38.

The Son of man shall send forth His angels, and they shall gather out of His Kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.—Matthew 13:41-43.

ZION's Feast of Tabernacles partakes, therefore, more of the nature of a spiritual than of a material feast, as was the case in Israel of old. The transition from the Old Testament meaning to that of the millennial, international keeping of the Feast of Tabernacles of worshiping Christ the King in Jerusalem was caused by the appearance of Jesus the Christ at the Feast of Tabernacles at Jerusalem, as set forth in the seventh chapter of the Gospel according to St. John. It was on this occasion that the Christ called particular attention to the teaching and doctrine given by Him as coming from God Himself. It was at this time, in the last day, that great day of the Feast, that Jesus stood up and cried, saying, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink."

He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given: because that Jesus was not yet glorified.—St. John 7:38-39.

ZION's Feast of Tabernacles therefore partakes of the Messianic character of proclaiming the Gospel of THE KINGDOM. The wells of salvation, opened in ZION, are sending forth the streams of life to the nations of the earth. ZION, on the part of her leader, and people, is bending every energy in the direction of gathering God's saints into the ark of refuge which He has established for His afflicted people in this day and age.

ZION'S PURPOSE TO MAKE READY A PEOPLE FOR CHRIST'S RETURN

The purpose, therefore, that the thousands of people have in gathering at ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, is to hear the Gospel of THE KINGDOM proclaimed, which will make them more effective in doing the work that God has called ZION to do, namely, in making preparation for the coming of Christ our Lord and King to rule among the nations of the earth.

Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the Lord, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.—Deuteronomy 33:29.

Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time is come.

When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His Glory.—Psalm 102:13, 16.

There can be no disappointment on the part of anyone who comes to ZION's Feast of Tabernacles for the purpose of replenishing his spiritual needs and wants. Nowhere in the world is the Word of God proclaimed as it is in ZION. Sinners cannot escape conviction if they will heed the message of warning which is given from ZION's platform, to flee from the wrath to come.

Saints cannot fail to be quickened if they come hungering and thirsting after righteousness. One and all must be drawn into a closer walk with God as they sit daily at the feet of Jesus during the Meetings that are held every morning and evening during the Feast of Tabernacles.

Large numbers of visitors have gathered in from many near by and also distant places to attend ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles. The capacity of ZION Home, though large and spacious, was taxed to the utmost. The attendance during the Meetings was larger this year than it had been in previous years.

The General Overseer poured out his life day by day in ministering to the spiritual needs of the people; in unveiling to them the laws of THE KINGDOM; in teaching them to make the needed preparation for fighting life's battles.

The program, which had been announced, called for only Twenty-Minute Addresses by the General Overseer, but many times these were lengthened out to the extent of two-and even three hour discourses, showing that the General Overseer cannot be tied down in delivering his message to any particular routine.

THE WAY OF SALVATION, HEALING AND HOLY LIVING PROCLAIMED IN ZION

What God has wrought, through the powerful presentation of truths through Christ Jesus upon the hearts of the people, by the General Overseer's addresses during the Feast of Tabernacles, only eternity will reveal. Nothing has been left undone to make the way of salvation plain, so that even "The wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein." Nothing questionable and nothing that borders on fanaticism ever falls from the General Overseer's lips. God has given to him in deed and in truth a sound and sober mind, good judgment, a clear conception of the teaching of the Word of God along all lines of practical Christian living, and the message which he presents gives and leaves no uncertain sound, and no question or doubt in the mind of any one.

The only question that arises on the part of those that hear the terrible arraignment against sin and iniquity, and that hear the unfolding of the laws of THE KINGDOM that bring salvation, healing and holy living, is, what will be the attitude on the part of one and all in putting the message into action?

Our General Overseer has made it plain many times during the Feast of Tabernacles that ZION is not a movement, but the Movement; that ZION is not a people, but the People; that ZION is not a nation, but the Nation which God has chosen for the purpose of establishing a Theocracy in the world today.

Speaking concerning John Alex. Dowie, the founder of ZION under God, the General Overseer declared that within but a few years the prominent issue of the day will be regarding the credentials of his prophetic ministry as Elijah the Restorer. Kings and rulers trembled as a result of the words that fell from John Alexander Dowie's lips. The terrible chaos, seen upon the battle fields of Europe and other parts of the world, were plainly foretold by John Alexander Dowie and the people of God were called upon to leave these countries and to establish their homes in ZION CITY. Many have hearkened to the call of God and have brought their families and their possessions into ZION for the purpose of establishing a City of God.

THE WONDERFUL BLESSINGS OF ZION'S STRUGGLES RECOUNTED

The General Overseer dwelt also upon the fact that a period of testing was needed to try those that professed to be ZION. His work as General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION has been largely to separate the elements that had come into ZION CITY from mercenary motives.

He recounted the wonderful blessings of God which had been wrought out in the salvation of ZION CITY. He spoke of the terrible persecutions through which ZION was compelled to pass during the ten years of his labors as the leader of ZION.

He also showed how mightily God had wrought in ZION in giving back to the ZION people the possession of Shiloh Tabernacle, the ZION Temple Site; the General Stores, the ZION Home, the Administration Building; and the favours that God had bestowed upon His people in ZION in establishing the Printing and Publishing House, the ZION Bakery, the ZION Handkerchief Factory and other new ZION Institutions. The General Overseer also dwelt largely upon the purchasing of the ZION Estate and showed how it was possible by the faithful co-operation of all ZION people to make ZION CITY more than ever in the past a City

of God, where no Canaanite or trafficker can dwell therein; but where every home shall be a home of prayer, and every inhabitant a child of God, and the ZION Banner floating victoriously o'er all the ZION CITY site.

Many helpful addresses also were delivered during the morning and evening meetings by the Apostles, Elders, and Evangelists of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION. The General Overseer thanked God that all these officers, without any exception, had remained faithful to God and ZION, and that God had abundantly blessed their labors. It was interesting to hear from the officers, who had been out in the field, how wonderfully God had blessed them in giving out the message of ZION, distributing LEAVES OF HEALING and other ZION Literature—reaching many thousands in Chicago and other places.

It might be of interest to the readers of LEAVES OF HEALING to say, in this connection, that during the past few years, over four million pieces of ZION Literature have been given out by the special workers, and also by the ZION Restoration Host.

The General Overseer gave opportunity to the General Manager, the Assistant General Manager, and also to the Managers of ZION Institutions and Industries to tell of the wonderful progress and growth that God had given to these Institutions during the past year.

Many wonderful testimonies of salvation and healing in answer to prayer were given. These addresses and testimonies will be published from week to week in LEAVES OF HEALING, but the earnestness and force of their delivery, given through the power of the Holy Spirit, will be known only by those who with their own eyes and ears beheld and heard those who spoke.

Special mention should be made of the Cantatas which were given during ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles. The first, on Lord's Day evening, July 9th, being the Oratorio-Cantata—"The Holy City", given under the direction of Conductor J. D. Thomas, by the ZION White-Robed Choir and Orchestra; the second being the Cantata "Bethany", given by the Semi-Chorus from ZION White-Robed Choir. Both of these productions were listened to by large audiences which gathered in Shiloh Tabernacle. Not only the technical excellence of these productions is to be commended, but the special feature which makes their rendition inspiring and uplifting is the fact that these organizations, as well as the ZION Senior and Junior Band, the ZION Flute Band, are composed of members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, who love God and ZION.

Particular mention should also be made of the Sixteenth Anniversary of the Consecration of the Site of ZION Temple, held on Friday, July 14th. This is always a public holiday in ZION CITY, on which all of the Institutions and Industries are closed, and on which the ZION people, old and young, assemble on ZION Temple Site in the afternoon to form a great procession, headed by the ZION Senior Guard, followed by the various musical organizations in their uniforms, the ZION Junior and Senior White-Robed Choirs, Robed Officers and the ZION Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts with their sashes of gold, white, and blue.

THE BEAUTIFUL SIGHT OF THE LARGE HUMAN ZION CROWN.

It was indeed a beautiful sight to behold this great procession going through some of the principal streets of ZION CITY, and then forming themselves on the ZION Temple Site in a Human Crown which was photographed after the most minute and careful preparations had been completed. This photograph of ZION's leader, officers, and many members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION assembled, shows what can be accomplished as a result of the co-operation of the people under ZION's leader.

This photograph is inserted as a supplement in this issue of the LEAVES OF HEALING, and well deserves to be framed and exhibited in a conspicuous place in every ZION home throughout the world. No one who looks upon this beautiful photograph can fail to have admiration for the people who truly love God, and who are doing their utmost to establish His KINGDOM upon the earth.

May God enable one and all in ZION to be faithful in their calling, unto death, that they may receive the Crown of life.

On Saturday, July 15th, at 3:00 P. M., ZION CITY Festal Day was celebrated by another procession, made up of the co-workers of the various ZION Institutions and Industries, headed by the mayor, aldermen, and officers of the City of ZION.

After a number of addresses the large number of people, assembled in Shiloh Park, were given the opportunity to see the Scarf Drill, performed by about eighty young ladies dressed in white, carrying scarfs of blue and yellow, representing ZION's colors of gold, white and blue. These young ladies, keeping step with the music, furnished by the ZION Senior Band, formed into one great circle and different smaller circles, and other interesting formations, making a beautiful sight for all to behold.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPENING OF ZION SCHOOLS MADE

The General Overseer had a great surprise in store for ZION, during the Feast of Tabernacles, when he announced that he was led of God to open and establish the ZION schools in ZION CITY this coming fall, beginning with the month of September. He called attention to the fact that this was the greatest undertaking of his work throughout the entire ten years of his labours in ZION CITY. Opportunity is to be given in these schools for all the children through the eight grades, and the young people of the ZION Preparatory College to be taught the Word of God by faithful ZION teachers. Nothing will be left undone to give them the most careful training to raise a royal generation, such as the world has never seen. Nine months of instruction will be provided for the children in the ZION schools. Immediate preparations are being made on the part of the General Overseer in organizing an Educational Cabinet, and also a faithful teaching-staff.

Let one and all in ZION, without any exception, do their part in helping to bear the great financial burden which will fall upon the General Overseer in the undertaking of this great onward movement.

In closing our report of ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, we call attention to the special services which were held by the General Overseer for the consecration of children, the ordination of officers, and the reception of new members into the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION.

Forty-three children were consecrated to God by the General Overseer in the presence of a large gathering of ZION Bible School. A special ordination service was held on Friday evening, July 14th, at which the General Overseer ordained Elder W. D. Taylor to the Apostolic Office; Evangelist Aug. Hammock, Evangelist M. J. Mintern, and Deacon Wm. M. Wigham to the office of Elder; also twenty-three deacons, and eleven deaconesses. Two others were ordained as deacons on Lord's Day afternoon. It was indeed a very solemn meeting, in which the General Overseer ordained, by the laying on of hands, these new officers, to share with him the great burden of ministering to the spiritual needs of the people. Eighty-nine members were received into fellowship, representing many different states and cities of this land and Canada.

The last day of the Feast was indeed and in truth the greatest of all the meetings, both in attendance and also in importance. The General Overseer gave direction to Apostle E. L. Carey, Apostle Anton Darms, Apostle Wm. S. Peckham, and Apostle W. D. Taylor, to deliver short addresses, after which the General Overseer concluded the meetings of ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles with his closing words of admonition to one and all to consecrate every life, talent, and dollar upon the altar for God and the building up of ZION. After the close of his address the thousands assembled marched in an orderly way around the Barrel, depositing their Offerings for the extension of ZION's work of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

The great meeting was closed in a very solemn way, by the family of ZION gathering around the Lord's table, partaking of the emblems of the bread and unfermented wine, representing the body and blood of Jesus the Christ.

ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles has indeed and in truth been a blessing to every one who has been in attendance. We pray, in closing, that this report and the enclosed supplement of the photograph of the Zion Human Crown, and also the publication of the addresses and testimonies, to be published from week to week, will give forth streams of blessing to all members and friends of ZION, scattered throughout the world.

ZION not only declares the Reign of God, but ZION is in deed and in truth a Theocracy, in which God is establishing His Rule and Reign upon the earth, in preparation for Christ, our coming King.



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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus' Name

Do You Know God's Way of Healing?

BY THE REV. JOHN ALEX. DOWIE.

God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "*I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life,*" and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "*I am the Lord that Healeth thee.*" (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever*"; and He is still with us, for He said, "*Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.*" (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "*Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, sicknesses), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed*"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "*destroy the works of the Devil,*" and when He was here on earth He healed "*all manner of disease and all manner of sickness.*" and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "*oppressed of the Devil.*" (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "*Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance,*" and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is, the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith; and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (1 Timothy 6:20,21; 1 Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

Zion Home, a Center of Divine Healing Teaching

Full information can be obtained at the meetings held in ZION HOME and Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, and in many pamphlets; also the LEAVES OF HEALING published weekly at ZION CITY, Illinois.

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Presentation and Consecration of the People to God

Report of the Opening Meeting of Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., Wednesday Evening, July 5, 1916, Address by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. I. Carey)

APOSTLE CAREY: Let us begin this meeting and this Feast by praising God in the singing of HYMN No. 719—"NEARER MY GOD, TO THEE." Please omit the third stanza.

Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee;
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me
Still all my song shall be—
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

Tho', like a wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone,
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

Then with my waking tho'ts
Bright with Thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs,
Bethel I'll raise;
So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

Or if, on joyful wing,
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

After the HYMNS—"SAVIOR, MORE THAN LIFE TO ME," and "WHITER THAN SNOW"—Apostle Peckham led the congregation in reading the Thirty-fifth Chapter of Isaiah, ZION'S Song of Salvation, Healing, and Holy Living, and Triumphant Entry into ZION.

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God.

Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; He will come and save you.

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

Then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.

And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there:

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

APOSTLE CAREY: Let us sing HYMN No. 23—"BLESS ME NOW"—after which Elder Taylor will pray.

Heavenly Father, bless me now;
At the cross of Christ I bow;
Take my guilt and grief away;
Hear and heal me now, I pray.

REFRAIN.—

Bless me now, bless me now,
Heavenly Father, bless me now.

Now, O Lord! this very hour,
Send Thy grace and show Thy power
While I rest upon Thy Word,
Come and bless me now, O Lord!

Now, just now, for Jesus' sake,
Lift the clouds, the fetters break;
While I look, and as I cry,
Touch and cleanse me ere I die.

Never did I so adore
Jesus Christ, Thy Son, before;
Now the time! and this the place!
Gracious Father, show Thy grace.

PRAYER

ELDER TAYLOR: Almighty and Everlasting God, our Heavenly Father,—Thou Who wast, Thou Who art, and ever shall be—the One in Whom we live and move and have our being—may the words of this song which we have just sung be upon the lips and in the heart of every one present this evening.

"Bless me now, bless me now,
Heavenly Father, bless me now."

We come up to this Feast of Tabernacles expecting to receive Thy blessing; and, O God our Heavenly Father, we ask Thee, in Jesus' Name, that no one, from the oldest to the youngest, may go away from this place disappointed.

Send Thy Holy Spirit into each one of our hearts at the very beginning of this service tonight. We thank Thee that the Holy Spirit is here. He came to earth in His fullness on the Day of Pentecost, and He is abiding with His people still.

O Father, let Thy richest blessings rest upon all present this evening, and may our hearts be lifted to Thee in praise, in gratitude, and in thanksgiving.

We look over the congregation tonight and see the faces of many strangers, and some we have not seen for ten and twelve years. As we look upon those whom we met in other days, and see them present tonight at this Feast of Tabernacles, we can but express our thoughts in the language of the one who wrote the beautiful hymn:

"And are we yet alive
And see each other's face?
Glory and praise to Jesus give
For His redeeming grace."

Our Father in Heaven, we do thank Thee tonight, that through all that has come before us—the darkness as well as the sunshine; the bitter as well as the sweet; the many trials and tribulations—Thou hast spared our lives. We thank Thee that we are permitted to meet again at the Feast of Tabernacles, and we feel in our hearts and in our spirits this evening that the power of Jehovah is even now beginning to rest upon this congregation.

As we meet from time to time, and as we go on in this great Feast from day to day, we pray Thee, our Heavenly Father, that every day may be the best, and that it may grow better and better even unto the close; and we pray that the last may be as the wine which was prepared by our Savior, and which was set before the wedding guests—that it may be the best of all.

We especially pray this evening, our Father, for the sinner. If there are those in this congregation who have not given their hearts to God, we ask Thee, in Jesus' Name, that this may be the night when they will give themselves fully to Thee.

Bless those who have come up afflicted in body, afflicted in

spirit, or afflicted in any way. We thank Thee that we know what the remedy is, for the apostle has said:

"Is any afflicted among you? let him pray."

If any have in their hearts the songs of praise, we ask Thee that they may praise Thee; and "Is any sick among you?"—we are told in Thy Word that they must "call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him...and the prayer of faith shall save the sick."

Father, prepare the people for the Divine Healing meeting, and we ask Thee, in Jesus' Name that there may be a season of great refreshing from the Presence of Jehovah.

We look back through the years that are past, and we realize that this was a part of the Gospel which had been and is neglected by the churches, but we thank Thee, O God, that in due time, according to prophecy, and according to Thy will, Thou didst raise up one to give us the whole Gospel. Thou didst send Elijah, the Prophet of the Restoration, to the world, and he prepared the hearts of the people for the return of our Lord. He finished his work, and has gone on his way; and we know tonight in our hearts, Father, that Thou hast raised up another to go on with this work. We ask Thee, in Jesus' Name, that Thy blessings may rest upon the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

Our Heavenly Father, we ask Thee that the people may hold up his hands, and that Thou wilt be with him during this Feast.

Let Thy blessings rest upon the apostles tonight, and upon the elders, the evangelists, the deacons, the deaconesses, and upon every member of this church. Bless all the institutions.

We pray especially tonight for the Ecclesiastical Department in Zion, that as we preach and sing and pray and distribute these wonderful messages, the power of Jehovah may rest upon the people, and that great good may be done.

We pray, tonight, for the educational department in Zion, O God. Open up the way, so that we can have again in Zion City our own schools.

We pray, our Heavenly Father, that Thou wilt bless the commercial interests of Zion. We do thank Thee that, notwithstanding what has been said to the contrary, the payments have been made up to the present time; and we have faith to believe, O God, that Thou wilt supply all our needs. Thou knowest tonight what is needed.

We ask Thee, in Jesus' Name, that Thou wilt bless the political department in Zion. Hasten the day when we shall have everywhere a Theocracy.

Heavenly Father, we ask Thee that Thou wilt bring back to Zion again those institutions which have been wrested out of our hands. Father, we pray Thee that Thou wilt send us the means, so that we can have the Lace Factory and the Publishing House, from which the "Little White Dove" may go forth again into the uttermost parts of the earth, bringing cheer and comfort and joy and peace and full salvation unto the rich man's house as well as unto the poor man's hovel.

O Father in Heaven, hear us in these petitions tonight! We ask it in Jesus' Name and for His Sake, Who, when He was upon earth in the flesh, taught us to pray, saying: (The Lord's Prayer was then reverently chanted.)

ZION's Marching Hymn—"WE'RE MARCHING TO ZION"—was then heartily sung by the congregation.

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and, in the Name of Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, be sanctified unto the good of all present, and unto the good of all who shall read this address in this and other lands, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer; and let the people say Amen. (Response by the audience.)

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: To the Apostles, Elders, Evangelists, Deacons, Deaconesses, Members, and Friends of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, assembled in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, United States of America, in this the first meeting of ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles—PEACE TO THREE!

(The audience then gave the earnest response—"PEACE TO THREE BE MULTIPLIED.")

Beloved in Jesus the Christ, I count it a very great privilege, and I sincerely thank my God and Heavenly Father that I am permitted to stand here, having reached another milestone in my work as General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and open this ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles.

I greet you in the Name of Jesus the Christ, our Precious Lord and Savior.

I rejoice to see this congregation, and I believe I am not mistaken when I say that it is the largest that we have had, in all these years, at the first meeting of the Feast of Tabernacles.

For this I very earnestly prayed to God this afternoon, and I thank Him that my prayer has been answered.

You will now turn to the Third Chapter of the Second Epistle of Peter, which I will read in the Name of the Lord, trusting that God will inspire me as I read, and that He will sanctify, to your inspiration, edification, and encouragement, the portions of His Inspired Word that I shall read.

After the reading of this selection in the Third Chapter of Second Peter, I shall read a few verses of the Twenty-fourth Chapter of Matthew, and then four verses in the Seventh Chapter of Genesis, which verses will be the basis of my address.

The World Ignores the Promise of Christ's Return

This Third Chapter of the Second Epistle of Peter is one of the most important, one of the most solemn of all the utterances that God has handed down to us through holy men, who were inspired by Him, through the Holy Spirit, to communicate to us His will.

This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by"—whom, Zion?

(PEOPLE: "By the holy prophets.")

These words are recorded in the Old Testament—the words "spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Savior."

To whose words are we to give heed?

To the words of the holy prophets first, and then of the apostles.

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts (their own desires, or inclinations).

And saying, Where is the promise of His coming?—

Whose coming?

(PEOPLE: "Christ's coming.")

—For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

Is this statement true, or false?

It is false!

It is untrue when they say that all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. That is a false statement.

For this they willingly are ignorant of—

They are "WILLINGLY IGNORANT!"

—That by the Word of God the heavens were of old,—

When they say that this earth was created out of nothing, is that true or false?

(PEOPLE: "False.")

Out of what was it created?

(PEOPLE: "Out of the Word of God.")

Never forget that!

It was BY THE WORD OF GOD that "the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same Word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men."

The world was once destroyed by water, and the next time it will be destroyed by fire.

The destruction by water—is it behind us, or before us?

(PEOPLE: "Behind us.")

And the destruction by fire?

(PEOPLE: "Before us.")

The Day of the Lord to Come as a Thief in the Night

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day

is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

SEEING THEN THAT ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE DISSOLVED, WHAT MANNER OF PERSONS OUGHT YE TO BE IN ALL HOLY CONVERSATION AND GODLINESS.

Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless.—(Verse 14.)

I will read in the Twenty-fourth Chapter of Matthew, beginning with the Thirty-second Verse:

Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

Does everybody know that? Yes, every individual then knows that summer is nigh.

So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that He is near, even at the doors.

Verily I say unto you, This generation (that is, the generation in which these things begin to be fulfilled) shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away.

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.—(Verse 39.)

In the Seventh Chapter of Genesis, Verses One, Five, Seven, and the last part of the Sixteenth Verse:

And the Lord said unto Noah, COME THOU AND ALL THY HOUSE INTO THE ARK.....

And Noah did according unto all that the Lord commanded him....

And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

....AND THE LORD SHUT HIM IN.

Preparations to be Made Now to Fight Life's Battles

Beloved, one and all: You will either fight life's battles during this Feast of Tabernacles and win the victory, and come out more than conquerors over the world, the flesh, and the devil—the enemies without; and, still worse, the enemies within—the appetite, pride, temper—or you will lose the battle.

As I have prayed this afternoon, in preparation for this meeting and for this Feast, the one great desire of my heart has been that I might be used of God in helping you, one and all, to make the preparation during this Feast which must be made if you are determined to go forward and to find salvation, healing, cleansing; and, still better, God's keeping power.

The Christian is always ready for every temptation and every onslaught of the archenemy of mankind.

This Feast, inaugurated in fulfilment of prophecy and carried forward by the direction of God, through the Holy Spirit, affords you ample opportunity for making that preparation which will enable you to win all the battles; and, if you now make the preparation, you will not have to fight them.

It is possible for you and for me so to avail ourselves of the means of grace here that the devil will not be able to afflict us, to tempt us, and to overcome us; for if we lay hold of every golden opportunity afforded here, we shall be so thoroughly clad in the Christian armor that it will be impossible for the devil to attack us with an iota of hope of success.

Now is the time and HERE is the place to fight the battle against every temptation the devil can present!

Now is the time and HERE is the place to defeat the devil in every effort he makes to afflict you and to lay disease upon you,

for it is here that the feast is spread, and you are called upon to eat of the Bread of Life and drink of the Water of Life, and become so thoroughly equipped that the devil will be utterly unable to touch you; for the last test that I read declares unequivocally of Noah and all in the Ark that GOD SHUT THEM IN, so that the flood, which destroyed all other human beings and swept all life from the face of the earth, was absolutely helpless and unable to touch them, or to harm them in any way.

Zion, God Almighty's Ark of Safety for His People

The first verse of the Seventh Chapter of Genesis is a beautiful invitation, and one of the very first things that I have considered, in thinking of this Feast, is this: Can we not see such an effort as was never put forth before to bring every member of your household into ZION—which is, at this time, just as truly God Almighty's Ark of Safety as was the Ark at the close of the Antediluvian age?

As you sit before me tonight and I look into your faces, I am praying that God will open your eyes, remove the mist and the clouds, and give you such a vision of ZION that it will be your first thought, and your thought day and night, to get into your proper place, so that when the Lord comes, He will find you filling some little corner in His latter-day ZION, which He is preparing as the Bride—the Church “without spot or wrinkle,” and the body of people to whom He will come when the last saint is gathered and prepared for His Second Coming.

My addresses will, for the most part, be on the fundamental principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

I want to help you to get the vision!

I have read to you about the Flood. Whether you believe that such an event ever transpired, I do not know. I have nothing to do with that. I know that the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, makes it plain that the flood *did* come, and that, with the exception of Noah and his family, the people were swept away, and knew not until it had come and taken them away—in other words, like most people of the present time, preaching had no effect upon them.

The only thing that will set some people to thinking is the logic of events.

How often I have seen it in connection with ZION!

In almost every address I have said, when I have poured out my life to lead people closer to God: “Reject this call, spurn this message, and the next place I will see you will be on your death-bed.”

I have seen some commit the sin unto death; and then when Satan has a hold on them, and the cold hand of death is wringing their heart-strings, they have cried for mercy, and no answer has come.

Neglect to read the Word of God, and you will wither and die!

It is just as impossible for a man to live the Christian life and neglect the Word of God as it is for a man to neglect to partake of food and continue to live physically.

Neglect private prayer, neglect communion with God, and you will wither away and die!

It is just as impossible for a man to live without air as it is for a man to live the Christian life without prayer.

“Prayer is the Christian's native breath,” the poet has said; and he is right.

Faithfulness in God's Service Brings Blessing

Neglect the house of God, neglect service in the Master's vineyard, and then when the devil strikes you down you are just as hopeless of getting anything from God as is the man who sits in the house and refuses to plow the ground and sow the seed, and who, when winter's chilling blasts come, goes to his granary and looks for a thousand bushels of golden grain.

It is in Jeremiah that we have the wail, which becomes the wail of vast multitudes of people—“THE HARVEST IS PAST, THE SUMMER IS ENDED, AND I AM NOT SAVED.”—Jeremiah 8:20.

If you would win every battle—if you would be saved *fighting* the battle—read the Word of God!

Commune daily with God!

Never miss a service in God's house, if you can avoid it!

Never miss an opportunity to work in the Master's Vineyard!

These things are the food upon which the Christian life feeds and grows and survives and matures.

Jesus makes it plain that the flood did take place. The Apostle Peter states it very plainly.

I read in my Bible the plain words, "THE WORLD THAT WAS." To that world you and I do not belong; but the history of it is here for our instruction and example.

I read in my Bible—you will find it in the Fourth Verse of the First Chapter of Galatians: "THIS PRESENT EVIL WORLD." God forbid that you and I should be *of* it, but we are *in* it!

I read in the book of Hebrews of "THE WORLD TO COME."

You have in the Word of God, in plain English, the declarations concerning the world that was, the present evil world (or, the world that is), and the world to come.

"The world that was" was the world to which Noah belonged—the antediluvian world, which lasted a little over sixteen hundred years.

Some seem to be surprised that from perfection, in the midst of a perfect environment, the human race should become so utterly corrupt that God Almighty should repent that He ever made man and decide to destroy him from the face of the earth. However, it is written that He found *one righteous man*.

In all the antediluvian world, there was just one righteous man—the others were so wicked that not only their words and their deeds, but every imagination, every thought was vile. They were so low-down that they could not even think a pure thought.

They were utterly corrupt!

They were hopeless, and God Almighty Himself declared that the destruction of all flesh should take place.

There is one thing, God has never permitted an age to close without a prophet and without an ark of safety.

Another thing. There never has been a day, an hour, a moment, since God created this earth, when humanity was so corrupt that God could not find at least one righteous man.

He spoke to Noah.

The Building of Noah's Ark an Expression of Faith in God

Noah built the ark because he believed God—and nobody who does not believe God will help build ZION CITY.

Without faith, you cannot build ZION CITY; neither can you build ZION.

If Noah had not believed what God said, he never would have made the first stroke toward the preparation of the ark. He stood alone—and you will stand alone. History will repeat itself, and you will stand alone—for God will take "one of a city and two of a family," and He will bring them to ZION.

You will stand in the midst of unbelievers; you will stand in the midst of scoffers; you will be surrounded by scoffers; you will be laughed at and mocked, and you will be persecuted, as has been true at the close of every age.

I would to God that you only could see these things as I see them tonight and am struggling to put them into words, so that during this Feast you will be aroused and quickened and stirred and moved to immediate activity, and that none of you will go on making excuses and saying, "Tomorrow!"

DELAY!

ETERNAL DELAY!

At last it will defeat you and rob you of your crown!

You have to answer TONIGHT, because you have no assurance of tomorrow.

I love to think of Noah!

I often draw in my mind the picture of the whole scene—what he had to withstand; how for one hundred and twenty years he stood unmoved.

Why?

Because he BELIEVED IN GOD!

An All Important Question

Let me tell you, in all my battles and in all my trials, and in all the conflicts with the powers of darkness, there is only one question that comes to me. It has come to me today. Last Lord's Day afternoon, after speaking for two hours and a half, when it seemed that I poured out almost the last ounce of strength in order to get somebody to see God, the only question that came to me was this: Am I where God wants me? Has God called me to this place?

That question settled, there is not a storm that can beat, there is nothing that can transpire, that can ever shake me for a second or disturb me for one moment.

That is the only question that I have to ask.

It is not a place that any sane man would select.

If God did not call me before my birth and train me, through long years of varied and trying experiences, for this day and hour, I would be the fool of all fools to stand in this place twenty-four hours. But if God called me and put me here, then the long line of victories won have been won by the power of God Almighty; and He Who has wrought hitherto will continue to carry on this work, and He will finish it.

The great desire of my life is to see ZION firmly organized, and ZION CITY absolutely redeemed and built in accordance with the Word of God. That is the desire of my heart tonight!

It is only natural that I should study the life of Noah; it is only natural that I should spend hours studying the life of Moses.

I have sometimes felt that the first one I want to see when I get to Heaven is Moses, and say: "Moses, I deeply sympathize with you;" for I believe I have gone through some experiences which will enable me to sympathize with him in what he went through in leading the children of Israel.

LEADERSHIP!—a place of tremendous importance, where you have to stand, where you have to stay!

This one may go, and that one may move to California, and another one to Kansas, and another one to England, or to Canada—but I have to stay right at my post, or there would not be any ZION.

You are called to stay at YOUR POST, and God will hold you responsible, in the last great day, for filling your little corner, just as He will hold me responsible for filling a big position.

I like to look at Noah—faithful for one hundred and twenty years. He preached all that time, and he never had a convert.

He preached for one hundred and twenty years!

Then at last, after having been true to God and having prepared the Ark, seven days before the flood—think of it!—God Himself spoke to His servant and said: "COME THOU AND ALL THY HOUSE INTO THE ARK."

God Has a Time for Everything

He did not call him until the Ark was ready, and He did not wait to call him until the flood was upon the earth.

God never does a thing too soon, and He never does a thing too late.

Sometimes we, in our shortsightedness, wonder why God does not do this thing and that thing, and why He did not do it last year—and that, sometimes, is one of the hardest lessons for me to learn.

In this great fight in ZION CITY we have gone through a good many things; and I say that God, Who founded ZION and ZION CITY, must return that Lace Factory to ZION; About five years ago a prominent man was talking to me, and he said: "Do you really entertain any hope in your heart that you will ever get that Lace Factory away from Marshall Field?"

I said: "I certainly do."

And I say now that as sure as God founded ZION and ZION CITY and sits on His throne tonight, He is bigger than Marshall Field and Company, with all their scores of millions of dollars (Amens), and God is able to dethrone kings and lay low czars and rulers of every form and kind, and sweep governments off the earth.

It is only a question of having the people ready and at the place where God can trust us, as He looks down upon us.

The same is true of the old Printing and Publishing House, for which we have prayed so long. Thousands and tens of thousands of prayers have gone up to God, and still it is not in our hands—and we are sometimes inclined to say: "Why does it take so long?"

He knows why!

The question is: Have we the faith in God from day to day, week to week, month to month, and year to year? Is there any doubt in our hearts, and do we waver?

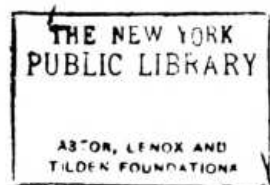
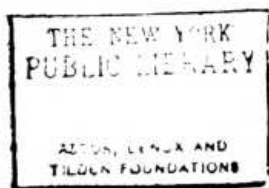
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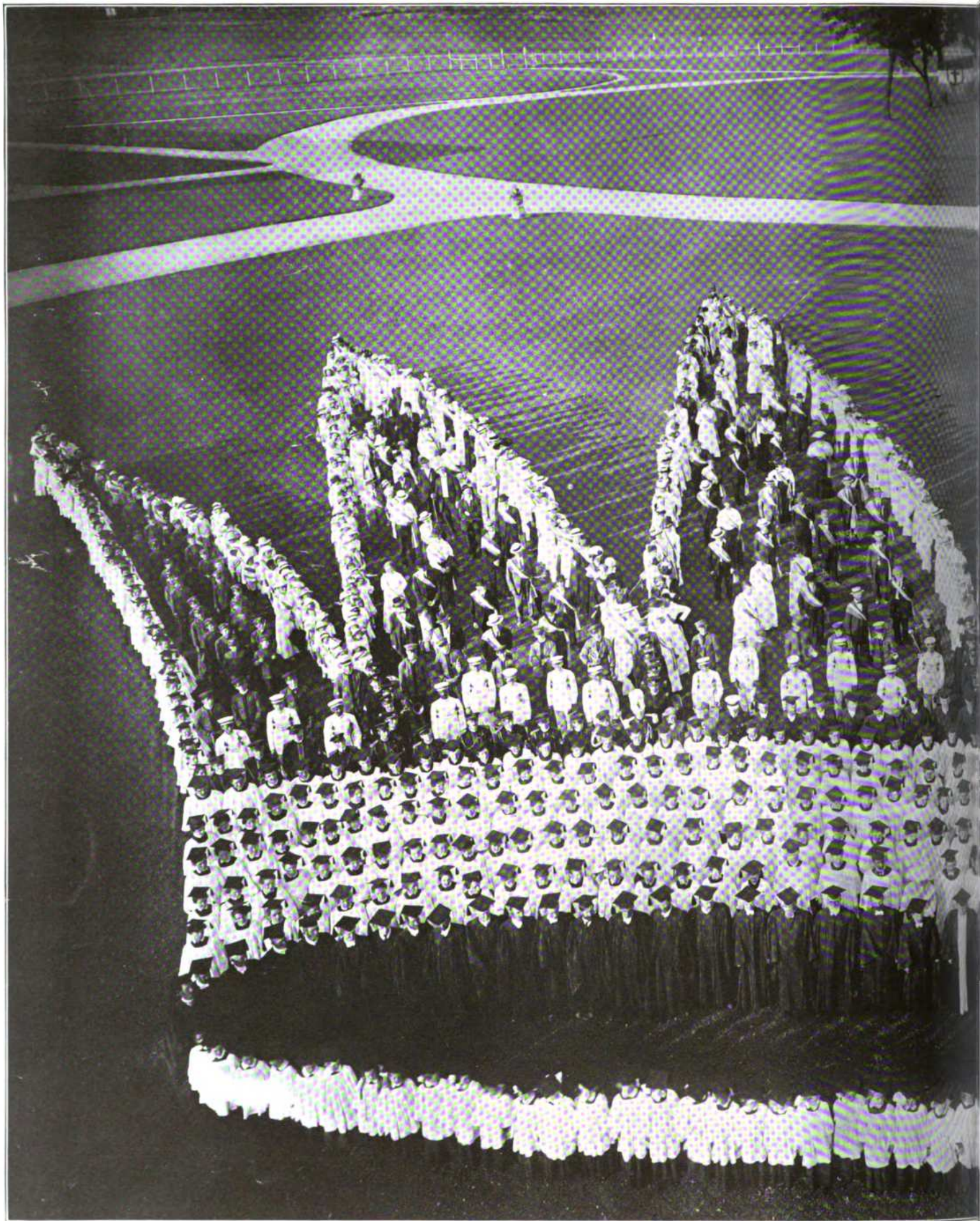
God is just looking down upon us with a beautiful smile, and He is testing us out a little further, to see whether there is anything in us.

You never know what there is in a person until he is tested!

When God permits the test to come, if we stand the fires, we will come out pure gold.

So God invited Noah to come into the Ark, for He said, "I have seen thee righteous in this generation."

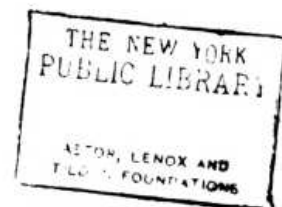
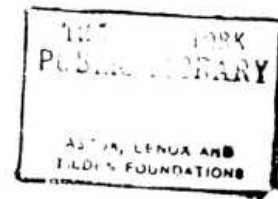
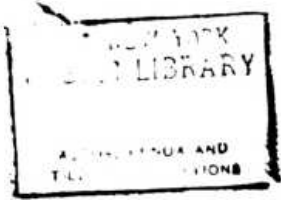




This Photograph was taken during Zion's 16th Feast of Tabernacles, on July 14, 1916, the Sixteenth Anniversary of the Con-
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celebration of Zion Temple Site. This is a large human Crown, Composed of Zion Junior and Senior White-Robed Choirs, Zion Junior and Senior Restoration Host. It is regarded, and justly so, as one of the finest in during the Feasts of Tabernacles in Zion City.



You and I are living in the last days of the Gospel Age. This is the year 1916.

The Jewish Age lasted 1846 years. This Age has already outlasted the Jewish Age; and the signs on every hand show that the Gospel Age is dying and that the Millennium has begun.

I believe that the Millennial Age has begun in ZION, just as truly as I believe I am standing here!

Whom the heaven must retain until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.—Acts 3:21.

The Gospel Age is dying!

The Millennial Age is being born, and ZION is the beginning. Therefore, the government of ZION is ANTICIPATORY—it is not retrospective.

ZION looks forward to the coming Age for her form of government.

ZION does not get her Theocratic principles from the old Mosaic Theocracy: ZION reaches forward to the Millennium, over which the Christ, and the Christ alone—King of kings and Lord of lords—will be the Supreme Ruler!

Therefore, a people must be prepared who recognize a Divinely called and chosen leader; who will submit themselves willingly, voluntarily, unreservedly, to the rulership of a Divinely called and chosen leader—or else they will not be ready to welcome the King, and they will want a Democrat.

Christ will Rule as King of kings and Lord of lords

I thought as I read this statement—"For thee have I seen righteous in this generation"—what does God see when He looks down upon you and upon me?

What does God see as He looks down upon you?

What is this generation?

As rotten as hell!

There never was a time since creation's dawn when this world was as corrupt as it is today. I do not care how wicked the Antediluvians were; I do not care how vile the Sodomites and Gomorrahites were, the cities of today can give them pointers on wickedness.

I tell you, there are many sins committed in the city of Chicago and in the cities of the world of which the Antediluvians and the Sodomites and Gomorrahites never heard.

As God looks down upon you, does He see you going with the masses—swearing, lying, cheating, dancing, card-playing, theater-going—following the ways of the world, the flesh, and the devil?

Is that what He sees when He looks down upon you tonight?

Can He say: "Thee have I seen righteous in this generation"—because Christians are scarce articles today.

If you come here from morning to morning and listen to the addresses on being restored to that solid, substantial, real union with God, connected up with the mighty power-house in Heaven; and on Regeneration (the New Birth), and Conversion, Justification, Repentance, Confession, Restitution, Sanctification, you will see what it means to be a child of God. Then no longer will you say, "Well, the General Overseer is pretty hard on the preachers."

I want to tell you that there are no words within my vocabulary strong enough to characterize the apostate ministers, who have betrayed the Son of God in the Masonic Lodge room; who have bowed the knee to Baal; who are denying the Word of God and casting reflections upon its authenticity; who are ridiculing the supernatural and destroying the very foundations of the faith of the saints.

Are there any words that I could use that are too strong to characterize them, when they are starving the sheep and letting them go to destruction?

There are no words too strong!

Zion's Work is to Call the Saints Together

My mission, first, is to call the saints of God out of Babylon and into ZION.

I love to think of ZION as a place of refuge!

Brothers and sisters, are you tired of associating with card-players?

Are you sick of theater-goers?

Are you tired of frequenters of the dance-hall?

Are you sick and tired of those who know more about a deck of cards than they do about the Word of God?

Are you sick of those who go to theaters, and rarely ever go to a prayer meeting?

Then God has founded ZION as a place of refuge for you His child, where we can come together and pray and sing and look up into the face of our God.

While we are imperfect, we are not doing these accursed worldly things. We are seeking to bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit, and to avoid the works of the flesh and the devil.

God not only wants an individual, but He wants an ORGANIZATION.

So tonight, the Ark has been prepared, and God Almighty says, "Come into it!"

Now, then, under grace, I have been unable to find a passage of Scripture that warrants me in holding out this invitation to you beyond tonight.

When Jesus told Zaccheus to come down from the tree, did He tell him to wait until next week to come?

"THIS DAY is salvation come to this house."

All through the New Testament it is TODAY!

"Now is the accepted time."

"THIS IS THE DAY of salvation."

Do not put it off!

Never mind what father says! Never mind what mother says! Never mind what the husband says, or what the wife says, or the brothers or sisters, or anybody else—YOU MUST PUT THE LORD JESUS CHRIST FIRST! If you are not willing to do that, you are not His disciple; you are none of His.

It is written that Noah did all that God commanded him.

Obedience the Source of Every Blessing

There is the spirit of obedience!

That is the way to get salvation!

That is the way to get healing!

That is the way to get keeping power!

That is the way to get all the treasures of the storehouse in Heaven and on earth!

Be truly obedient unto your God, and do what He tells you.

Then the next thing: "THE LORD SHUT HIM IN."

Are you shut in, so that all these insidious, subtle influences of the devil that are operating in the world cannot reach you?

During his Feast may the saints be quickened, and may every sinner be convicted and brought to repentance!

May God put into you the spirit of obedience to be baptized, to pay your tithes. That is a very small matter—a very little matter, and yet I find some people who are not so far along today as the poor old Jews were back in the days of Moses.

Let me strike this note, before I pronounce the Benediction: My brothers and sisters, during this Feast God will give you opportunities which, if you take hold of them and improve them, will bring you closer to Him by a million times than you have ever been before, and which will bring to this old world untold blessings.

I am sure those of you who are here from the outside will say, "God knows, a ZION CITY is needed!"

Remember that no age ever closed without a servant to warn, and an ark as a place of refuge.

When the Jewish Age closed, it was John the Baptist who sounded the warning note; and he was followed by Jesus Himself.

Then the little city of Pella was set apart, and all the Christians who fled to it were saved.

Zion, God's Provision for This Day and Age

And so at the close of this Age, God sent His servant, and has provided a refuge—ZION.

It is for you to do your part!

You stand as an individual! You stand alone!

I am glad to see this company tonight.

I pray that not a discordant note will be struck during this Feast. Let everything be put in order, and let there be a true seeking after God from day to day.

May God make this a glorious Feast; may He save you to the uttermost, heal you of your diseases, comfort your hearts, and bless you one and all!

The General Overseer then requested all to stand and sing the DOXOLOGY, after which he pronounced the

B E N E D I C T I O N

The Need of a Divinely Chosen Leader

By Elder Frank Robinson

"This is the Work of God, That Ye Believe on Him Whom God Hath Sent."—John 6:29

THESE words of Jesus the Christ, spoken to those who inquired of Him what they should do to work the works of God, are very far-reaching in their importance, and contain a fundamental principle, which must be acquiesced in by every citizen of THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Without a doubt, they apply to us today, just as much as they did to those who asked the question centuries ago; and even more so, for we have the experience and teaching of those who have lived in the past ages very clearly set forth upon this subject in the Sacred Records.

We find, by examining the Sacred Records, that those who believed in the Prophets and Leaders whom God sent in the Jewish Dispensation, following their example and leadership, received the approval and special favor of God, and were truly blest; but those that disobeyed and persecuted God's messengers received the severest condemnation and judgment of God.

ZION thoroughly believes that God sends His special messengers today for the directing of the work in His KINGDOM, even as He sent Moses, Joshua, Samuel, David and others in the Jewish Dispensation and that it is just as important that she obeys the leader today, as it was for the Jews to obey those whom God sent in their day.

ZION also believes it is impossible that there can be two God-sent leaders at the same time, for they would both teach the same thing; their organizations would be both alike, and nothing could keep them apart.

ZION firmly believes in the Theocratic form of government and that where God rules, man prospers. In order that the Theocracy may be established upon earth, it is absolutely necessary that this principle of Divine leadership shall be recognized.

The real issue between ZION and the denominations or ZION and the world is this question of Divinely appointed leadership.

The devil has so long ruled the world that he hates to see the Divine order inaugurated; but the time has come when God will exercise His Divine prerogatives.

The messenger of God holds up the rule of God and demands that all men obey; while the apostasy and world are in rebellion against God, and are ruled by him who rebelled against God in Heaven and was cast out.

The apostasy and the world, or the so-called churches and the world, are not separated in fundamentals, but only in name to serve the devil's purpose of deception.

While ZION believes in the Divinely appointed leader in THE KINGDOM OF GOD on earth, she also recognizes that under cover of darkness and secrecy, there is another person in whom the devil has vested his usurped power and authority, and that in due time that hidden leader of the hosts of the ungodly men will be revealed as the chief instigator, through the secret empire, of all the destructive elements which apparently are in opposition, but will then be seen in harmonious accord.

This man in scriptural language is called "That Wicked One," or "The Man of Sin."

In ZION we have a God-chosen leader and around him are gathered a company of faithful, loyal subjects of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, who are assisting Him in upholding the banner of ZION and maintaining the principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, although amid hardship and persecutions.

Throughout the world today, there are scattered thousands of God's children, who, as the great conflict of ZION proceeds against wrong and for the right, will be compelled eventually to come under God's leader in ZION to escape the flagrant works of the devil and his cohorts; as living in the world with all its sins, vices and iniquity, which are growing more and more apparent at such an astounding rate, will be intolerable for a child of God.

As ZION's God-sent leader looks over the entire field of activities of God's KINGDOM upon earth, and receives as he does, information from all parts of the world from many private as well as public sources, and exercising the special gift of discernment, which one in his position must have, he is especially quali-

fied to make moves which will be for the advancement of THE KINGDOM OF GOD and preparation for the coming of the Christ.

Many will, no doubt, not understand these moves and will misinterpret them, looking at them from their point of view, even as the disciples did not understand why Jesus the Christ should give Himself up to be crucified, when He could work all kinds of miracles and if necessary could ask that twelve legions of angels be sent to annihilate His enemies; but it was best for THE KINGDOM OF GOD's sake and the only thing that could be done.

During the march of the children of Israel through the wilderness, we have some very striking examples of the people misunderstanding Moses' motives in moves which he made, and many of them were severely punished by God for murmuring and complaining against him.

As has always been the case, no man can depose, or in any way interfere with the leadership of a God-sent man, other than to make things difficult for him by persecuting, neither can he be killed until God is through with him.

Only God Himself has the power to depose one whom He appoints and as long as He permits him to rule, all should obey. When he gets out of harmony with the Divine plan, God will chasten and correct him; if he refuses to be corrected, God will put another in his stead.

There are several instances in Sacred History, where, because a ruler refused to obey God, he was destroyed and his office given to another. Notably is the case of Eli who was succeeded by Samuel. However, it is a very serious sin for the people to murmur against a leader of God's people, as we see in the case of Miriam who complained against Moses, the man of God, and was smitten with leprosy, (Numbers 12); and also in the case of Korah, who told Moses he took too much upon himself, and that he had no right to lift himself up above the congregation. But the terrible judgment of Korah, as found in Numbers 16, has made the ears of all who have heard about it tingle to this day.

It is quite evident from what our Lord said, when describing to His disciples the condition of the last days, found in Matthew 24:45 and in Luke 12:24, that when He comes back to earth as King, He expects to find one faithful servant who has gathered his subjects together, ready for the rapture, giving them the meat in due season, or in other words, teaching them the signs of the time, and how to get ready for the Bridegroom-King. This servant will be ready to hand over to Jesus the Christ, as King, his subjects and he himself become subject to the King of kings.

It is not to be supposed that the leader will do all the work himself, but, by the faithful co-operation of different helpers and co-workers who have an earnest desire to work the works of God, whose offices and work has all been arranged for in God's Word, the work of THE KINGDOM will be set in order and maintained.

There will not be a number of such leaders and organizations for, by turning to the passage in Luke 12:24, it will be seen that the word referring to this leader is in the singular and not plural; and moreover, there are never two heads to one household. We will leave it to the denominations to be hydraheaded and a sorry and ludicrous sight they present.

Moses was over God's household as they marched to the promised land, and he told us that the Lord would raise us up a prophet like unto him from among our brethren.

(Deuteronomy 18:15-19, Acts 3:19-24)

There it tells that Jesus would be retained in Heaven until the Times of Restoration of All Things and that the prophecy of Moses would be fulfilled.

So the one who leads the people in the last days into the promised land, the land for which all nations have been sighing for centuries, the spiritual land of God's promised rest, and to the King who will restore to His people Jerusalem and the Holy Land of promise around her, will be like unto Moses, a great God-sent leader.

"And it shall come to pass that whosoever will not hearken unto that prophet shall be destroyed from among the people."

And thus it is in ZION today, as God adds day by day such as are being saved.

That is the work of God's servant in ZION. He has warned of the time in which we are living and ever keeps before us the necessity of being prepared for the coming of the King.

In ZION, the former things are being restored and the house set in order for her coming Lord.

This is not a question where we can afford to let personal antipathy hinder us from entering wholeheartedly into the work of God. It is too serious a question! The flesh can have no part in this proposition; but we must discern by the spirit of God the spiritual force and power, and recognize the Divine plan.

In all leaders, there is the human side as well as the divine side, as in all Christians. The most successful, miracle-working of all the holy prophets have defects scored against them in God's Word, nevertheless, the people were not excused from obeying them on this account when in the main they were forging ahead with God's work. Nowhere can we find the perfectly upright, except the sinless Son of God.

Jesus said to His disciples, weak and imperfect as they were, "As the Father hath sent Me so send I you,"—"He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth Me and he that receiveth Me receiveth Him that sent Me."—"He that gathereth not with Me scattereth abroad."

All those, therefore, who are desirous of doing the work of God must hear and obey the messenger whom God has sent in ZION, who stands uncompromisingly for every Word of God and takes the Bible from Genesis to Revelation as the God-sent rule of faith and practice.

With an unwavering faith in God and looking at the work of God in ZION, knowing that God has promised to found ZION, there is no alternative for the child of God but to enter into the Ark of Safety under the servant whom God has sent.

Persecution may and will come, but that will not alter facts. God's order and plan will be maintained and all of God's children will believe and obey him whom God hath sent.

TITHING

Tithing in the Patriarchial Age

"And he (Abram) gave him (Melchizedec as God's High Priest) tithes of all."—Genesis 14:20.

"Of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto Thee."—Genesis 28:22.

Tithing in the Mosaic Dispensation

"All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord."—Leviticus 27:30.

Tithing in the Reign of Solomon

"Honor the Lord with thy substance,
And with the first-fruits of all thine increase:
So shall thy barns be filled with plenty,
And thy presses shall burst out with new wine."
Proverbs 3:9, 10.

Tithing Under the Prophets

"Will a man rob God? yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation. BRING YE ALL THE TITHES INTO THE STOREHOUSE."—Malachi 3:8, 9, 10.

Tithing in the Christian Dispensation

"To whom (Melchizedec) also Abraham divided a tenth part of all."—Hebrews 7:2.

"Thou (Christ) art a Priest forever after the order of Melchizedec."—Hebrews 7:17.

"Here men that die receive tithes; but there He received them; of whom it is witnessed that He liveth."—Hebrews 7:8.

"Ye pay tithes of mint, anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."—Matthew 23:23.

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1.—OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES RELATING TO CHRIST'S SECOND COMING

Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.—Psalms 2:6.

He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.

They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.—Psalms 72:8-11.

The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.

Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.—Psalms 97:1, 2.

And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.—Isaiah 2:2-4.

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.—Isaiah 11:1, 2, 4, 5, 9.

O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the Lord.

And the mean man boweth down and the great man humbleth himself: therefore forgive them not.—Isaiah 2:5, 9.

O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountains; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him.—Isaiah 40:9-10.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.—Jeremiah 23:5-6.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.

In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land.

In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this is the name wherewith she shall be called, The Lord our righteousness.

For thus saith the Lord; David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel.—Jeremiah 33:14-17.

Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand. . . .

And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all; and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all. . . .

And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd; they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.—Ezekiel 37:19, 22, 24.

And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,

and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken it.—Micah 4:3, 4.

Thus saith the Lord; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem; and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the Lord of hosts the holy mountain.

Thus saith the Lord of hosts; There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age.

And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof. . . .

Thus saith the Lord of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from the west country;

And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.—Zechariah 8:3-5, 7, 8.

And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal; yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee. . . .

And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.—Zechariah 14:4, 5, 9.

2.—THE FACT OF CHRIST'S PERSONAL AND VISIBLE RETURN ESTABLISHED

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.—Matthew 25:31.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you into myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.—John 14:3.

Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me when I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.—John 17:24.

And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.—Acts 1:10, 11.

After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.—Acts 15:16, 17.

So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.—I Corinthians 1:7.

Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.—I Corinthians 4:5.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.—I Thessalonians 4:16, 17.

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.—Hebrews 9:28.

For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.—Hebrews 10:36, 37.

And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.—I Peter 5:4.

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.—Revelation 3:3.

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.—Revelation 22:20.

3.—THE MANNER OF HIS COMING MADE PLAIN

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.—Matthew 16:27.

Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. * * *

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.—Matthew 24:26, 27, 30.

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.—Matthew 25:31.

Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.—Mark 8:38.

But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?

And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.—Mark 14:61, 62.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first.—I Thessalonians 4:16.

For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.—I Thessalonians 5:2, 3.

And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels.—II Thessalonians 1:7.

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints.—Jude 1:14.

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him.—Revelation 1:7.

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.—Revelation 16:15.

4.—THE SIGNS PRECEDING HIS RETURN

And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

All these are the beginning of sorrows.

Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.—Matthew 24:1-14.

Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Behold, I have told you before.

Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.—Matthew 24:23-26.

But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.—Matthew 24:37-39.

And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.

They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.

Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.—Luke 17:26-30.

And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.—Luke 21:25-28.

I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?—Luke 18:8.

Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,

That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

Who opposeth and exalted himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he is God.

Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming.

Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders.

And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish, because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.—II Thessalonians 2:1-12.

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.—I Timothy 4:1.

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.—II Timothy 3:1-5.

5.—THE EXACT TIME OF HIS APPEARANCE NOT STATED

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world.—Matthew 24:3.

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.—Matthew 24:14.

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. * * *

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. * * *

Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.—Matthew 24:36, 42, 44.

And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us.

But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.—Matthew 25:10-13.

For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning.

Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.—Mark 13:34-36.

Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning;

And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.—Luke 12:35, 36.

For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.—Luke 21:35.

6.—TERROR OF THE UNGODLY RESULTING FROM CHRIST'S RETURN

But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, my lord delayeth his coming;

And shall begin to smite his fellow-servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of.

And shall cut asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.—Matthew 24:48-51.

Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.—Mark 8:38.

But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;

The Lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.

And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes.—Luke 12:45-47.

For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.—Luke 21:35.

And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.—Romans 11:26.

And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power.—II Thessalonians 1:7-9.

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming.—II Thessalonians 2:8.

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.—Jude 1:14, 15.

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him; and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.—Revelation 1:7.

And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.—Revelation 11:15.

His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. . . .

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.—Revelation 19:12, 15, 16.

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.—Revelation 20:1-3.

7.—THE PREPARATION OF THE SAINTS FOR CHRIST'S RETURN

Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. * * *

Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.—Matthew 24:44, 46, 47.

But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.

And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two.

Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?

When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee?

Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.—Matthew 25:4, 10, 16, 17, 37-40.

And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.—Luke 21:34.

That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.—Ephesians 5:27.

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.—II Timothy 4:8.

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ.—Titus 2:13.

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.—Hebrews 9:28.

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.—James 5:7, 8.

Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.—I Peter 1:13.

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy.—Jude 1:24.

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.—Revelation 3:11, 12.

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.—Revelation 22:20.

8.—THE BLESSINGS OF CHRIST'S RETURN FOR THE GODLY

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.—Matthew 16:27.

Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.—Matthew 25:1-10.

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.

And before him shall be gathered all nations and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats.—Matthew 25:31-32.

And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.

For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.—Luke 21:34-36.

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written. Death is swallowed up in victory.

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.—I Corinthians 15:51-58.

For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things to himself.—Philippians 3:20, 21.

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not precede them which are asleep.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.—I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.—II Thessalonians 1:10.

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.—I John 3:2.

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.—Revelation 19:7-9.

And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.—Revelation 20:4.

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.—Revelation 22:14.

Seek First the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness

ONTARIO, May 28, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

Please continue to pray for me. I do thank God that your prayers are being answered for me. I feel so much better, and by God's help I will seek His KINGDOM and His Righteousness. When He opens the way, I will make my home in ZION CITY.

Enclosed please find \$....., my tithes.

Yours faithfully in Jesus,

(Signed:) MRS. LOUISA HAMBLY.

ZION'S HUMAN CROWN

The beautiful photograph in the form of a Crown shown in the supplement to this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING was taken during ZION's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, on July 14th,—the Sixteenth anniversary of the consecration of ZION Temple Site. Many of those in the picture had gathered on this sacred soil just sixteen years before, when, at about the same hour, God's Prophet knelt in the midst of the assembled throng and solemnly consecrated the Temple Site, and the other land of ZION CITY, to God. At that time was taken the great historic photograph which ZION people delight to point out to visitors on every available occasion.

The Crown photograph is composed of the General Overseer and Robed Officers, ZION Junior and Senior White-robed Choirs, ZION Junior and Senior Guard, ZION Junior, Senior and Flute Bands and ZION Junior and Senior Restoration Hosts. It is justly regarded as the most successful design photograph taken in the history of ZION. The ZION flag shown in the center of the picture at the top, is 9 by 15 feet in size, and stands over the exact center of the Temple Site, which is also the center of ZION CITY. The distance from the 45 foot tower, from which the photograph was taken, to the flag, is more than 300 feet. The ground plan of the Crown is 170 feet in width at the outer tips; 60 feet in width at the base and 140 feet in width through the center from top to bottom. Work of several days' duration was required in laying out the grounds and in figuring the perspectives.

Each recurring Feast of Tabernacles increases the desire on the part of ZION for the return of the Lord to reign. In anticipation of this event, which means so much to God's people, this design and photograph serves as a fitting tribute to Him on the occasion of the Sixteenth anniversary of the consecration of this sacred spot.

The central thought is that ZION crowns her Lord by righteous living in her collective capacity and in the individual capacity of the membership. ZION is Theocratic! In ZION CITY belief in the rule of God is paramount, and, led by the General Overseer, the membership yield themselves willing subjects to their King, for whose coming they work, watch and pray.

The Feast of Tabernacles is the great annual event in ZION. The goodness of God for the preceding year stands out in a strong perspective at all such times. The people are lifted up spiritually and are made to understand the Psalmist who in speaking of Jehovah said: "Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness; and Thy paths drop fatness."—Psalm 65:11.

In ZION are a people, only a small number of whom are shown in the Crown picture, who seek truly to live the precepts laid down in God's Word. It is with no assumption of arrogance, therefore, that we profess to crown our Lord. ZION has stood the acid tests applied during past years. She has the hall-mark of her Great Assay-master, which is right-living. In an age of arrant apostasy ZION brings forth her royal diadem (a consecrated people) and crowns Him Lord of all.

To us the King has said:

"Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."—Revelation 2:10.

WISCONSIN, June 6, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer: "Peace to Thee!"

I heartily thank you for praying for me in April, and I also thank and praise God for His goodness and for answering your prayer, and for His sustaining grace.

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for His wonderful works to the children of men!"

Faithfully yours in Jesus the Christ,

(Signed:) MRS. LUCINDA S. ADAMS.

Arise and Shine, O Zion.

V. B. Shumaker.

Anton Darms.

1. A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, Put on thy gar-ments white!

2. A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, Take hope to all the world!

3. A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, Re - pent-ance bold pro-claim.

4. A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, For Christ will soon ap - pear.

5. A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, — A - rise and shine this day!

The hour has come to wake man-kind From sin's se - duc-tive blight.
The ra-diant cross of Christ hold high, With Zi - on's flag un - furled.
To sick and dy - ing, heal-ing take In Christ's All-conquering Name.
The na-tions, now en-gaged in war, Pro - claim His com-ing near.
Go forth and preach the Word of God, Je - ho - vah's voice o - bey!

Thy God to du - ty calls thee; Oh, haste with-out de - lay!
Go for-ward, ho - ly na - tion, A - gainst the hosts of sin;
Peace, peace to all the na - tions, To home, and all man - kind;
The Gos - pel Age is clos - ing, The call will loud re - sound—
Put on thy strength, O Zi - on, The Leaves of Heal-ing take

A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, Je - ho - vah's voice o - bey!
A - rise and shine, O Zi - on, The wand'ring sheep bring in!
For in the Christ's own King - dom E - ter - nal peace we find.
"Go forth to meet the Bride-groom!" Then Sa - tan will be bound.
To sin - ful, sick, and dy - ing; Shine out, for Je - sus' sake!

Notes of Thanksgiving to Zion's God

Sore on Lip Healed Through Zion's Prayers

—SOUTH DAKOTA, March 24, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

The awful sore on my lip, that I asked you to pray for, a few days ago, is all well, and I thank God for it.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) C. E. RICHARDS.

Thanks God for Deliverance of Boy

—OHIO, April 9, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

I received an answer to the letter I sent you in March concerning my son Carl.

I thank God that He heard your prayers in behalf of my boy, for he has not complained of his head or arm since.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. MAY B. WASHINGTON.

"Leaves of Healing" Received Kindly by Truth-Seekers

—ILLINOIS, March 17, 1916.

REV. W. G. VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace be to Thee!"

Since I have been doing Restoration Work, some have told me that they have given up the use of tobacco.

I find so many in bondage to drugs and medicine. They talk as though they believe that medicine heals them and that they would die without drugs, surgery and vaccination.

They are taught to trust doctors and drugs and think that anyone who thinks differently is very wrong. Only once in a while do I find one who does not use medicine. I advise some to read Revelation 21:8.

"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

I have put LEAVES OF HEALING in every house in my town, in business houses of cities and towns, in the college, in the hospital, in jail, county alms house and soldiers' home. Also in some saloons. Most of them are received kindly and by those who are seeking to know the truth.

Oh, the awful indifference of some who answer, "I am too busy." "I haven't time," or "I don't care for any of those papers."

I realize that there is a wonderful work to be done in connection with ZION Literature, and very many interesting experiences for the workers.

I have read ZION Literature for fifteen years and have never tasted medicine, pork, oysters, never was vaccinated, nor attended theaters, balls, etc. since. I first saw in LEAVES OF HEALING that such things were not in accordance with the Bible teaching.

I have attended almost every Feast of Tabernacles.

Prayer has been answered for rain, for healing, for myself and for others.

I have been in ZION for fourteen years, and I shall always

be thankful for the many beautiful lessons which I learned in ZION.

With Christian Love and Prayer for the Faithful in ZION,
I am

Yours in His Name,

GRACE GREENWOOD CURRY.

Received Healing in Answer to Prayer

—SOUTH DAKOTA, March 20, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

Praise God for ZION and answered prayer!

I received healing in answer to your prayers for me on the 10th.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. A. L. GILGORE.

Praises God for Answered Prayer

—INDIANA, March 13, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to thee!"

I write to praise God, and also to thank you for your prayers. Our little boy is much better since I wrote to you for prayer, and I was able to lift my foot from the floor while sitting in a chair—something I have not been able to do for a long time.

Please pray for us again.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. MARTHA RHODES.

Rain Given in Answer to Zion's Prayer

—OKLAHOMA, June 1, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I received your letter, also we have had rain in showers during the time of prayer, and the rain was refreshing. We are having a dry season and crops are in need of repeated showers. **

For what we have received, we thank God.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. ANNA BURKHARDT.

BAPTISMS

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost" in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, on April 25th, 1916, by Elder Silas Moot:

Luke, Wellington Allen

Saskatchewan

Luke, Mrs. Emily

Saskatchewan

The following named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," Lord's Day, June 4th, 1916, in Central ZION Tabernacle, 2535 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by Evangelist V. B. Shumaker:

Aruppy, Mr. Ross

Illinois

Dutnall, Mr. John W.

Illinois

Goodin, Mrs. Edna Vada

Illinois

Hardy, Mr. Albert L.

Illinois

Hardy, Mrs. Martha

Illinois

Moor, Mr. George B.

Illinois

Schwencks, Mr. James E.

Illinois

Thousands Want a Zion City

The DESIRE for a Zion City must be accomplished by FAITH!

Faith must be followed by WORKS!

The immediate attention of the thousands who want a Zion City is called to the fact that on September 1, 1916, another payment must be made on the Zion Estate.

This payment, under the old arrangement made March 1, 1911, amounted to \$125,000.00; but under the new arrangement which has recently been effected, the entire amount, together with interest in full, that has to be paid, amounts to the comparatively small sum of \$41,500.00.

All who want a Zion City should appreciate what the General Overseer and General Manager have been able to accomplish, and should show their appreciation by an immediate response to this call.

Every person who wants a Zion City should consider this obligation his own individual obligation, and should realize that if he does not come forward to the full extent of his ability, then, so far as he is concerned, no matter how much he may want a Zion City, there will never be one built.

W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, is the General Manager, and every person, no matter where he lives, who wants a Zion City, should write him within the next ten days.

There is but one position for you to take, and that is: "If I do not do my full duty, then this obligation will not be met."

The Zion Estate does not ask for, neither will it accept, any gifts. We want Zion people to purchase the city lots, the acre tracts, the farms, the residential properties, or loan their money where it can be used for the extension of God's Kingdom.

Do not fail to WRITE TODAY and tell the General Manager he can depend upon you for \$100.00, or \$500.00, or \$1,000.00, or \$10,000, or more—whatever the amount may be.

An immediate response on the part of all who want a Zion City will make this matter a very easy one.

Earnestly praying that God will help one and all to translate the prayers, testimonies, and addresses of the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles into action; that He may touch your hearts, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully, in Jesus' Name,



GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES

FOR

ZION PEOPLE

To purchase FARMS from the Zion Estate—farms ranging in size from 20 acres to 123 acres, at from \$85.00 to \$125.00 per acre.

To purchase residential properties, in size from four rooms to twelve rooms, at from \$850.00 to \$4,700.00.

Now is the time for Zion People to make purchases, and to get located in and around Zion City, where they will have ecclesiastical, educational, and other advantages they cannot have anywhere else.

Zion Schools, including the Kindergarten, the Junior Schools, and Preparatory College, will be opened in September.

There should be, from this day forward, the greatest possible effort, with unwavering faith in God, put forth to dispose of all outside properties, so that one and all can come quickly, with all their resources, to help establish Zion City.

For information write to .

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building,
Zion City, Illinois

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

RESTORATION WORK

CHINA

Following is the report sent in by Apostle Francis M. Royall, Shanghai, China, for the month of April, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	542
"Leaves of Healing" given	294
"Theocrats" sold	4
"Theocrats" given	379
Chinese "Leaves" sold	1297
Chinese "Leaves" given	600
English messages given	480

Total pieces distributed.....3596

LITERATURE REPORT FOR MONTH OF MAY

Shanghai, China

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....	594
"Leaves of Healing" given.....	35
"Theocrats" sold	4
"Theocrats" given	486
English Messages given.....	160
Chinese "Leaves of Healing" sold..	1371

Total2650

SCOTLAND

Following is a report of Restoration Work, done by Mr. E. Cox, Linlithgow, Scotland:

Number of calls made.....	169
"Leaves of Healing" given	18
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	39
Messages given	169
"Theocrats" given	5
Voice from Zion given.....	6

Total pieces distributed.....237

ILLINOIS

Following are Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago:

Miss H. Buhmann and Miss B. Schelhorn

Week ending June 26, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	300
"Leaves of Healing" given	72
"Theocrats" given	232
Messages given	344

Total pieces distributed.....948

Mrs. Hinkston and Mrs. Peetz

Three weeks ending July 5, 1916:

Special calls made..... 6

"Leaves of Healing" sold	255
"Leaves of Healing" given	15
"Theocrats" given	7
Messages given	1292
German tracts given.....	42

Total pieces distributed.....1611

Mrs. Kemmerle and Mrs. Gillespie

Two weeks ending June 25, 1916:

Special calls made..... 8

"Leaves of Healing" sold	45
"Leaves of Healing" given	6
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	30
Messages given	3000

Total pieces distributed3081

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

Two days, June 22nd and 24th, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	54
"Leaves of Healing" given	34
"Theocrats" given	22
Messages given	550

Total pieces distributed.....660

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyt of Hampton, Illinois sent in the following Report of Restoration Work done during the Month of June 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	32
"Leaves of Healing" given	2
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	6
Messages given	20

Total pieces distributed.....60

Mrs. Catherine Caldwell of Zion City, Illinois did the following Restoration work from January the 1st until June 30th, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" mailed.....	910
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(35c each week)

OHIO

Following are Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio:

Mrs. W. B. Barrowcliff and Mrs. C. W. Fulton

Two weeks ending July 2, 1916:

Calls made 75 |

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....	40
Messages given	65

Total pieces distributed105

Mr. Wm. B. Barrowcliff and Mr. Chas. W. Fulton

Two weeks ending July 2, 1916:

Calls made 60 |

"Leaves of Healing" sold.....	36
Messages given	50

Total pieces distributed.....86

The Leaves of Healing come as a Breath from Heaven

—SCOTLAND, June 9, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

Truly ZION is the oasis of the desert, the rock of refuge in a weary land. The LEAVES OF HEALING come as a breath from Heaven, carrying the message of faith, hope, and love, amidst all this turmoil and strife and war of the nations, each nation calling upon its man power, preparing for the great struggle which is yet to come.

When we see vast millions of men, facing each other in one great death grip, we see on every hand the signs betokening the end of the age, the awful apostasy of the Churches. Members of these churches smoke and stink and spew, drink beer and whisky, eat swine's flesh and call themselves Christians. When you speak to people about it, they say, "I don't agree with you, I see no harm in it." While some reject the message, others are glad to receive it.

I gave a copy of the LEAVES OF HEALING to a man. The next day we happened to meet. He said, "I should like to ask you a question." I put my hand into my coat pocket and drew out my Bible and said, "Any question that you may ask must be answered by this Book."

"You do not believe in medicine?"

"No!"

"Did not God give us the herbs for medicine?"

"No; this Book answers the question, 'And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.'"

His companion said, "Well, I do not see why God should cause Christians to suffer so. We had a preacher and he was a good man, and gave much to the poor. He suffered very much with cancer. Just before he died, he said, 'Now for the great secret.'"

"That was not a statement for a Christian to make," I replied.

"Well I do not see why God made that man suffer such pains."

"This Book answers your question, 'So Satan went forth from the presence of the Lord and smote Job with sore boils, from the sole of his foot unto his crown.'" Job 2:7. Here is some more proof, "and I read in St. Luke's Gospel, 13th chapter, verses 10-17, and in the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 10, verse 38, 'How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.'"

They had not a word to say; they did not know such was in the Bible.

I find so many people willing to accept anything but the truth. The truth they do not want. When out on Restoration Work last, I rebuked some people for buying Sunday Newspapers. I offered a man a copy of the THEOCRAT. He said to me, "Before I take it, will you tell me if it is against the United Free Presbyterian Church?" I said "Yes!"—"Then I shall not take it," he answered.

I had previous to this given him some ZION Literature and the truths had cut deeper than I had thought. He was a member of said church, but not a Christian.

I thank God for ZION, faithfully preaching the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD in these last days.

Your brother in the Christ,

(Signed) E. Cox.

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ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

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For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

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"All right—more lead by all means," the dealer would reply.

The other week, the dealer wired that he would take an enormous consignment if the price were cut another 10 per cent.

"I can't cut the price another penny," the manufacturer wired back.

"Put in more lead," wired the dealer. "Impossible" was the reply, "last lot I shipped you were all lead."

And so it is with some people. They are constantly clamoring for a lower price and forcing the manufacturer to put in "more lead."—Cottrell's Magazine.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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To the Officers and Members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion:

*Grace be unto you, and peace,
from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ!*

IN the glorious work which God has so graciously committed into our hands, we have had many joys, but never a greater joy than the joy which this day fills our hearts — that His time has come for the re-establishment of Zion Educational Institutions.

The wonderful story of what has been done to re-establish Zion ecclesiastically, commercially, and politically would fill a large volume, and would make some of the most interesting reading of any history ever written — not even the history of the most thrilling events in the career of God's chosen people excepted.

It was in the year 1898 that John Alexander Dowie, Founder, under God, of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, at the afternoon service on October 16, spoke, in part, as follows:

"As the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church, with its many branches now throughout the world, I have felt it to be absolutely incumbent that we should found a college for the instruction of those who are workers in the Seventies, and for the instruction of those who will study for the ministry in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church. Therefore, we have asked God, Who has given us the Spirit of Instruction, to enable us to gather around us a staff of instructors who shall help us in establishing Zion College.

"I want to tell you now that Zion College is about to be established, bless God!"

True to his declaration, he proceeded to establish Zion schools in Chicago, and then, when the gates of Zion City were opened, Zion Schools were organized and continued — the Kindergarten, Junior Schools, Preparatory, Ministerial, and Night Schools — until, in 1905, the first faculty had grown from eighteen to seventy-five, and the number of students, from twenty-nine to two thousand one hundred and thirty-six.

When the time of great testing came to Zion, the entire organization was shaken — ecclesiastically, educationally, commercially, and politically. Zion Schools were discontinued, and for ten years now public schools, supported by state taxation, have been operated in Zion City.

During these years of reconstruction, we have done the best we could, all the time thoroughly conscious of the fact that Zion must have as soon as possible her own schools, where the Bible would be the main Text-book; where Zion Literature would be faithfully taught; where the spiritual training of the children, youths, and maidens would be given first place; where one and all would be taught how to pray, and would emerge from Zion Educational Institutions true to God and to Zion.

The time has come!

We are now perfecting plans to open Zion Educational Institutions Monday, September 18 (this date may be changed; if so, announcement of same will be made in ample time, in LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT), — the Kindergarten, with two teachers; the Junior Schools, with probably thirteen

teachers; the Preparatory College, with four or five instructors.

These schools will, in every sense of the word, be ZION SCHOOLS.

No child will be accepted in the Kindergarten or Junior Schools, unless either the father or mother, or both, are members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in good standing.

In the case of orphans, the individual responsible for same must be a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in good standing.

No young man or woman will be admitted as a student in Zion Preparatory College who is not a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, in good standing.

Any others than the children of members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and any others than young men and women, members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, who may have a desire to attend Zion schools, may, if they wish, call and see the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, who will also be the President of Zion Educational Institutions.

We will do everything within our power, and all that is right, to help such applicants to God, and to show them that Zion City was established by Zion people, for Zion people, and as a private home of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion; that we are here to train the children and the young people, and one and all, for God and for Zion; that Zion is God's movement — a dispensational movement — marking the close of the Gospel Age and the beginning of the Millenium.

These schools will be so organized that all of the children, youths, and maidens in Zion can get a good education.

We propose to support these schools by the assessment plan.

Zion is a nation!

Zion is God's nation!

The subjects in this nation should each and every one have a part in supporting Zion Educational Institutions.

We have, as yet, said little or nothing regarding money to support Zion Educational Institutions.

God has called us to establish Zion Schools, and we propose to go forward with unwavering faith in Him.

The following extracts from letters show how the Holy Spirit is taking hold of some of the people:

Zion City, July 17, 1916.

Dear General Overseer:

Desiring to help further the movement for Zion schools, I herewith hand you \$20. We earnestly pray God's blessing on the work in hand to that end.

Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Dear General Overseer:

Please accept \$5 to help the Parochial Schools in Zion City.

Faithfully yours,

Here is \$10 for the Zion Schools.—

Birmingham, Alabama.

Find herewith \$10 for Zion Schools.—Zion City.

\$10 for Zion Schools.—Eskridge, Kansas.

\$10 for Zion Schools.—Zion City.

\$10 for Zion Schools.—Zion City.

\$5 for Zion Schools.—Zion City.

\$2.12 for Zion Schools.—Zion City.

I enclose \$10 for Zion Schools.—Chicago.

One thousand people with the same spirit as the above brothers and sisters would mean the greater part of the amount necessary to carry on all of Zion's Educational Institutions.

We are very happy to receive these voluntary contributions, and we sincerely thank, in the Name of the Lord, the givers, and assure them that the money will be used to His honor and glory.

We believe, and so do our advisors, that the proper plan is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools, this assessment to be made on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each and every one.

There may be within our membership a man and his wife who have no children, and who are amply able to support these schools to the extent of twenty-five dollars or more per year. There may be a man and his wife, with nine children, who are unable to pay more than two, three, or five dollars a year. There may be single individuals with no one to care for but themselves, with property and with a good income, who can contribute substantially for the support of these schools.

In this way, all would do their part, and all of Zion's children, youths, and maidens would have splendid opportunities for getting an education.

We expect this fund to be sufficient to provide help for parents who find themselves unable to pay for all of the text-books for a number of children.

We are God's servant, and a servant of Zion people, and we will stand by them day and night, come what will, and do all that is within our power to see that all are treated fairly, justly, and righteously.

We expect, in return, the Christian love and hearty co-operation of one and all.

The assessment made for our school year can be

paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly, in advance, or semiannually, in advance.

Any one who professes to be Zion who is not filled with unbounded enthusiasm for Zion schools, is either in ignorance, or the heart is not right with God.

The training of these children, youths, and maidens (now almost one thousand) is, from many standpoints, the greatest work that the General Overseer has to do.

The building of Zion City calls for investments, not for gifts; the ecclesiastical department, including Zion schools, will accept gifts.

We expect that Zion schools will, within a few years, have a substantial endowment.

Scores of thousands of dollars invested in the commercial department of Zion have been given to the ecclesiastical department, and there is no doubt but that many people who have made investments will want them to go to Zion schools. Such investments, when turned over to Zion schools, will remain as investments in the commercial department, and the interest only used for the support of the schools.

Here is one of the grandest opportunities that God has ever given to men and women.

Zion College Building, a picture of which appears on the front page of this issue — a very beautiful and substantial building, costing, approximately, \$150,000 — can be redeemed any day, as one of the assets of the Zion Estate, for the small sum of \$27,500. Here is a wonderful opportunity for some man or woman in Zion, to whom God has given means, to come forward and redeem this building, and take it out of the Zion Estate and make it exclusively and absolutely the possession of Zion Educational Institutions.

The establishment of Zion Educational Institutions gives one more opportunity for faith and service, and all Zion people ought to rejoice.

You will receive, with this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING, as a supplement, a beautiful picture of Zion children, youths, and maidens. This picture should be framed and hung in every Zion home, and prayer should be offered every day in every Zion home for this company, which is the future Zion.

They must be trained for God, and the only way to do it is to put them into Zion schools!

The command to all Zion is, "GO FORWARD!"

With Christian love, and praying God to guide, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully God's servant and yours,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

The Establishment of Zion Schools

By Apostle Wm. S. Peckham

"But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.—Daniel 12:4

"Nevertheless, when the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?"

—Luke 18:8

AMONG the many signs set forth in the Word of God, that are to accompany "the time of the end," the two given in the passages of Scripture at the head of this article stand out most prominently—the increase of knowledge, and the lack of faith on the earth.

In all the activities of life, men are trying to get along without God. He has been crowded out of the political realm; the commercial field; the educational sphere; and, even in the religious world, human knowledge has supplanted Divine faith and wisdom, until it is literally true, as stated by the Psalmist:

The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.—Psalm 10:4.

Knowledge without faith in God is a curse!

The prophet Daniel, with clear vision, saw the remarkable increase of knowledge at "the time of the end."

The rapid increase of institutions of learning and research along all lines of human knowledge is one of the marked features of this day and generation.

Great colleges and universities have arisen, as in a day, with multiplied millions of endowment; and large numbers of graduates

from these schools are going forth each year to responsible positions in the world, without any knowledge of or faith in the One True and Living God—the Source of all wisdom.

THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH GOD RAISED UP ZION

ZION has been brought into existence for the great purpose of calling the people back to faith in God and in His Word, and to prepare a people for the rule and reign of Jesus Christ upon this earth, as King of kings and Lord of lords.

Therefore, ZION leaves God out of nothing, and puts God FIRST in everything.

For the sake of convenience, ZION's work is carried on under four separate and distinct departments—ecclesiastical, educational, commercial, and political; but ZION's work is ALL ONE, and run solely in the interest of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

The devil has played his trump card in getting the Bible out of the schools of this land. Working through Romish and Jewish influence, he has succeeded in creating a condition in the public schools which justly entitles their being called "godless schools."

Rome, which has added to and taken from the Word of God; and the Jews, who reject the New Testament and make void the prophecies of the Old Testament concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, have influenced legislation and blinded the eyes of a liberty-loving people, so that today there is no place for God, prayer, or the Bible in the educational system of our country.

If the state can have the children day after day, and keep them from being taught the fear of God and the keeping of His commandments, then the devil will not need to work very hard to secure recruits for his kingdom.

CHILDHOOD THE FORMATIVE PERIOD OF LIFE

During the first ten years of a child's life, the impressions are made which will govern him throughout life.

As are the children, so will be the ZION of the future.

While God and the Bible have been shut out of the public schools, ZION demands that God's Word shall be the chief Text-book in the education of her children. Therefore, ZION must have her own schools, and set up a standard of education quite different from that of the world.

It is a sad commentary upon all systems of education that God and His Word are wholly ignored during the formative period of the lives of the children and youth of the land.

The heads of the youth are crammed with facts, and the heart is neglected and the development of Christian character wholly lost sight of.

The Word of God declares that "knowledge shall vanish away; and only faith, hope, and love shall abide."

There is too much time being given to perishing things, and too little to the things which endure.

Knowledge is not the principal thing: "WISDOM IS THE PRINCIPAL THING."

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom"—and God is the Source and the Giver of wisdom.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, Who giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.—James 1:5.

GODLESS SCHOOLS THE DELIGHT OF THE DEVIL

As long as the devil can keep the children in "godless schools," and in a democratic environment, throughout the week, he does not care how much preaching is given to them, or to the older ones, on Lord's Day; for he knows quite well that a royal generation of Theocrats will never come forth as the product of the public school system.

John Alexander Dowie realized the importance of ZION educational institutions, for he established them before he founded ZION CITY.

ZION schools are absolutely necessary for the establishment of ZION, and the future of ZION demands that her children be trained up with Theocratic ideals.

Think of schools in ZION CITY where the Bible cannot be read, because of the law of the Supreme Court of the state forbidding it; where no prayer can be offered in Jesus' Name; where ZION literature cannot be taught, and where the General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION cannot go

and teach the children of ZION, and over which he has no spiritual control!

From a ZION standpoint there is not one good reason that can be advanced in favor of the public school system of education.

The devil is well pleased with the public schools, as now constituted; for the devil is a first class Independent, and all the Independents rejoice with him.

How the devil hates the thought of ZION schools!

The organization of the ZION Schools will be the very hardest blow that ZION has yet struck the devil's kingdom.

He who teaches the children of one generation will mold the future generation, without a shadow of a doubt!

The impressions of youth are the most lasting, and decide the trend of the future life.

Baptists might just as well send their children to Roman Catholic parochial schools, and expect them to come out Baptists, as for ZION people to send their children to the Public schools, and expect them to come out Theocrats.

Some of the graduates of the Public schools in ZION CITY have shown far more enthusiasm over their "dear" alma mater, than they have over ZION.

No greater honor could be conferred upon any ZION young person than to receive a diploma from ZION schools; for it would be an equivalent not only of intellectual attainment, but of Christian character.

The educational institutions of this land, for the most part, are hotbeds of immorality and infidelity, as every well informed person knows. Starting a boy to college is equivalent to starting him on the road to hell; for there he learns to gamble, to drink, and to commit the grosser vices; and few escape.

The importance of ZION Schools cannot be overestimated. The ideal is to have schools which will supplement the work of the church, and which will not counteract the work and teaching of the leader of ZION.

No true ZION person could for one moment oppose the starting of ZION schools!

Unity must cover all the activities of ZION, and the Schools must not be the exception.

The Public schools belong to the old order, and ZION Schools belong to the new order—the Theocracy.

Right incentives must be held before the youths and maidens.

To know God and to know how to pray is more important than all other knowledge.

Christian character is the end of all true education. Any education which does not include the spiritual training of the child is a curse, and foreign to THE KINGDOM OF GOD. A true Christian training will be given in Zion Schools.

A ROYAL GENERATION DEMANDS ZION SCHOOLS

A royal generation in ZION cannot be raised up under the public school system. These schools have no more place in a ZION community than has the devil in Heaven.

The graduates of the public schools are versed in the wisdom of this world, which is foolishness with God; but they know very little about the wisdom of God.

They know more about Mammon than they know about God; more about the prince of this world than about Jesus Christ, the Prince of Life; more about the leadership of Alexander the Great, and of Caesar, and of Napoleon than of the leadership of Moses, and of John Alexander Dowie; more about the eloquence of Demosthenes than that of Aaron; more about the wisdom of Socrates than that of Solomon; more about the learning of Bacon than that of the Apostle Paul; more about the heroes of war than about the heroes of faith; more about the history of the United States and other nations than about God's people; more about democracy than about Theocracy; more about pagan mythology than about the Word of God; more about the Magna Charta and the Constitution of the United States than about the principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD and the ten commandments; more about athletic sports than about Restoration Work; more about Independence Day than about the Feast of Tabernacles; more about the "government of the people, by the people, and for the people," than the "government of the people by God and for God."

"LET US HEAR THE CONCLUSION OF THE WHOLE MATTER: FEAR GOD, AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS: FOR THIS IS THE WHOLE DUTY OF MAN."—Ecclesiastes 12:13.

ZION SCHOOLS

Addresses Delivered at the Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, July 23, 1916, by Apostle Eustace L. Carey, Apostle Anton Darms, Deacon Theodore Forby, and Deacon W. H. Clendinen.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

APOSTLE E. L. CAREY

I will read in God's Inspired Word, the Third chapter of the Second Epistle to Timothy, beginning at the 13th verse:

But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. (Verses 13 to 17)

In thinking about this subject today, I turned to Timothy. I thought of Timothy because it was written of him that from a child he had known the Holy Scriptures. I thought of him, because, in connection with this subject, I thought of the Bible.

I thought of the object of getting hold of these children and teaching them—the great object which is to teach them first of all about God; and if we can teach them about God and teach them to love the Word of God, then our part is well done and everything will come out all right.

You may teach a child arithmetic, algebra, Latin, Greek, and a lot of other things—and many of the things they are teaching today in various schools are all right; but the trouble with the schools is, they are leaving out the most important of all teaching—teaching of God's Inspired Word.

Some of them think they can get along without God, and they boast about it. As the General Overseer has told you today, they are talking in some quarters about eliminating most of the Bible.

It has been quite plain for some time that these things would come to pass, and it is evident that the time is coming when they will take the Bible and take out what they want, and leave what they wish.

This is a City of God. There is no other City in the world today that can be called a City of God.

Thank God we are here to fight this battle to a finish. We are here for truth and righteousness. We are here to build a City for God, and that means boys, and girls, men and women who will love and worship God.

Are you going to take your chances and wait until these children grow up before you start in to teach them about God?

God forbid!

ZION, are you going to stand for that?

Are you going to sit idly by and let your children be taught in schools where God is left out?

Are you?

That is the question here today!

We will bring this thing right home to you.

ZION's children must and *will* be trained for God!

We are interested in the salvation of the children.

ZION understands the situation. ZION is going to take hold of this thing, above everything else, and train the children in the fear of God.

ZION MUST do it!

ZION is GOING to do it.

This is ZION and ZION CITY.

We have our Bible School here on Lord's Days, and for three-quarters of an hour we talk to the children about God and His Word. We propose to have them every day and to train

them spiritually, psychically, and physically for God and His service.

ZION and ZION CITY have been established so that we can work out the purposes of God.

God put it into the mind and heart of His servant to build ZION CITY, and, under the direction of God, he went about his work and planned a City for God.

It was a glorious day when the first sod was turned on this beautiful site. Men and women came here, thanking and praising God that a ZION CITY was to be built. We all hailed the news joyfully, and we said, "We will go up to ZION—the ZION of God! What if it means going a thousand miles? What if it means leaving father and mother and other dear ones? What if it means leaving property? We will go up to ZION; for the time has come when God has founded ZION, and ZION CITY, and we will go there and work for God."

We have come together here and have our Tabernacle. Thanks be to God. How good our God is! His eye is continually upon ZION and He will guide her. Here we are in this blessed place, and the power of God has been manifested here, and we are here today to worship Jehovah.

The time has come for ZION to establish her Educational Institutions.

Come forward and do what in you lies, father, mother!

I was reading this morning about Reuben. Joseph was in Egypt and his brothers were there also; but while he knew them, they did not know him, and they were greatly troubled because of the things which were happening against them—things which Joseph allowed for a purpose. And Reuben turned to them and said, "Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and ye would not hear?"

I thought to myself, "They sinned against Joseph." And then I thought, "What if men and women here, stand back and say, 'Oh, it does not matter—our children get along pretty well'?"

Are you prepared to have the guilt upon you that will be yours if you do not do the bidding of God? Are you willing to have the blame for the injury that shall come upon the children placed at your doors?

I say to you today, ZION, sin not against the child! Sin not against the children! Today they cry out to us, saying, "Take us, ZION, and train us for God! Save us from this teaching that we have today which is of the devil—teaching that is not of God: from these things in this atmosphere that are against us every day of the week! Save us from these things!"

How can you say, "It does not matter?"

Are you prepared for the result?

May God help you today to see what these things mean!

May God help you to say, "I will do my part."

This is ZION!

This is ZION CITY!

We must have everything in this City under our control, and we must pray and work until that comes to pass.

The one thing before you and me today is to get hold of these children. If we go forward and do what God wants us to do, He will bless us; but if we stand back at this time and refuse to do His bidding and refuse to take the responsibility that God has put upon us today, then it will be an evil day for us.

We are going forward, by faith in God, to labor for God—for the children of ZION, and for future generations.

Will you do your part?

It is for you to answer *yes or no!*

May God help you!

APOSTLE ANTON DARMS

Brothers and sisters in Jesus the Christ, I put myself on record this afternoon as being vitally interested in the move the General Overseer is about to make in establishing ZION Schools for our children.

He has said that it is the most important of any work that he has undertaken, and I desire to add to that statement that it is the most important work that this church has undertaken under the General Overseer's administration, as well as the most important work that lies before you and before me.

In taking this step, the General Overseer is merely laying the foundation for the future—merely making the real beginning for the building up of ZION.

In taking this step, the General Overseer will be able to put into practice the first words of Holy Writ—"IN THE BEGINNING GOD."

If we have not reached the place where, with our children and with the generations growing up, we can put into practice the first words of Holy Writ, how can we expect to see the fulfillment of the numerous prophecies contained in the Bible, especially the promise of the coming of Christ?

Somewhere in the Word you read the statement,

If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

The foundation of all true civilization has been recognized to be the Word of God. The Common Law of England and the Jurisprudence of America rest upon the Decalogue—the Eternal Word of God.

ZION's future, the shaping of Christian character in the hearts and minds of our children, rests upon the fact that we shall be able to impart to them the proper teaching from the very time they begin life.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.—Proverbs 1:7.

In Acts the Second chapter and the 39th verse you read the words of the Apostle Peter:

For the promise is unto you, and to your children—

The Apostle Paul, in the Sixth chapter of Ephesians, admonishes us:

And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

That is in perfect accordance with the teaching of the Old Testament, where you find the words, in the Fifty-fourth chapter of Isaiah the 13th verse:

And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children.

That however is the very opposite of what is the condition of affairs throughout all this broad land in the public schools. I believe every state in this Union has made the decree that none of the children shall be taught of God; that none of the children shall be taught of the Word of God; that none of the children shall be taught what it means to follow Jesus the Christ and be ready for His coming, which means the rule and reign of God.

This is a Country of Democracy—a Country where God has been shut out of the affairs of the nation; where God has been shut out of the public schools.

As long as ZION continues to let Democracy teach her children, she never can have a Theocracy. A Theocracy in ZION can only be built by building upon the foundation of the ETERNAL WORD OF GOD.

The rule and reign of God in ZION has hardly begun.

God has taken you and me—the products of monarchies, the products of democracies, the products of republics, the products of apostate churches, the products of every evil thing under Heaven, and has saved us, healed us, and brought us into His KINGDOM and made us citizens of ZION.

However, with the very best that can be done with this generation, a true Theocracy—the rule and reign of God—will hardly have begun.

At our very best we are but the products of both evil and good elements, which have entered our lives from the time of our birth.

There is no one who has more for which to be grateful to God, for having received the blessings of God in ZION, than myself; and yet, I realize that I would be better off today, by far, had I never been brought into contact with many evil environments, and had I been kept free from many accursed things—

such as strong drink, drugs, swine's flesh, and other things forbidden in the Word of God.

What wonderful opportunities there are before us in ZION to bring up, not only one child here and there, but an entire generation, free from every accursed pollution that is destroying humanity today!

If, with all these limitations, with all these spots and wrinkles, existing among us because of the conditions and environments in which we were reared in the apostasy, we are compelled to call this ZION—the ZION OF PROPHECY—what shall we say of a generation which is being reared in ZION without these spots and wrinkles which are still cleaving to us on account of an evil heritage? Shall this new generation growing up in ZION not become, in deed and in truth, a glorious Church, without spot or wrinkle?

Perhaps the same thing will have to take place in ZION that took place in Israel of old—the old generation had to perish, their carcasses had to fall in the wilderness, because they were not willing to go forward and follow the messenger of God, obeying the call of God.

Therefore, it may be necessary for God to let this generation pass away. But what of our children?

The younger generation brought up out of Egypt were the ones upon whom Pharaoh had set his villainous eye; and those very children were to be the ones, when they were taught and trained of God in the Ten Commandments and precepts given by Moses, who were to enter the Promised Land and through whom the Theocracy in the Holy Land should be established.

Have you ever taken notice of the way God gave instruction for the training of those children?

I will read a few words from the Sixth chapter of Deuteronomy. The whole outline is given here of what it means to train the children in ZION today.

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates. (Verses 6-9)

ZION Schools will be able to put these words into practice: for there will be no ban put upon the mouth of any teacher in ZION Schools. There will be no ban put upon anyone who is given charge of these Schools, to refrain from teaching the fear of God, which is the beginning of wisdom.

The Schools will be opened with prayer, and the Word of God will be made the main Text-book. The children will be taught reverence for God's House, and they will be taught what obedience to father and mother means.

Our teachers have done the very best they could on behalf of your children under the circumstances in the public schools; but their efficiency to help your children will be greatly increased in the ZION Schools.

In order to train up these children in ZION we must surround them with everything that makes for the creation of Christian character.

The main purpose of John Alexander Dowie in beginning the ZION Educational work was to teach the children and young people how to pray—how to pray to God in the Name of Jesus.

Therefore, we must put every influence around these boys and girls which will bring a proper environment of true piety and fear of God into their immortal spirits.

The Apostle Paul says:

Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.—Philippians 4:8.

It is these things we want our boys and girls to think about. It is not the heroes of American history, nor the terrible battles where blood was poured out for humanity—it is not these things we want our children to think about; but we want them to think about the HEROES OF FAITH, recorded in the gallery of faith in God's Word. Thinking about these things will make for true Christian character.

May God help us to see that it is not enough for us to say *amen* to this announcement of the establishment of ZION Schools.

But we must be ready to back up our amens with our substance, with our silver and gold, and with everything that is needed to make this work possible.

May God help each and every one in ZION, whether married or unmarried—and if married, whether parents or not—to see that it is their duty to do everything within your power to back up their leader at this time in establishing ZION Schools!

DEACON THEODORE FORBY

This is the greatest subject ZION has to consider at this time. There is none other to compare with it.

We read over in the First chapter of Proverbs, that the fear of God is the beginning of knowledge. Then over in the Ninth chapter, that the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom.

You see, therefore, where we must begin in our school work. We must begin with God! We must begin where the Bible record begins—"IN THE BEGINNING GOD."

It will have to be said to the shame of the State schools that they are predicated upon a wrong foundation; for they have taken the people as a body—cosmopolitan, Christian, atheist, agnostic, infidel, Mohammedan—and attempted to build that hodge-podge into a system of education.

We see what has been the consequence.

We have beings educated in the head, but devoid of any knowledge in the heart. God has been denied to them a place; because we will not get any higher than the instruction which we receive.

There is something else over here in Proverbs. In the Thirteenth chapter, the 20th verse:

He that walketh with wise men shall be wise; but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

Men and women have been turned out of the schools by the scores and hundreds and thousands, not equipped to deal with the problems that confront us today.

We are here for the purpose of building ZION!

Who has the first place in our hearts, in our lives—who, I ask, is our interest in?

Is our interest in this mass I speak of, which, as a system of instruction, cannot possibly lead us to a closer relationship with God?

I know it is not there.

Our interest is in Him Who is spoken of in Colossians.

I want to read some verses right here that came to me with a great deal of force this afternoon. In the Second chapter of Colossians, the 2nd verse:

That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ;

In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

That is what we have to do! We have to get CHRIST into the hearts of these young people, and then, I will tell you, our problems are all solved.

We must begin with the children. Better still, let us begin with the parents—before we begin with the children, let us have consecrated parents, whose hearts are aglow with the love of God.

I will read a few verses more in this Second chapter:

As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him:

Rooted and built up in Him, and established in the faith; as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

This next is a word of warning—a warning to us.

I tell you, I am afraid we have been pretty close to it, and got our hands burnt—

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Have we not been fooling with the philosophies of the world?

It is utterly impossible for us as a people to maintain our national existence and not have our ZION Schools.

You have heard the proverb:

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

That is our first aim!

Under the State, the mouths of the teachers are sealed. The State has declared, in the Supreme Court, under the constitution of the State, that God's Word cannot be read in the schools. How

then can any teacher, under the State system of instruction, impart the Word of God to the children?

We are not going to stand for instruction of that kind! It may be well enough for those who do not aspire to our high ideals to have a cosmopolitan school, a State school, where infidels and unbelievers may go to have their intellects trained; but it will not suffice for you and for me; because we are not only training our intellects, but we are training our spirits. And when we have our spirits trained, then all the avenues of information which God has for us are open to us. I say they are not open to the others, because they have not entered into the way whereby they may find out the truth. They are feeling in the dark after the philosophies of men.

However, we take Jesus the Christ as the Man of our counsel, and, with the Holy Spirit as our Great Teacher, He will guide us into all truth. All the knowledge which God has is ready for us to take and enjoy.

It is no wonder that such gigantic blunders are made by these scientists, because they have not the knowledge of God. The Key of Knowledge is not their's to turn to, and their reckoning is false.

In ZION, in our Schools, we can begin with God and we can ask Him to help us solve these problems and to open to us all mysteries. We shall be able to understand, too, for we have the True Teacher. He has told us plainly:

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

Therefore, we shall not go away ignorant.

May God inspire every one of us to determine to do our full share—yes, let us do a little bit more than our full share! Let us make this an individual business, and let us assist the General Overseer in every way we can in starting the ZION Schools.

We have nothing to compare with the importance of these schools.

A number of years ago, I think in 1908, I stood before Judge Landis in his courtroom in Chicago, arguing over some of these problems which have confronted us for years.

As I was contending for the assets of the then ZION Estate, I said to him, "Your Honor, your receiver has not inventoried the chief asset out there in ZION CITY."

"What?" he said, "Has he left something out of the inventory?"

"Yes," I said, "the chief asset."

He said, "What is it?"

I said, "The people, with their ideas and ideals."

And that is true. Our chief asset today, as an institution, is this people, with these children whom God has given to us—a heritage to be fostered and nurtured and made what Jesus would have them made.

That is our chief asset.

We must get these children trained in the knowledge of God, and get their young minds filled with Divine truths, so that they will be able to go out into broad fields and win hundreds and hundreds of others to ZION.

It is a case of life and death.

The nations of the earth, over yonder across the waters, are fighting today for their national integrity and national existence.

It is just as true of us.

We have something else to do besides satisfying ourselves. We have to think of the generations to come. We want to get these children grounded in the truth as it is in Christ Jesus, freed from the false philosophies and the infidel teaching of the world. Therefore, the children to come after us will be better, a thousand times, than we are or ever can be.

May God put that spirit into us!

As these young people enter the Schools in September, may we pray for them, may we be careful of the example we set before them, and of the words we speak in their presence! Let us help them to God, and, I will tell you, they will surprise us! I know they will!

I know what ZION Schools used to be, having had something to do with them for two years; and, imperfect as they were, owing to the mixture that had gotten in here—not all gold, you know, but some sand and gravel—they were so far in advance of what the schools outside are, that it was indeed a joy to be connected with them.

Today I see the results of ZION Schools in a large number of young people who are bright and shining lights in ZION.

We can do better in the years that are to come. We have had the experience of the past, and I believe we are building upon a more sure foundation than ever. Let us go forward and win these young hearts to God!

May God bless you!

DEACON W. HURD CLENDINEN

I consider it a great honor to be able to have a part in the reestablishing of ZION Schools, which were originally established in the '90's.

The General Overseer said some few days ago in his address, that he wanted to establish ZION Schools that he might show some of the finished product; and that is what every ZION person wants to see.

ZION is divided into four departments for convenience—Ecclesiastical, Educational, Commercial, and Political.

We have the Ecclesiastical, we have the Commercial, we have the Political, and now we are about to put on the fourth wheel and have the Educational. Going as we are, we are like a wagon without one of its wheels, and while we make some progress, it is very slow and very inconvenient. We are going to fix up the old vehicle now, and put on the other wheel, which is very important if we expect to get far in this time of swift communication.

The ambition of every ZION person's life should be to see the coming generations established in these truths; to see them trained up to be true ZION men and women.

Daniel was trained properly, devoted his life to the study of God's Word, and when the test came he had the right ring.

That is the kind of ZION people we want to turn out.

You cannot do much with the older ones. There is just a little of the latter end of our lives which is being spent in ZION.

We propose to take the young people and the children and bring them up properly—see that they are surrounded by the proper environment, and that they have the proper influences.

Schools, like mills, are judged by their grist; although, they might all be put into one class—a class of unbelievers.

"With all the schools in the world, why do you want to establish another one?" might be asked by some.

Well, there are no ZION Schools in the world, and that is why we want to establish one. We are not satisfied and we cannot get along without one more school—a ZION SCHOOL.

This means something to you. For one thing, it may mean harder work, more determined effort. It *will* mean more consecrated lives; because we are not going to have the easiest kind of sailing in this thing. It will be one of the hardest licks the devil has had for a long time, and, of course, he will resist it. He will come to you in different ways—probably try to make you have a little fear or doubt. You must be on the look-out and be prepared for him; do not let him slip up on you. Make up your minds, after what has been said this afternoon, that you are going to stand for ZION Schools through thick and thin; that you are going to pray for them, work for them, and do what you can to establish them!

When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant **AT ONCE!**

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into Zion, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into Zion and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into Zion, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!



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ZION'S WATCHWORD FOR THE YEAR 1916

**"Watch ye,
Stand fast in the faith,
Quit you like men,
Be Strong." 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Faithfully
Yours in
Jesus' Name

What It Means to Follow Jesus

Report of Early Morning Meeting, Lord's Day, May 18, 1913, Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all bow in silent prayer, and Elder Peckham will ask God's blessing upon this meeting.

PRAYER BY ELDER WM. S. PECKHAM

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, hear the earnest prayers which have gone up to Thee this morning, and grant unto us the presence and power of Thy Holy Spirit as we worship Thee in this place.

We thank Thee for the Lord's Day, and its many privileges and opportunities in Zion. We thank Thee, O God, for the people whom Thou hast gathered from the ends of the earth, into whose hearts Thou hast put Thy laws and Thy commandments—Thou hast written them, as graven upon stone with an iron pen; and we pray Thee that Thou wilt help us in this city to proclaim the Word of God in its beauty and its power, and to send out faithfully the "Leaves of Healing" and the printed page to earth's remotest bounds.

Oh, our Heavenly Father, we pray Thy blessing to rest this day upon leader and people, and upon all who shall bear testimony; and we ask that we may be witnesses, and that we may be true witnesses of the life of Jesus the Christ, and tell the story of His power to save, to heal and to cleanse: so that men shall believe in our Christ, come to know Him as a personal Savior—One to help them in every hour of distress, every hour of trial. And we praise Thee, our Father, that Thou dost come into our lives, and that as we draw near to Thee, Thou dost draw near to us and manifest Thyself to us.

We thank Thee, O God, for communion with Thee. We thank Thee for the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit in our hearts. We thank Thee that day by day and hour by hour we know what it is to draw our life from Thee.

We pray Thy blessing to rest upon us today; and help us, in this hour of worship, to get the blessing which God has for us: because our minds and hearts are set upon Thee and because we have entered into the house of God with delight, and we are before Thee as those who would learn, as those who would get from God the blessings that He has for us.

Help this people never to be satisfied with present attainments, but to press on to greater and better things.

We pray Thy blessing to rest upon the services of the day. We pray Thee to bless the Juniors, and help them, Lord, to get the truth of God into their hearts and to come to a knowledge of the Truth, that it may keep them in all their ways, in all the coming days till Jesus comes. And we pray Thee that there may be a generation come up in Zion that shall know the Christ and the power that works within.

We pray Thee that Thou wilt establish Thy people in the Word of God, and that Thou wilt help us to glorify Thee day by day.

Bless us this day in the afternoon service. Give to Thy servant, the messenger to the nations, the power to proclaim the wondrous Word and to call the people together and to establish Zion not only in Zion City, but throughout all the earth; that men may come to a knowledge of the times in which they live, and may read the signs of the times. Oh, how free they are to read the sky, and the things about them, and how forgetful of the mighty Word of God that points to Jesus and His coming!

Oh, our Father, bless the service in Chicago this day. We pray Thee to go with us and to guide us by Thy Spirit, that there may be no uncertain sound to the trumpet, but that God's Word shall be proclaimed and His people inspired, and that Thy Kingdom may be built up, Thy will may be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Bless the people throughout the earth who gather under the banner of Zion. We pray for dear Elder Viking in China, and his helpers and associates. Grant, O God, that they may this day be blessed, above all other days, as they gather in their places of worship, and that they may be a light in the darkness, and the filth and the sin, and the sickness, and the sorrow of that afflicted land. O God, have mercy upon those who have carried to them a divided Gospel, and who have not given them the Water of Life!

Oh, we pray Thee that Thou wilt bless our dear Elder Powell in South Africa, and dear Brother Harris in Jamaica, and the dear ones all over the world. Thou seest the faithful ones, the "chosen of God;" oh! be with them this day. Let Thy Light and Truth go forth from Zion to all the earth, and we pray that many who now sit in darkness may see the "great light" and may come to "the rising" of Zion; and we pray that Thy holy people may go on from day to day.

Keep us and draw us, O God, by Thy Holy Spirit's power into a sacred nearness to Thyself, and may this service be to us the very gate of Heaven. May we, O God, know more of what it is to follow Christ, what it means to be His follower, and go on from day to

day in Thy way—everything laid upon the altar, with only the thought of service of our God, the honor and glory of His name.

May all these earthly things take their proper place, O God; may they not be supreme in our affections, but may God be supreme; His Kingdom over all; and the will of God and the honor and glory of His name uppermost in the minds of every man, woman, youth, maiden, and little child in Zion.

Guide us, O God, into all truth. Give us, we pray Thee, the power to serve Thee better and to do greater things for Thee. Oh, help us to be willing to serve Thee in the lowest place: help us to be willing to be any where, so that we are a part of Zion—a part of this great movement which shall culminate in the glorious coming of Christ the King and the establishment of His Kingdom and the reign throughout the glad thousand years! Hear us for Jesus' sake, and in His name. Amen.

Nearer, My God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee,
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me,
Still all my song shall be—
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

Though, like a wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone,
Yet in my dreams I'd be—
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

There let the way appear,
Steps unto heaven;
All that Thou sendest me,
In mercy given:
Angels to beckon me—
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

Then with my waking thoughts,
Bright with Thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs,
Bethel I'll raise;
So by my woes to be—
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

Or if, on joyful wings,
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be—
Nearer, my God, to Thee!
Nearer to Thee!

GENERAL OVERSEER: We will read in the third chapter of Colossians.

The Religion of Jesus the Christ is the Most Reasonable Thing in this World

God asks nothing unreasonable.

You will notice that the Apostle Paul begins this chapter with the word "If."

"If ye then be risen with Christ."

He does not expect any one who has not been raised with Christ to do the things that he sets forth in this chapter.

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

The margin has "mind"—"Set your *mind* on things above, not on things on the earth."

Oftentimes a person's body is in one place and the mind somewhere else. That is the reason why some people who attend the House of God do not get any good out of the service at all.

You have often heard people say, "I am sorry I cannot be there; I will be present in spirit though absent in body."

Now, I would rather have an audience of that kind any time, than to have one of the other kind—people present in body and the spirit absent.

They used to tell the story about a very wealthy man that I knew, who, while the preacher was preaching, would be figuring up on his cuff how much his cattle would come to at so much a pound, providing they weighed so much. How much good could that man get out of the sermon? None at all.

So, there is such a thing as being absent in body and present in spirit, and such a thing as being present in body and absent in spirit; and then there is a still further thing: there is a lazy, good-for-nothing class that prefer to attend the meetings in spirit while absent in body. No doubt there are a number of that kind in ZION CITY this morning. There are only the three things.

"Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth."

It is impossible to perform any task without concentrating the mind. And you can never get anywhere in the Christian life without having the mind concentrated properly.

"For ye are dead."

Now, that is true in more senses than one of the human family, speaking in general, if we stopped right there and put a period after the word "dead." "For ye are dead."

Man Through His Corrupt Nature Reaps a Terrible Harvest of Death

There are many different kinds of death. The Bible says that to be carnally minded is death; that is, to follow the flesh. And it also says:

"She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she lives."

"The wages of sin is death."

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection, for on such the second death hath no power."

There is a first death and a second death referred to in the Scriptures. Those who have a part in the first resurrection are proof against the power of the second death.

The Bible tells us what the second death is, it defines the second death.

"And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death."

"In the day that thou eatest thereof, dying thou shalt surely die."

God spoke those words to Adam and Eve. The meaning is: "In the very day that ye partake of the forbidden fruit, dying, ye shall die."

"To be carnally minded is death."

Now, this verse in Colossians says, "Ye are dead."

"Ye are dead." Death is used in the sense of having no life. You say of some people, "They mope around like they were dead." You say, "He gets around like a snail;" or, "Give me that broom; you are moping around here like a snail. I could have swept the whole house while you are sweeping this one room."

Death is the opposite of life.

There are plenty of people walking around that are dead. They are dead while they are walking around,—they have lost all that vivacity, and that sparkle, and vim, and life.

I talked here on Tuesday afternoon on John 15:7:

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

The first question I discussed was: How do we get to abide in Christ?

Maybe that is the trouble with some people: they have never gotten to the place where they have been linked up with Christ.

Sin Breaks the Connection Between Men and God

The way to get into Christ is just as the Bible sets forth. Sin has separated us from God.

We have to be reconciled to God; and that is what Jesus the Christ came for—to reconcile us to God.

First of all, a man must be convicted of his sins. People have to get under conviction. There is no such thing as repentance where there is no conviction.

The first business of the Holy Ghost, according to the Scriptures, is to convict the world of sin, is it not? The first business of the Holy Spirit is to make people miserable.

"Convict them of sin!"

That is what preaching is for: to convict people; it is not to entertain people.

You have to be convicted of sin.

There is no use of people professing to start in the Christian life that have no conviction of sin.

I tell you, some people haven't a very tender conscience. If they had, they would not do things they do. A finely educated and a well trained conscience, under the power of the Holy Ghost is a great monitor; and, I tell you, that conscience will get after a person very quickly if there is a single side step from the path of righteousness. You do not have to have somebody come along and tell you; you know at once.

A Christian Will not Ask, "What Harm?"—But "What Good is there in a thing?"

The trouble with people is they are always asking, "Well, what harm is there in this thing?" A Christian never ought to ask that question.

It is a disgrace for a professing child of God to ask the question, "What harm is there in this thing? What harm is there in going to a theater? What harm is there in dancing? What harm is there in playing cards? What harm is there in horse racing?"

A converted man will say, "Well, what good is there in it?"

"What harm is there in taking a glass of whisky?"

"Well, what good is there in taking a glass of whisky?"

"What harm is there in tobacco?"

"Well, what good is there in tobacco?"

There is no good in a cigar; there is no good in tobacco; there is no good in whisky;—there is only hell in them. There is no good in theater-going.

What I have said about theaters is borne out by the manager of the Great Opera, who declared that practically every woman connected with the Grand Opera was immoral.

Now, you people who have such a hankering to go and hear some of these singers, just remember when you go to hear a lot of them you are listening to harlots.

He made a proposition in the press for the organizing of a Grand Opera with women who were moral, stating that he had scarcely ever met one who was moral.

The institution is from hell! There is not anything good in it; it has been bad from the beginning.

One of the earliest pamphlets Dr. Dowie printed was entitled, "The Drama," where he sets forth the filth of the Greek plays.

The question for a Christian to ask is, what good is there in a thing. Now, if there is no good in it, let it alone: it will be a serpent that will bite you.

Conviction!

I like to see a sinner under deep conviction—miserable.

There is something in a ZION sermon that sticks.

I was reading in my Scrap Book yesterday what Ex-Governor Hoch said about your sermon (addressing Elder Huston) delivered on the street corner in Chicago. He said, "I stood on the street corner and heard a ZION sermon; and, while I do not believe in the 'ism' of Dowie, I do believe in that fellow's speech." He said, "He exhorted to a clean life, abstinence from the poisons of whisky and tobacco; he preached the love of God among men; and," he said, "I believed in every word of his sermon. On the other corner was a Socialist who preached anarchy and damned everybody in sight." I want to print those words.

The Power of God in the Zion Message Brings Conviction

Now, that has often been done in ZION. The people must be brought under conviction. You know, I have to convict these people that are at home sleeping this morning—sleeping the sleep of death. That is what they are doing: sleeping the sleep of death! Giving their bodies rest at the expense of their spiritual development. Why, you people will go home from this meeting and you will feel far better than they will.

Now, after people are brought under conviction, there is not anything more to be done until true repentance is accomplished; and ZION makes that very plain so that everybody can understand it.

Then, after they have made a good job of repenting—not half way but complete—God will do His part. There is no trouble about God doing His part; the trouble is with the people—they fail to do their part.

Man's part is to repent and to confess his sins, and to make restitution to the utmost extent of his ability and power; and he will never be happy until he does. Then, the next thing is to obtain Faith, and Obey.



The officers, members, and friends
will be taught to love and serve

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Now, I have outlined your part.

We were talking about getting into union with Christ,—because there is no such thing as abiding in Christ until a union is formed.

That is your part.

What is God's part?

God's part is to regenerate you, is it not? To justify you and to sanctify you.

Abiding in the Christ a Continuous Process, which Takes Place After the New Birth

Now then, you are in union with Christ.

"Abiding," is a continuous process; it is a continuous state.

"Feeding" on Christ, and "abiding" in Christ, are two different things.

You are "feeding" on Christ this morning. You are here for a spiritual meal; but "abiding" in Christ is all the day long, year in and year out.

After you have come into union with Christ, you can break that union; and the question is: Although you may at one time have come into union with Christ, how long did you abide in Christ?

Herein you see the failure to get answer to prayer. If you ABIDE in Christ, and His words in you, then you shall ask whatsoever you will and it shall be done.

There is no greater joy that can come to a real man or woman of God than just taking a promise and putting it right up to God. Put that promise right up to God and demand its fulfillment. You can do that when you are right.

There is nothing irreverent about that, because God bids you prove Him, doesn't He?

God bids you prove Him; that is: "Just put Me to the test, now and see."

Now, people who have had the teaching in ZION and will not pay their tithes, they do not believe the Word of God—they make God out a liar. The man who says, "I cannot afford to pay my tithes," makes God out a liar, doesn't he? Yes, he does.

But God says, "You prove Me, now, and I will show you." In another place He says, "Concerning the works of My hand command ye Me."

I want you to get this. I tell you, if you went to the bedside of the sick, you would realize the importance of this.

It is not very nice for the General Overseer to have to go out to the bedside of sick persons who belong to this Church, and then have them begin, as soon as he sits down, to tell him they haven't been very faithful, and they haven't done this and haven't done that. Oh, if God will only heal them they are going to do so and so!

It is mighty hard work for me to have any sympathy with a man that has heart trouble, brought on by chasing the almighty dollar. It is mighty hard work for me to have any sympathy with such a man, or woman either. They were not doing it for Christ's sake.

When a man has been abiding in Christ and that union is broken, what then?

You cannot get "whatsoever ye will" then.

You may break the connection between this motor here and Waukegan. Let somebody cut the wire, and I'll warrant you there will be no music on this pipe organ this afternoon. Our organist will never get a sound out of that pipe organ until that connection is restored.

That is just the trouble with a lot of people. You Elders are very faithful, but some of you are wearing your life out to no purpose—do you know that? You are working over people, and the connection between them and God has been broken for years.

Sam Jones used to preach a great sermon on, "Ye are the Light of the World." When he got through once, he said: "A lot of people will curse me from Dan to Beersheba and say I have come to town and put their light out. I did not put it out; I just kicked the old bushel over which had been covering the candle, and you found your light had been out for years. I just kicked over the bushel, and behold the light was out."

In this service this morning, if I can just help some one to see that the connection between him and God had been broken, why it will be worth a hundred thousand dollars.

I know whether I am abiding in Christ.

You know whether you are abiding in Christ.

I am trying to make this as simple as I can. I have been thinking a great deal about it.

Where is the trouble? Where is the difficulty?

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask whatsoever ye will and it shall be done unto you."

Feeding on Christ Produces Spiritual Life and Activity

Now, if you have three good meals a day, spiritual meals, you should be strong spiritually. In the morning you read the Word and pray,—that is a good meal; and at noon you lift your heart to God in prayer, and if during the day, you have a little Bible in your pocket, or one of the books of the Bible in a little booklet form in your pocket, and can read a few verses, why that is another good meal; and then at night you read the Word of God and pray; and you have three or four spiritual meals a day. That is how you feed on Christ.

Abiding in Christ is a continuous thing, but feeding is not a continuous thing.

Now, I will tell you (while I do not want to digress very much on this), I think the trouble with some of the people here in ZION is that they have spiritual stomach trouble. That is the reason why I want you to go to Chicago next Lord's Day and give out some of what you have been getting. Why, it will never do in this world for us to sit around ZION CITY, eating all these heavy spiritual meals—spiritual cake, and spiritual pie, and spiritual pudding, and keep eating all these things. Why, they will kill you. You will be surfeited, eating all the time and giving nothing out.

Why, there is no other place in the world like ZION. That is a fact; you know it as well as I do, and people that attend our meetings say it. There is no other place like ZION; there is no other service like a ZION service. There is no place where the arrows of truth are shot like they are in ZION and from a ZION platform.

Now, then, there is your part. You say, "I have done these things." Then God has regenerated you.

To be regenerated means to be born again; to become "a new creature in Christ Jesus."

It says here, "Ye are dead;"—of course, the rest of this qualifies it.

"Ye are dead."

Now, I believe there are people that are actually dead; there are no signs of life.

A Church that is Not a Witnessing Church is a Dead Church

I want to get everybody in this Church to the place where they will pray in the house of God. It seems to me a dreadful thing that a person who has been born again cannot pray. I want to get every one to the place where they will testify. Why, it is an awful thing to think of a child that never says a word of thanks to father or mother; and you cannot even say, "Lord, I thank Thee." That seems a dreadful thing.

"Ye are My witnesses." We have to be witnesses for God.

I hate to see these boys and girls growing up here and not testifying, and not praying in the sanctuary.

While I am on this point, I want to say this: I am going to make attendance at morning worship in ZION INDUSTRIES compulsory.

I am going to have a magnificent organization here,—one that is worth while. When I go down to ZION STORES, I am going to see every manager and every employe in the Institution at morning service.

If you are abiding in Christ, your thinking machine is all right. Take a thousand people: I wonder what all has been in their minds in the last week. "As a man thinketh, so he is."

A man who is abiding in Christ, his thoughts will be all right.

A Person's Thoughts are a Sure Index to His Character

"Well," some people say, "I cannot help thoughts coming in my mind." Then they get off that old lie—that old maxim (and most maxims are lies), that you cannot prevent the birds from flying over your head but you can keep them from building nests in your hair. Did you ever hear that? There is another one, that those who live in glass houses should not throw stones. Every time you go to whacking sin, they say, "Well, now, those who live in glass houses better not throw stones." Another favorite saying of the devil's is—when you go to firing dynamite bombs at sin: "Why don't you preach the Gospel? What do you

want to be talking about theaters for? Why don't you give us the Gospel? What do you want to be talking about tobacco and whisky for?" Some old smoker, or some old drunken reprobate will say that: "Why don't you preach the Gospel?"

Now, the thoughts a person has depend to a very large extent upon the company a man keeps, and they also depend upon what a man reads. I tell you, sometimes when I see with what eagerness some people devour Chicago newspapers, I wonder what kind of thoughts they have in their heads. Dr. Dowie used to call them "literary sewers;" and that is what they are. They are filled up, for the most part, with divorce scandals, affinity entanglements, murders, robberies, suicides.

I tell you, a person whose reading matter is murder stories, and suicides, and highway robberies, and divorce scandals, I do not know whether he can have very much spirituality or not. I have my doubt about it; and, I tell you, there are books that are read which can only damn people by their influence.

"Evil Company Corrupts Good Manners"

If you want to have your thoughts right, you have to be careful of the company you keep. It is like a man said to me the other day about drinking: "Why," he said, "the curse of this world is the number of business men inviting people to drink." He said, "I have forty invitations a day to drink." He said, "It is the company a man gets into that is at the bottom of this drinking, and smoking, too." So it is.

Is not the mind a wonderful thing? Just see what a man can do! It is no wonder that the Bible makes so much out of what a man is; although, take the Psalmist, for instance, he could not see what there was to man that God should take any notice of him.

But think of a man's mind! Look at what man has invented! Look at the buildings man has planned and constructed, and look at the machinery. Why, they have machinery up here in the automobile works in Kenosha that has almost human hands. I went through there very hurriedly. I remember one row of machines where there was no man around at all.

The human mind! It is wonderful, marvelous, what man has invented! Just think of wireless telegraphy! Think of a ship away out in mid-ocean communicating with people on land! Think of taking a man's voice and preserving it on a waxed record for years and years—the exact tone of voice! It is wonderful what man has done.

"As a Man Thinketh, So is He."

I never expect to get very far with myself, nor with you, until I have your thinking right. Some people's thinking machine does not work right: it needs oiling, or something. It cracks, and there are cogs broken in it, and there are cobwebs in it,—it needs sweeping. I could talk for hours just on Mind.

Now, there are some people who have slovenly habits. Why, there are some women who look as though they hung their clothes on a nail, and walked under it and the clothes fell on them. (Laughter.) That is a fact and there are some men who look like tramps.

Right thinking!

When you are in union with God, and when you are living a clean, holy life, is not there an unspeakable joy about it?

Look into the eyes and into the faces of men and women who are living for the world, the flesh and the devil, get down deep into their hearts, and, I'll tell you, you will find they are going through hell. Hundreds and thousands of people who have started out early this morning, come home tonight with aching heads and aching hearts, and they will go through an indescribable torture.

Do you realize that the Lord Jesus the Christ put sin back into the thought?

A man can be a murderer that never shed a drop of blood. A man can be a thief that has never taken any property. A man can sit in an audience and be a dirty low-down adulterer who never committed adultery, so far as the outward deed is concerned. That is what the Lord Jesus Christ teaches,—that is what He says.

Before an act is committed, it is always in the thought. That is the reason why people finally do these dastardly deeds; because they entertain these thoughts and they nourish these thoughts; and at last these thoughts find expression in words,

and then they find expression in deeds.

You would not think of such a thing as going out here and cutting a slice out of the carcass of a dead horse that had been lying out there for twelve months, would you? But people, every day, take filthier things into their minds than they take into their bodies.

Now, then, if we are abiding in Christ we are going to think the thoughts of God; and if we don't, just to that extent we are breaking the union. The same will be true of our words.

Now, what a horrible world this is, ZION! What a terrible world it is! Take just two things in this world—oh, aren't they horrible!—profanity and vulgarity. Aren't they horrible! The condition of the rank and file of the people is awful.

The Devil Operates Upon the Heart Through the Physical Senses

Here are the channels: the eyes, the ears, and the taste,—and it is through these that the devil comes in.

You will see a wealthy woman go into a department store and steal a bolt of silk dress goods, but I'll guarantee she has been thinking about that for months, and maybe for years, before she does it.

The Bible says, "Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life."

"My son, give thine heart to the Lord."

Then we have those wonderful verses about the peace of God, like a sentinel, guarding our minds and hearts in Christ Jesus.

Thoughts, words and deeds!—and, I'll tell you, when you get them right you will be abiding in Christ and His words will be abiding in you; and God will keep you.

Now, what is meant by the words of Christ abiding in you?

You heard the sermon last Lord's Day, didn't you? You have forgotten, probably, all about it.

Hearing the words of Christ—receiving them—believing them—eating them, yes, eating the words of Christ—appropriating them—digesting them.

Now, you know, there are some people that can eat you out of house and home, and they never gain a pound. There is something wrong with the digestion there; they do not get the nutriment out of it. It is only what you digest properly that does you any good. Some people are poor because they eat too much. It is only what is assimilated and digested that does one any good.

The same thing is true spiritually. You may hear a sermon and it may not do you a bit of good; you may hear a chapter read and it may not do you a particle of good. It is only what you receive, and believe, and eat and digest, that becomes a part of you and is lived out in your life. That is all that does you any good.

That is what is meant by abiding in Christ and His words abiding in you.

He goes on to say, "Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit, He taketh away."

A Fruit-bearing Life Impossible Without Abiding in the Christ

If you are non-fruit-bearing, you may know that the union with Christ has been severed.

If you have not a deep love for the Word of God, you are not abiding in Christ.

If you did not have a strong desire to come to the meeting this morning, if you had to whip yourself, almost, into coming,—the flesh would say, "No, I won't go! I won't go!" and then you had another thought, and then another battle, and it took you three hours to get up and come,—I say you are not where you ought to be. You haven't that desire, that appetite.

Why, if you parents went home today, and your four children were outside, and you call, "Dinner is ready," and one of them says, "No, I don't want any," you get alarmed and say, "What is the matter? Are you sick?" I know when I was a boy, if anybody missed a meal they were sick. You would be alarmed if you had to take your little boy at noon and drag him to the table, wouldn't you?

Well, then, what about the dragging process to the house of God? Is it not just as bad an indication? It is worse; and people are not going to get any place unless they have that appetite and that desire in their hearts. People are not going to do that unless they have that desire in their hearts.

Now, then we come to bed rock:

"Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, He purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Already ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you."

Is a man abiding in Christ when he is growling? Is he abiding in Christ when he is murmuring and fault-finding, and as stubborn as the devil? Is he? No, of course he is not. Those are not the fruit of the Spirit, they are the works of the flesh.

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

A little further on this point.

Careless Habits the Cause of Much Suffering

Have you some sickness, some affliction, this morning?

Have you rheumatism? Have you gout? Have you stomach trouble? What is your trouble? Do you know what you have to do? You have to search whether there is anything in your life, whether there is anything you eat or drink that is the cause of that trouble. If there is, give it up, give it up! Give it up! Maybe it is a cake that is doing it. (Laughter.) "Well, I will never give up my cake." Maybe it is pie that is doing it. There is no doubt that many a person sleeps in the grave today who was sent there by pie. Maybe it is hot bread that is doing it. Maybe it is something that, oh, you do like!

I have known persons to be perfectly healed when they quit coffee; and I have known of some who had to quit coffee or die. I have known some to be healed when they quit tea.

Maybe there is something that you are eating or drinking that is causing the trouble. Are you willing, if you can discover that, to give it up? You really think you are. Well, you are willing this morning, but how about when it is placed before you on the table?—there is where the battle comes in.

I believe we have some people who are ailing and are more or less weak and sickly, and their trouble is right along the line I have been speaking of this morning.

Then look at your habits. See if you cannot discover what there is in your life that is at the bottom of the trouble you are having.

You say, "I am just dead with corns on my feet." The trouble is you are wearing No. 4 shoes when you should be wearing No. 8,—that is where the trouble is. You can pray for forty years for God to heal those corns, and He will never do it. That is a fact. You know that just as well as I do.

Everything Proper to be Done to the Honor and Glory of God

If the people would just heed this chapter, in a short time we would have everybody healed, and everybody well, and everybody kept well; and unless you do do it, you cannot expect to receive these blessings.

There is no use quibbling; it is as plain as can be.

I know we are all more or less ignorant regarding a lot of things, we would like to know, but if we will all just adopt this motto, "Lord, I am going to do everything for Your honor and glory; I am going to eat for Your honor and glory, and I am going to drink for Your honor and glory, and I am going to sleep for Your honor and glory," we will be a great deal better off.

Some people are sick because they are sleeping too much,—it saps their life and their vitality, don't you know that? Whenever you oversleep you are sleeping the sleep of death. Of course, some people may be sick because they are not sleeping enough.

Sleep is nature's repair shop. Did you ever notice when a person goes to sleep how the guards, each one of them, go off duty? And then, in the morning, what is it that awakes a person? It takes a good deal to awaken some. There are some who are not awake yet, and it is ten minutes to eight o'clock. They are still sleeping,—God have mercy upon them! It is a dreadful thing to take the Sabbath for lying around sleeping, when the command is, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy."

Well, I want to read some more in this chapter.

A Truly Converted Man Must be Dead to the World

"For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." Meditate upon that.

"For ye are dead,"—that is, you are dead to the things of this world, they have no attraction for you.

If any of you here this morning have kind of an inkling or inclination to go to a beer garden, the Lord pity you! Have any of you a desire for a cigar? Do any of you women want a

cigarette, this morning? The Lord pity you! We ought to be done with the appetites of "the old man" and "the old woman."

Now, notice this, and see if we cannot better understand one verse than to read a hundred chapters and know nothing about them.

"For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."

My brothers and sisters, when a man is converted he is converted. God Almighty does not do His work by halves. When He regenerates a man, He regenerates him. I tell you, when I see a man falling every two or three weeks—smoking and drinking, why, I say he never was converted, that is all; and, I'll tell you, God can convert a man in Chicago and save him just as well as he can in ZION CITY, every bit. God can take away the appetite for tobacco and liquor, and He will do it in a second: and He will do it if men will let Him.

"For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."

"When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory."

"Mortify"—

What is the meaning of that word "mortify"?

"Put to death your members which are upon the earth."

God Commands the Destruction of All Evil Tendencies

We are going to establish a slaughter house here,—that is what we need in this Church: and then we will have a still more beautiful spirit in it.

There was a certain person visiting here the other day who used to be in ZION but who has been away for some time, and he said, ZION appears to me to be more united and to have a more beautiful spirit than ever before."

I believe that is true, but we still have a few stubborn people, and I am trying to get that stubborn spirit out of them. You pray that God will help me this afternoon to go for this stubborn devil.

It is kind of painful to see one of the children sitting off in the corner by himself when all the others are bright and happy. When I see seven of the children playing and romping and laughing, and having a good time, and then the eighth one sitting off in the corner—"standing on his upper lip"—it always makes me feel kind of bad. There is the trouble.

Now, "Put to death." We are going to commit murder here. Is it not strange that the Bible sanctions murder here? It does. It is like Elder Tindall said:—some people said, "What an awful thing that we are divided in ZION CITY!" but he said, "This division is of God! God is the author of this division!" Then the people began to open their eyes and see that God is sometimes the author of division. Who is the author of the division between the sheep and the goats? God is!

The Bible sanctions murder in this instance: "Put to death your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry."

That verse ought to be translated into more simple terms. There are terms there which I'll guarantee not a dozen people here know what they mean. Do all you Elders know what they mean?

"Put to death your members which are on the earth; fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desires, and covetousness, which is idolatry."

That helps out on two of these terms; inordinate affection—passion, evil concupiscence—evil desires.

All People Covetous of Money and Possessions are Idolaters

"And covetousness, which is idolatry."

I tell you, ZION, I have hammered away pretty hard on covetousness, haven't I? A little too hard for some people.

I want to see ZION prosperous, if it can be to the honor and the glory of God. I like to see a man make twenty thousand a year, if he will do it for God; but if he is going to do it to lay it up on earth, then I do not want to see him make a cent.

What I am after is to get the love of money out of the hearts of the people,—that is what I am after. We have no right to retain in our fellowship a covetous man, nor an envious man, have we, according to the Word of God?

It does not follow that because a man can get out and make a lot of money, that he loves money; that does not follow.

"For which things" sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

"In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them."

Elder Tindall was talking to a certain man who does not believe in any leader. This man used to be quite a farmer. Elder Tindall said to him: "Is that the way you used to handle your sheep?"—and he did not say a word. Who would think of turning a lot of sheep out without any supervision, just to run at their own sweet will anywhere and everywhere? You never saw a farmer do that, did you?

That is what some of these people want to do with the Church. They do not believe in any leaders or any officers.

"In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

"But now ye also put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth."

Uncontrollable Temper Should Be Subdued in Every Christian Life

I am astounded at how quickly professing Christians can become angry. I would almost like to have some of you here who have hasty tempers stand up, but then I won't do that, although it might be a good thing for you and the Church, too.

Hasty tempers; just going right off into a rage in a second.

Now, it is for you and for me, by the grace of God, to bring our tempers under control. The temper is all right—I would not give the snap of my finger for a man or woman who does not have a temper, but it is the uncontrollable temper that the apostle speaks of here.

Anger is temporary insanity. A man is not angry except when he is temporarily unbalanced. That is "anger" in the sense that it is used here.

A man may be angry with sin, and angry with unrighteousness and with every evil and wicked thing. That is a deep, righteous indignation.

Anger, the loss of temper, is temporary insanity. It is a brain storm—that is what it is.

Watch a person that is in anger—watch the cheeks. See how the blood rushes to the face, and, if you could test the heart beats at that time, you would find the heart beating several beats beyond normal.

There are husbands and wives that live like cats and dogs, and the way they carry on sounds like cats and dogs,—it is a good imitation. And there are brothers and sisters who live that way, too. Then, think of the way some brothers treat their sisters.

Now, I just wonder, as God looks down upon the homes of ZION and the home-life of ZION, what He thinks of us, and how near the home-life of ZION is to what it ought to be.

Many Unhappy Homes Caused by Foolish Marriages

A great deal of this domestic infelicity has come about through a lot of foolishness in marriage. There are some people married who never ought to have been married,—don't you know that? There is scarcely anything that is of greater importance, and scarcely anything where there is as much foolishness in this day and age, as there is in marriage; and there is not a girl who has disobeyed the plain teaching of God's Word that is not in hell this morning. Yes, they are in hell now. If they had done as the Word of God teaches they would not be in hell; but they thought they knew it all.

I tell you, it is a terrible thing; and it is not only for a day, you know, nor a month, nor a year; but when you are once in the trouble, you are in the trouble, and it is a mighty hard matter to get out of your trouble.

You ought to make your sons and daughters behave themselves; you ought to make them obey. If you do not know where your daughters are every minute of every day and night, you are not fit to be a mother; and if you do not know the company they keep, you are not fit to be a mother.

If you are doing your duty, your skirts are clear; if you are not, your skirts are not clear. If you sit around your home and criticize the General Overseer, and criticize the sermons, and criticize ZION, and your children go to the devil, blame yourselves, blame yourselves! That is the thing to do. If you are doing your duty, and have done all you can, and they will go to the devil, you can look up to God and say, "I have done all I can, and I cannot do anything with them."

"Anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

"Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds."

The Habit of Lying Is Increasing Everywhere at an Alarming Rate

Is not lying a terrible thing? Is it not an awful thing? One of the greatest studies in the world is the study of liars. This habit of lying is a common thing, today, among both men and women; it is a common thing among children; it is an awful thing! I would rather deal with a thief than with a liar.

You will find children that are liars, and you will find children that are thieves.

Lying! Where do liars go? Into the second death.

Lying is a terrible thing! You need to be on your guard. You need to pray to God to help you to be pure, and truthful, and honest, and upright; you need to pray it three times every day.

Some people cannot report a little event without lying. If they bought a hat for \$1.50, it cost \$4.00. They lie, lie, lie, lie; it is second nature to them to lie. It is an awful thing.

If there is a liar in this audience, may God help you to get down to business, and let us get that lying spirit cast out. That is what it is—a lying spirit. I heard a girl say, once, that she would rather lie than eat a Thanksgiving dinner,—and I believed her, too.

Judges of the Courts, and school teachers all over this country, say that there never was such a time when there were so many children who are liars and thieves in the schools as there are now.

Let every liar here stand up. (Laughter.) If you are afflicted with lying, let us see you; let us pray for you. There are a whole lot of people who are lying, this morning, first on one side and then on the other—the lazy scamps!

People will lie in business transactions, they will lie to get money, they will lie to get a loan, they will lie to get an accommodation. There is a class of people who will borrow five dollars, and say they are going to pay it back next week. And when they say that they never intend to pay it back. They have no more intention of paying that back when they get it than anything in the world.

"Lie not one to another."

There are Some Great Liars in this World

Now, these things are perfectly plain. It is for you and for me to see that the corrections are made in our own lives.

You have all heard the old story about the boy whose mother told him he must not go in swimming. He skipped out and went in swimming; and when he was putting on his clothes he got his shirt on wrong side out. He came home looking very innocent. His mother noticed that his shirt was on wrong side out and she said, "You have been in swimming." He replied, "No, mother, I haven't been at all." "How did you get that shirt on wrong side out?" "I did that climbing over the fence coming back." (Laughter.)

There are a lot of lies which are just on a par with that. The explanations some people give of their conduct are just on a par with that story. Every time they tell one lie, they have to tell forty other lies to get out of it. Did you ever notice that? All of you who have had that experience, put up your hands. (Laughter.)

What is it that makes people lie? Oftentimes it is cowardice. They get fear into their hearts, and it makes them lie. Oh, it is an awful thing, this lying business; and the world is full of it. Preachers are liars, and the churches are full of liars; and nearly everybody is a liar. Why, the business lies that are told in a day are as numerous as the lice of Egypt. It is awful, the lying that is done and it is so common that people do not think anything of lying.

"Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

"And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him:

"Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all."

Zion's Motto All-inclusive:—"Christ is All, and in All"

That is ZION's motto—"Christ is all, and in all;" here is where you find it.

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved,

bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering."

Those are beautiful traits. You cannot amount to anything unless you have the Spirit of Christ.

It makes no difference what I may want to do,—that is not the question. The question is, "What does God want me to do?"

Is it not a fact that in nearly every human breast there is an intense longing after vengeance against the one who has wronged another? Haven't you heard people say, "I will get even with him if it takes me twenty-five years to do it?" That is not of God; it is of the devil.

Vengeance is sweeter than honey; sweeter than the honey-comb.

About all that I remember of all the preaching I heard when a boy, was the story a minister told about two women in his church who had a row. He went to the houses of each of the women and tried to settle it. He talked to woman No. 1, and he could not do anything with her. She said to him, "I am going right over to her and give her a piece of my mind." He said, "Look here, sister: there are just two reasons why you should not do it. In the first place, you haven't any mind to spare to give her; and in the second place, if you have, it is not in the right condition to make a present of to anybody."

"A piece of my mind!" "I am going to have my say, and I will not shut up for you nor anybody else."

You see, there are a good many different kinds of characters in this world. We are as different as daylight and darkness. We are constituted differently; we do not act just alike; no two of us look just alike. The grace of God is the great leveler.

The Grace of God Enables One to Overcome Every Undesirable Trait of Character

Take, for instance, an Englishman: why, the grace of God is sufficient even for an Englishman. I have had Englishmen say to me, "Well, now, there is no use in talking: you know I am an Englishman, and we are a pretty stubborn lot," and so on and so forth. They seem to pride themselves in that. If any of you Englishmen are priding yourselves on being stubborn, get that out of your head. I do not care if you are an Englishman or an Indian—the grace of God is sufficient for you, even if you are an Englishman.

Then the Scotch: "I am a sturdy Scotchman. You know, we Scotch people are pretty stubborn." Yes, I know it; it is characteristic.

The study of nations is an interesting study,—the study of nations and languages.

The moment you say, "I guess so," in Australia, they know where you are from. The same way with, "Is that so?" I tell Elder Carey about something. When I get through he says, "Is that so?" Why, certainly; do you think I would not tell the truth? In Australia they say, "Fancy that!" The study of nations, and languages, and characteristics, is an intensely interesting study.

You know, down in New England, in cultured New England, in a church you can hear them saying, "How are you, this morning?" "I am nicely, thank you," or "I am very slim, this morning; very slim." I called on a woman once, and the girl said I could not see her as she was very slim. I waited two hours, and I saw three hundred pounds come wabbling down the steps, and I must confess I could not see where the slimness came in.

In New York they say, "I am very smart." "How are you this morning?" "I am very smart." Well, I would let other people say that.

Wonderful Unity and Fellowship in Zion Between Christians of Different Nations and Races

One of the most wonderful things about Dr. Dowie's ministry was how under it were gathered the people of all nations and languages and tongues, and all churches; and it is a beautiful sight to see them, brought from these divers sources, sitting to worship God together. And it is a marvel how well the people have gotten along together.

One trouble they had in ZION CITY was this: Here are people from the city and here are people from the country. Of course, in the country they speak to everybody; but in Chicago, for instance, you don't walk down State Street and say "Good morning! Good morning! Good morning!" to every man and woman on the street, do you? So we had the complaint, "There

is Deacon So and So: he is not sociable. I met him this morning and he never spoke to me."

Just stop and consider that you have to make allowances for people who have lived in big cities. They would not think of speaking to everybody—they would fool away half the day if they did; while people from a little country town, where they know everybody and everybody's business, too, speak to every one.

But Christianity is the great leveler.

What a wonderful thought it is that in ZION shall be gathered the Englishman, the Scotchman, the Irishman, the American, the Indian, the Chinaman, the Japanese, the black races, the yellow races,—from all nations, kindreds, tribes and tongues,—and that in ZION they shall dwell together in unity and in peace.

That is THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

Just one or two more verses here.

Here is what you are to "put on."

God wants you to put on "bowels of mercies, humbleness, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another and forgiving one another."

Do you know, the older I get, the more tender and considerate I feel towards humanity. If God has made me strong, it is for a good purpose; and woe unto the man that ever misuses any power put into his hands! The Bible says, "Comfort the feeble-minded," does it not? But it does not say that I am to encourage people in sin.

Charity Work in the World Conducted on a Selfish Plane

I listened to the address last Lord's Day evening in regard to charity work in Chicago, with much interest. There is an article in yesterday's *Tribune* where a woman had been helped during the last seventeen months to the extent of three hundred dollars, and it cost that organization five thousand dollars to administer that three hundred dollars—the salaries of the people who made the investigations, and so forth. And this woman, at the solicitation of one of these workers, went to a lecture by a lady on how to rear children, and, while she was there, two of her children were burned to death. All of the details are given there, showing that it cost that organization five thousand dollars to administer three hundred dollars worth of charity. That is fine charity, is it not.

That is well illustrated by my old story (sometimes I get in a little story, and you remember it and it helps you keep the point): A wealthy lady saw her little boy in the orchard eating apples by the peck. She remonstrated with him. He said, "I am doing charity work." "Charity work! What do you mean?" "I am throwing the cores over the fence to those poor children."

That is the way with these charity workers: they get five thousand dollars, she gets three hundred.

There is a whole lot of charity work that simply helps to extend the devil's kingdom.

I do not believe we ought to be imposed upon by anybody. That is one reason why I say that every bit of charity in this organization ought to go through the office.

Begging Carried on by Many as a Profession for Gain

There are all kinds of games played. In Australia, for instance, they will come up at the close of a meeting and say, "Well, your Riverence, that was a very fine sermon; rather long, but I enjoyed it. Say, your Riverence, will you help a poor man? I just got out of the hospital." In a great many cases they have taken a knife—you will find hundreds of them—and they have slashed their legs from the ankle to the knee, enough to make a scar; and they will say: "I just got out of the hospital; see, I was operated on for dropsy;" and they will show you the cuts where the doctors opened them to let the water out, and they have done that themselves—the low-down vagabonds!

Some one was telling me the other day about a certain fellow who had his arm all bound up, and he went into a jewelry store begging for money. He told the proprietor he had broken his arm in two places and the doctor has set it. This jeweler said, "I would like to undo that bandage and look at the arm. I am a doctor—I know something about surgery." He insisted, and he found there was not a thing on earth the matter with the arm—and he kicked him out of the door.

I have known them to go on crutches, and work all kinds of schemes. And especially does one need to be careful in Chi-

cago. You have had experience (addressing Elder Peckham), and your experience has been valuable to me.

Mrs. Sheldrake told there, Sunday night, how these people beg. They have a regular professional game they work: how a man will have a certain number of old women that beg in certain places; sometimes a certain number of children that beg.

Tramps and Vagabonds Should be Forced to Labor

There are all kinds of imposters and impositions in this world. You have to be careful about these things. Some of you are very sympathetic, and therefore I believe the proper thing is for every dollar that is given to help the people to go right through our office: and I think we are administering it very, very carefully, and very strictly, too.

Some people have a notion that ZION CITY is the dumping ground for anybody and everybody. Well, they will find out.

ZION CITY is the Headquarters of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION. That is what it was founded for and established for. It is not a dumping ground for anybody and everybody; and in undertaking to help some people, if you are not guided by the wisdom of God, you are helping them serve the devil.

When you give a man a quarter, and he buys liquor with it, you are doing wrong—you are committing a sin. Say to them, "If you are hungry, I will take you down here and get you a meal;" and you will find a great many of them will reply, "Oh, no! Cannot you trust a man with a dime, or a quarter?" That is what they say.

I never give a tramp anything at all. I believe there ought to be an ordinance in every city that every fellow caught begging should be put to work—should be taken by the police and put to work; and any man begging from house to house ought to be arrested. You will find that if you don't give these tramps just what they want, they will toss it over the fence. They have a certain mark which they put on the sidewalk or on the fence, so that the next fellow that comes along will know the kind of a lady that lives there.

But some say, "You must not forget to entertain strangers, because you may be entertaining an angel." Well, you have got to use your judgment there as to whether they are angels or not. You know, misplaced love or misplaced charity is a bad thing. But we have the Guide Book here, and that is perfectly plain.

"Forbearing one another."

Every Person Should be Trained to Use His Talent According to His Capacity

We must be patient with each other. I'll tell you where some of our friction comes in, and I want you business men and you thinking men to listen to it. A great deal of friction in an organization comes from having the wrong man in a place. As I have often told you before, it is just like an instrument, absolutely; if all the parts are not properly arranged, you are going to have a discord, and that is all there is to it. You must get the right man in the right place. And, another thing: You must not expect a man to do beyond his capacity; do you understand that. Whenever you do, you are going to have something break.

Now, if you were to jump on to me because I do not play that pipe organ this afternoon, you would be very unjust, very cruel; and you would be equally as cruel to the organist, and more so to the people, if you expected him to preach my sermon. (Laughter.)

Ah, this is a cruel world, a very cruel world. I delight to be kind to everybody and to help everybody; and if I see a person is willing, and earnest, and doing the best he can or the best she can, why I would rather take a thrashing than to undertake to press him beyond his capacity. The only thing you can do there, all things considered, is to make an adjustment.

Now, you know, you press a person beyond his capacity, and he goes to pieces. Here is a person that can do just so much; he can go just so far. There is not a woman here who can get half a gallon of tomatoes in a quart can,—you cannot do it, not one of you, and you know it. Now, if an individual has the capacity, to illustrate, of a pint, or the capacity of a quart, or the capacity of a gallon, or whatever the capacity is, that is as far as that person can go and he cannot go any further; and that is all there is to it.

ZION ought to be just like a magnificent machine.

Sometimes a lot of these difficulties and misunderstandings are caused by the language used. You say a thing to a person,

and oftentimes he understands just the opposite of what you say. That is where "forbearing" comes in.

That is the point.

True Discipleship Can Have no Divided Allegiance

Discipleship!

Do you know what it means to follow Jesus?

Do you know what Jesus demands of you and what He demands of me?

Jesus demands an absolute surrender; and I do not consider any man or woman a Christian who does not make it. He demands an absolute surrender! He will have no divided allegiance.—do you know that?

When the issue comes as between Christ and your father, which must you take if you want to be His disciple? CHRIST!

That is what He said. He demands an absolute surrender.

I want to go through this, this afternoon, if I can present it and make it the blessing to you that it is to me, and just show you how everything that God has is at your command.

It is perfectly plain in the Bible: "He that loveth father or mother more than Me, is not worthy of Me."

When the issue is drawn, you have to choose between Christ and your father. If your father stands in the road, which will you have?

Now, it does not necessarily follow that for a man to be a disciple of Christ he must reject his father, nor anything of that kind. He may have no opposition; but if the issue comes, and it is Christ or father, then it must be CHRIST. If it is Christ or mother, it must be CHRIST. If it is ZION or father, it must be ZION, or else there is nothing in it to amount to a row of beans.

"Oh," says a certain man, "yes, I belong to ZION, but I do not say anything about it at home. My wife is opposed to me, and my daughter is opposed to me, and in order to keep peace in the home I say nothing about it,—I just go along."

Is that what God demands? It is not what God demands.

An absolute surrender!

"If a man would be My disciple"—let him do what?

AUDIENCE: "Let him deny himself."

GENERAL OVERSEER: "And"—what?

AUDIENCE: "And take up his cross and follow Me."

That is what He says.

The Charm of Garibaldi's Call for Volunteers Based on Absolute Loyalty to Italy's Cause

I want to read you the statement of one of the most renowned men that Italy ever produced, when he went out for Italy's deliverance.

"The candor with which Jesus warned of this fact those who were debating his call for volunteers, was in part the secret of the charm He exercised upon His devotees.

"Garibaldi, setting out to effect the liberty of Italy, saw a company of young men standing upon a street corner, and he summoned them to enlist in the cause. They asked, 'What have you to offer?' He said, 'I offer you hardships, hunger, rags, thirst, sleepless nights, foot-sores in the long marches, privations innumerable. AND VICTORY IN THE NOBLEST CAUSE THAT EVER ASKED YOU!'—and they all followed him."

Now, then, I wonder, if the test should ever come: ZION. OR EVERY DOLLAR YOU HAVE! ZION, OR YOUR LIFE!—I do not know what tests God may permit before the Lord comes—I wonder what kind of a response we would have.

I always like to read over and over and over the words: "Choose each man what best becomes a brave Castilian!" You know, history is full of these shining examples. School boys and girls are more or less familiar with them all.

I am studying, as never before in my life, the teaching of the Word of God, and upon that Word I intend to insist. In ZION we must have the right kind of disciples, and no other kind; and I will never vary for the sake of ZION CITY, nor for the sake of anybody or anything. I want to know the conditions of discipleship as the Lord taught them, and insist upon them; and no leader cares for a half-hearted, half-surrendered, timid, faltering soldier.

Brave Castilians Decide Between the Riches of Peru and the Poverty of Panama

"Drawing his sword, he traced a line with it on the sand from east to west. Then, turning toward the south: 'Friends and

comrades,' he said, 'on that side are toil, hunger, nakedness, the drenching storm, disaster and death; on this side, ease and pleasure. There lies Peru with its riches, here Panama and its poverty. Choose each man what best becomes a brave Castilian. For my part, I go to the south;' so saying he stepped across the line. He was followed by the brave pilot, then by a cavalier. Eleven others successfully crossed the line, thus intimating their willingness to join their fortunes to their leader for good or for evil."

I say to you, ZION, that there never has been in history such an opportunity given to any body of people as that given to ZION today.

Will you allow the things of earth, time and sense, home, money, property, or anything, to defeat us in establishing ZION CITY and in making ZION what it ought to be according to prophecy: a light to all the world and a joy to multitudes gathered out of every nation and clime?

We can do it if we only will; and I say that the spirit that must possess every officer and member in ZION now, whether God ever calls for it or not, must be the spirit: "Yes, Lord, if the issue comes: ZION CITY, or house and lot, farm, money or life; I will choose ZION, and go forward." The question is, how many in ZION have that spirit?

In a Propaganda the Demand of a Complete Surrender is the Most Eloquent Persuader

In my extensive reading, I came across an article, written from a political standpoint, that has some very wonderful things in it. It is entitled, "Jesus, the Plunger." I want to read you an extract or two:

"Jesus was a plunger. And those who enlisted under Him were plungers. The prize they were out for was one of dizzying grandeur—freedom for themselves and for the world. But the odds against them were terrific. It was the greatest gamble in history. And because of the risk involved, along with the splendor of the prize if they won, they put themselves to it with an abandon that is perhaps the most inspiring sight presented since human records began. No palterers, they. Palterers had expressly been excluded by the terms of the call. With the paltering sort the Carpenter would not cumber his destiny. Every man and every woman in the movement was constituted of hero ingredients, and was touched into sterner indomitability by association with the Hero of them all.

"As strange as it may seem, the completeness of the surrender exacted by the Carpenter, instead of deterring people, magnetized them. He became their very joy and garland. The higher He raised the fence the more keen were they to climb it. Numerously they flocked to Him. So much so that He could no longer keep the commissariat replenished, and sent seventy of them away, two by two, that they might provision themselves in the villages where they should preach the propaganda. After the first few months His embarrassment was not the scant of followers, but the overabundance of them.

"It is illustrative of a fact in human nature which has not received the insistence it deserves. Namely, that in propaganda a demand of complete surrender is the most eloquent persuader. The human soul resents being coddled. It will respond to a hard summons with all its powers; but condemns a call couched in terms of ease and safety. When it was dangerous to be a Christian converts thronged the church's portal for admission."

Now, I consider those remarkable statements. They are statements that I intend to read a hundred times. There are principles set forth there, brethren, that a man may well ponder over for months. And I say in ZION: An absolute surrender! for ZION and the world will never come together. Therefore, in my preaching, God help me so to preach that only the true will be attracted. I intend to tell the people what it means to be a Christian, what it means to be a follower of Jesus the Christ. In that way I believe ZION will be built up in a substantial manner.

Zion no Place for Half-hearted Disciples

Oh, my brothers and sisters, when I kneel before my God in the early morning hour, I see this Church!—I am not blind, I am under no delusion. God has vomited thousands out of ZION who never had any more business here than the devil himself; and God will have to vomit out more,—you mark what I say. Oh, my prayer to God is, if it is necessary, that ZION CITY will come down to two thousand inhabitants.

God will work it out, and in time there will be no one in

this camp who does not belong here. And I would be glad, this afternoon, if every one that does not belong in ZION's camp would either get converted or get out. It is neither here nor there whether there are two hundred, three hundred, or four hundred. Here are the conditions of discipleship.

I Believe that Zion has the Message for the World

I believe it will fall to my lot, in the next ten years, to deliver God's message to the nations of the world; and it is a message that nobody else has and no one else can deliver, and it is a message that will strike terror into the hearts of the rotten, filthy, hypocritical mess that is called Christianity.

Talk about Christianity! Talk about being followers of the Lord Jesus Christ! I would be ashamed, this morning, if I could not say before God: I have just one desire, and that is to follow Christ faithfully.

"Well, don't you want a home?" "I am not bothering about a home. "Don't you want this? Don't you want that?" I want THE KINGDOM OF GOD—everything else has to stand aside. And if I had forty houses and lots, and a thousand acres of land, and a hundred thousand dollars, and I could not say, "Lord, I am your true disciple: make the call and it all goes—every cent!" I would be ashamed to enroll myself as a Christian.

"He that would be My disciple, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."

"If you are not willing to do that, you cannot be My disciple."

What am I working for, and what am I going to get at the end of it all; office of President of the United States, Congressman, the foremost place in the financial world, human laurels, the plaudits of men?

No, I am going to have the crown of eternal life, compared with which the most brilliant crowns of kings and queens and czars pale into insignificance!

It is worth giving up everything for.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is likened unto a treasure hidden in the field, which, when a man discovered, he went and sold all that he had and bought that field.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is likened unto a goodly pearl, which, when a man found, he went and sold everything he had and bought that pearl.

Zion's Leader Does Not Compromise to Gain Followers

And so will I, by the grace of God, give up everything in order to win that crown!—and if you don't do it, you will never win it.

I am not caring if you go this afternoon; I am not bothering if you leave this morning; I am not bothering if everybody in the Church picks up and leaves, and says, "I will have no more to do with him." I will deliver the message, red hot from the throne of God.

I am glad that I am where I can say, when I go out into city after city: "Ladies and gentlemen, save your breath: you are a fool to say what you think of my preaching. What do I care what you think or what you say? There is only One I care about, and that is God: what He thinks and what He says."

Has not that been the secret of my success in ZION CITY? And when I stand up and say, "The banner of ZION shall proudly float over all of ZION CITY site,"—God is able to bring it to pass, not man. And, I tell you, with the right kind of disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, we can go forward and we can make this old earth tremble! And I say to all officers and members: If this is not what you want, there are thousands of old apostate churches, go there and make your home.

That spirit can never be conquered.

As one man in Chicago said to me: "You are bound to succeed. You are a man of invincible purpose, and that is the only kind of a man that can ever succeed in a great undertaking." That is the point.

Now, let the people be filled with that spirit, and then we will do something. We will shake the world, and stir the world; and, just as this article says, there will not be a scarcity of followers. We will have Shiloh Tabernacle bursting, and we will have thousands coming to ZION CITY, and millions of dollars: for this is the kind of preaching that touches the hearts of true characters.

Oh, I thank God for His word!

Shall I make it easy for you? I will never make it easy for any of you. I will make it as hard as I can.

Jesus Made His Disciples Willing to Face Hardship and Persecution

My Lord and Master said: "You will follow Me, will you? You are going to be My disciple, are you? Well, let Me tell you something, young man: You don't know the first thing of what you are talking about. You see all these cities around here don't you?—a lot of beautiful homes, a lot of rich people? But just remember that I have not a place to lay My head, young man. I am not as well off as the birds are, or the foxes. Now, that is what it means to follow Me, do you understand?"

If He had been like the modern preachers, He would have said, "Oh, thank you! thank you! thank you! I am so delighted to see you. Just sign up a card and express your church preference."

Is that what it meant? He told them what it meant to be His follower.

It means something to be in ZION. It means nothing to be a Methodist, but it means a whole lot to be in ZION. It means nothing to belong to these little, old, rotten organizations that they call churches.

In yesterday's Chicago papers were the pictures of a number of young ladies who played in the three theatrical plays for St. Mary's Church that netted the Church one thousand dollars. Now, does it not make a Christian sick to look at such a thing and call it a church?

And another one said: "I want to follow Thee, Lord, but my father is dead, and I want to go to the funeral."

"Let the dead bury their dead: you come and follow Me."

That was pretty hard, was it not?

We hear a great many persons say, "Well, I cannot go this morning." "I cannot go next Lord's Day." "I cannot do this, and I cannot do that, and I cannot be anything." Doing nothing!

Christian Discipleship Means a Life of Faithful Service

You are ushered into the presence of God. "How long did you belong to ZION?" "Twenty years." "What did you ever do?" "Nothing!" "Did anybody ever help you?" "Yes." "Men or women?" "Both." "And you put in twenty years doing nothing!" When the books are written up, there will appear the name of John Brown, with nothing to his credit. Nothing! Doing nothing!

"Well, I made a garden last week." You let your old garden keep you from serving God. A million-and-one excuses!

Why, do you know, the best thing for ZION CHOR is going to Chicago next Lord's Day; and the best thing for ZION Restoration Host is going to Chicago,—don't you know that? And if it means some hardships, it is all the better for you.

When I stood before that large company in the Melbourne Tabernacle, and delivered an address, just before they drove to the station to leave for ZION CITY, I said: "My brothers and sisters, I will make it as hard for you to go to ZION CITY as I can; and if you are not the right kind of soldiers, stay in Australia. It is cheaper to go to the devil here than it is to go to ZION CITY and go to the devil. Are you prepared to break stones and live on bread and water, to build a ZION CITY?" And they all shouted, "Yes!" And when they got over here they very quickly proved whether they were or not.

Dr. Fitchet of Australia took up that statement of mine and wrote an article on it, and, among other things he said, "Voliva showed a great touch of genius;" and he said, "That savors of true teaching." So it does.

I demand an absolute surrender on the part of my supporters. I demand obedience, and I am going to have it, and I will not have anything else. That is the teaching of the Word of God; and we will never get anywhere until we do have it.

The Happiness of the True Christian Life Knows no Bounds

Let nothing come between you and God.

The thing for ZION people to do is to get everything they have in the world concentrated right in ZION CITY.

The thing for them to do is to apply every dollar, and every ounce of life, and everything, to this proposition: and if they are not ready to do it, they are miserable! They are miserable! They cannot be otherwise.

Get into ZION with your whole heart!

Against all the opposition and all the odds, look at the success that has been achieved here.

From THE KINGDOM OF GOD standpoint, ZION deserves every bit of help and every dollar ZION people can marshal; and from a cold blooded business standpoint, ZION merits every bit of help they can give.

Now, I am not begging anybody. I am laying down the conditions of discipleship, this morning, good and straight, and I am not bothering myself about anybody. God can take care of me,—there is not any difficulty on that line.

**You say, "I believe in and want a Zion City."
Then prove your statement by substantial help in making the next payment on September 1, 1916.**

ZION CITY—the only City of its kind in the world, and in deed and in truth a refuge for people who are sick and tired of conditions in the world—must be firmly established!

**It takes Zion men and women, and money, to do it!
Will you help?—or will you say, "Let somebody else do it"?**

May God lay it heavily upon every Zion heart that another payment must be made on the Zion Estate, September 1, 1916!

It is neither here nor there whether the General Overseer and the General Manager and a few others can, in some way, take care of this payment.

There awaits a great blessing for every officer and member in Zion who comes forward immediately and renders substantial help.

How much money have Zion people, in the aggregate, in outside banks? How much have Zion people due to them in the way of notes, bonds, and other forms of investments, which are now in the world?

In the building of Zion City you are neither asked, nor permitted, to make any gifts — all gifts must go to the Church or to Zion Schools, or, in short, into the Ecclesiastical Department.

You are asked to help pay for this Estate by BUYING the ASSETS.

Zion people who have hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of outside properties to sell, can easily and quickly raise a large sum of money by mortgaging these properties, at the same time continuing to work and pray for their sale.

Occasionally one says, when this suggestion is made, "Not much! You do not catch me putting any mortgage on my farm or property to help build any Zion City."

Christ gave up and left Heaven, sweat as it were drops of blood, and died upon the cross for you. How much are you willing to do for Him?

God has wrought wonders, and Zion City will be built and His People prepared for the coming of Jesus the Christ. As to whether YOU will have any part in it or not, is for you to say.

When God calls He expects an IMMEDIATE ANSWER, and He is not going to give you years to do what you ought to do TOMORROW!

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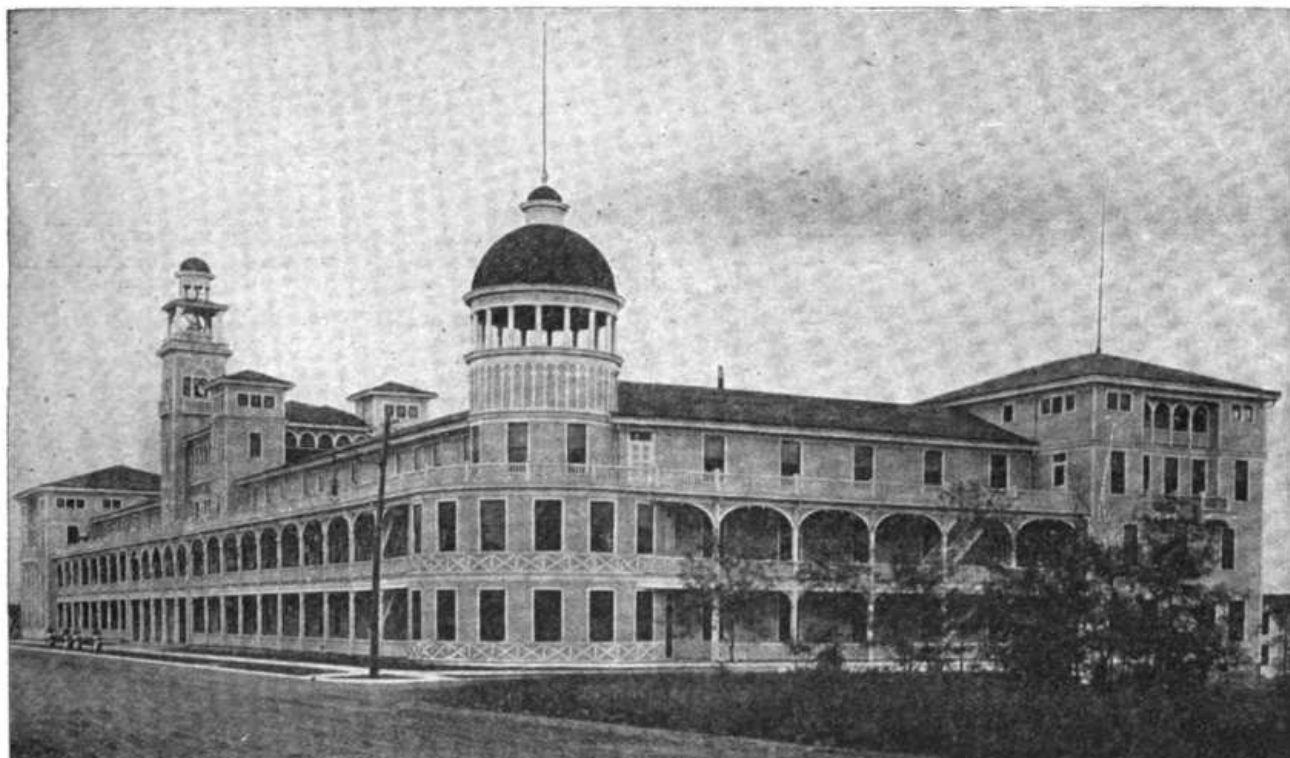
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The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

Thousands Want a Zion City

The DESIRE for a Zion City must be accomplished by FAITH!

Faith must be followed by WORKS!

The immediate attention of the thousands who want a Zion City is called to the fact that on September 1, 1916, another payment must be made on the Zion Estate.

This payment, under the old arrangement made March 1, 1911, amounted to \$125,000.00; but under the new arrangement which has recently been effected, the entire amount, together with interest in full, that has to be paid, amounts to the comparatively small sum of \$41,500.00.

All who want a Zion City should appreciate what the General Overseer and General Manager have been able to accomplish, and should show their appreciation by an immediate response to this call.

Every person who wants a Zion City should consider this obligation his own individual obligation, and should realize that if he does not come forward to the full extent of his ability, then, so far as he is concerned, no matter how much he may want a Zion City, there will never be one built.

W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, is the General Manager, and every person, no matter where he lives, who wants a Zion City, should write him within the next ten days.

There is but one position for you to take, and that is: "If I do not do my full duty, then this obligation will not be met."

The Zion Estate does not ask for, neither will it accept, any gifts. We want Zion people to purchase the city lots, the acre tracts, the farms, the residential properties, or loan their money where it can be used for the extension of God's Kingdom.

Do not fail to WRITE TODAY and tell the General Manager he can depend upon you for \$100.00, or \$500.00, or \$1,000.00, or \$10,000, or more—whatever the amount may be.

An immediate response on the part of all who want a Zion City will make this matter a very easy one.

Earnestly praying that God will help one and all to translate the prayers, testimonies, and addresses of the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles into action; that He may touch your hearts, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully, in Jesus' Name,



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Zion Schools, including the Kindergarten, the Junior Schools, and Preparatory College, will be opened in September.

There should be, from this day forward, the greatest possible effort, with unwavering faith in God, put forth to dispose of all outside properties, so that one and all can come quickly, with all their resources, to help establish Zion City.

For information write to

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building,
Zion City, Illinois

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It being our desire to encourage members and friends of ZION to take a quantity of the current issue of LEAVES OF HEALING regularly each week, we herewith make the following announcement:

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We have people on our list at present who are taking as high as twenty-five copies per week, others fifteen copies, some ten copies, some six, and some five copies per week. We desire to greatly increase this quantity list, and we trust that members and friends of Zion will respond heartily in this matter.

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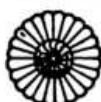
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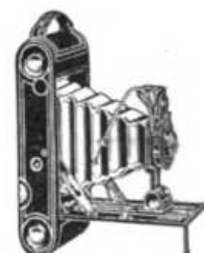
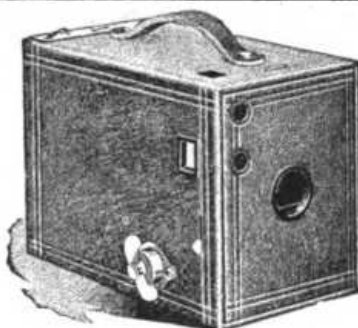
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"But I can't lower the price," the manufacturer would say, "unless I put in more lead."

"All right—more lead by all means," the dealer would reply.

The other week, the dealer wired that he would take an enormous consignment if the price were cut another 10 per cent.

"I can't cut the price another penny," the manufacturer wired back.

"Put in more lead," wired the dealer. "Impossible" was the reply, "last lot I shipped you were all lead."

And so it is with some people. They are constantly clamoring for a lower price and forcing the manufacturer to put in "more lead."—Cottrell's Magazine.

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I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

In Answer to Prayer, Wonderfully Healed by God's Power, of Severe Blood-Poisoning in the Right Arm

FAITH is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."
—Hebrews 11:1.

The secret of this wonderful testimony of healing centers around that one little word, "FAITH."

"HAVE FAITH IN GOD!"

It was faith in the Living God, the Father of our Lord, Jesus the Christ, which brought salvation, healing, and blessing to this man.

Here was a very severe case of blood-poisoning. Starting with a small scratch on the little finger of the right hand, the pain grew worse from day to day. In less than a week, a gathering formed midway between the wrist and the elbow, which became enormous.

The whole arm was most seriously affected, and turned as black as ink.

The demand that something be done quickly to relieve the terrible pain and stay the polluted stream of blood, was apparent to all who knew of his critical condition.

Through the teaching of ZION, our brother and his household had learned that Jesus was the Savior, Healer, and Cleanser of His people, not only during His earthly ministry; but that Jesus

"And His Name through faith in His Name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith that is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all."—Acts 3:16.



DEACON JAMES H. CROSBY

Christ was "the same yesterday, today, and forever."

It was this faith in a Living Christ that brought healing and deliverance to him in his hour of trial.

Ponder over the words, "TODAY, AND FOREVER," and think of what that meant to one who was passing through the valley of the shadow of death!

There can be no difference of opinion as to

WHAT JESUS DID "YESTERDAY."

"But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."—II. Peter 3:8.

Then it was, God's "Yesterday," when the leper came to Him and said: "Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean."

"And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will, be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed."—Matthew 8:2, 3.

Then it was that a centurion came unto Him and said: "Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented."

"And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him."—Matthew 8:6.

The record of His mighty ministry has been written by

eye-witnesses who had journeyed with Him, and who had seen the mighty miracles wrought upon the sick and dying, and even upon those who had passed away.

THE MIGHTY MIRACLES OF JESUS

It was but "Yesterday" that Jesus said:

"The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them."—Matthew 11:5.

"And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this Book:

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His Name."—John 20:30, 31.

"And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written."—John 21:25.

Wonderful as was the ministry of Jesus, of what avail is it to the hundreds of millions claiming to be the followers of the Christ today?

Have we not a right to expect a continuation of His mighty signs and wonders and miracles in the present-day Church, as was true of the Apostolic Church?

MIRACLES TO CONTINUE IN THE CHURCH

None can deny that Jesus gave the Divine Commission to His disciples, backed up by Divine authority and power, to go into a sinful and dying world and tell them of the power of God to save and to heal.

"And as ye go, preach, saying, THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand.

"Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give."—Matthew 10:7, 8.

And, to leave no one in the future under any misapprehension as to what the mission of the Church during the entire Gospel Age was to be, He said:

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He who believeth on Me, the works that I do *shall he do also*; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father."—John 14:12.

"Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."—Matthew 28:20.

"And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following."—Mark 16:20.

The question now must be settled, whether these commands are still proclaimed in the hundreds of church organizations claiming to represent the Christ.

THE CURSE OF THE APOSTASY IN THE CHURCH

Do they still believe in His power to save and heal?

Does the church still believe in a Prayer-hearing and a Prayer-answering God, Who is ready to perform signs and wonders and miracles in the world today, as He did in the days of old?

What a farce Christianity is without a Living Christ!

What a mockery prayer is without an answer!

What a delusion faith is which is satisfied with the past, and knows nothing of the power of God today!

What a laughing stock the devil has made of the church with its unbelief: a dead Christ, a sealed tomb, an empty form!

The ministers, for the most part, have forsaken God, denied the Christ, grieved the Holy Spirit, and turned the sick and afflicted ones over to physicians and surgeons.

Apostasy, disease, decay, and death are to be found on every hand as the result of their unfaithfulness!

ZION, GOD CALLS UPON YOU TO RING OUT THE MESSAGE O'ER ALL THE WORLD: THAT HE HAS NOT CHANGED, AND THAT JESUS CHRIST IS "THE SAME YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER!"

Ring it out again, O ZION, so every one can hear: "Jesus Christ, the same YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER" and, lest some one should limit His power to the long bye-gone past, cry out again and again: "TODAY, AND FOREVER!"

WHAT A LIVING FAITH IN GOD WILL DO

With such a faith, you can throw doubt to the winds; you can refuse to lean on the arm of flesh; you can overcome every obstacle and opposition; you can tread upon the serpent, and crush the dragon under your feet!

No matter how Satan may afflict and oppress you—whether with boils, as was Job; or with leprosy, as was Naaman; or with an issue of blood, as was the woman mentioned in the Gospels; or with blindness, as was Bartimaeus; or with lameness, as was the man at the Beautiful Gate—you will, with such faith, come out victorious, as did this man from blood poisoning, when death stared him in the face!

"His Name, through faith in His Name, hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all."—Acts 3:16.

Oh, the blessing of such a faith in God!

What a blessing for husband and wife, and the entire household, to be united in such a faith!

PREPARE NOW FOR THE DAY OF BATTLE

Do not wait for the day of trouble to come before accepting Jesus as your Savior, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper!

You may be well today; but unless you are able to withstand the fiery darts of the enemy your health may be gone tomorrow, and you be on your way to the grave.

"We then *** beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.***

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation."—II. Corinthians 6:1, 2.

This child of God, with his whole household, accepted the beautiful teaching of ZION many years ago, and they have been abundantly blessed all these years—and especially in this terrible conflict with the devil in combating this disease of blood-poisoning.

Being used as a man of affairs to attend diligently to his business, he realized the need as a Christian man to make a business of his Religion and to stand up boldly for his convictions.

When asked to poultice the decaying arm with flaxseed he said: "I will poultice it with the promises of our Heavenly Father."

When asked to have a doctor, he said: "Thank God, we have the Great Physician!"

FAITH SEES NOTHING BUT VICTORY

The dear wife, who fought bravely at his side with unwavering faith, writes: "I looked away from that diseased arm directly to my Heavenly Father. *I could see only a healed arm in its place.* The restored arm that I saw in faith soon became a reality."

Thus faith was "the substance of things hoped for."

Whatever your trial may be, my brother or sister, look away from your sufferings to the Living God, casting all your burden upon Him; and, when you have committed your all to Him, believe that God does hear and answer the prayer of faith through the Name of Jesus!

"What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."—Mark 11:24.

May this testimony go, on the pages of LEAVES OF HEALING, into thousands of homes everywhere—bringing the blessings which ZION's message has brought into this home.

IT IS FAITH IN GOD THAT BRINGS VICTORY!

By faith you walk the stormy deep,
And stand upon the waves:
God will you from destruction keep,
And prove that Jesus saves.

With such a faith, the blind eyes see;
The deaf are made to hear;
The lame and halt are then set free,
Because the Christ is near.

APOSTLE ANTON DARMS.

Written Testimony of Deacon James H. Crosby

Oakland, California, December 17, 1913.

Rev. Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

It is with gratitude to God for His many blessings for spirit soul, and body, and thanking Him for Zion and her Divine teaching that He is just the same today, that I feel led to write of my wonderful healing of a very severe case of blood-poisoning which the devil put upon me.

On December 16, 1910, I noticed a little scratch on the knuckle of the little finger of my right hand. This was on Thursday. It pained me quite a good deal that day, but, thinking it to be only a little fester, we prayed for it; and I went on with my work. Thursday evening it bothered me; and Friday morning it was worse. I felt quite badly, but went to work as usual, thinking I would soon be better.

About ten o'clock my head began to ache; I had a high fever, and the pain was growing worse each moment. However, with the help of my boy, I managed to finish my day's work.

When I reached home that night I was a very sick man. In answer to prayer, the fever left, the pain became a little easier, and I rested very well that night.

The next morning, the fever came back again: but God heard and answered prayer.

Thinking I would be all right, I rested Saturday and Sunday, taking up my daily labors on Monday morning. At noon I grew worse, my arm from the sore place to the elbow began to pain me, and I thought perhaps I was suffering from a strain. At last I had to give up.

We then noticed a red streak on the under part of my arm to the elbow. Thank God, we saw only victory ahead! We did not know what I really was going to be permitted to pass through to test our faith.

The red streak began to burn just as if it had been scalded—in fact, this describes the pain I passed through: a sensation of a terrible scalding.

My arm soon became so swollen that it was necessary for my wife to rip the sleeve of each garment I wore. A gathering began to form midway between the wrist and elbow, becoming enormous. We continued to pray in faith, as we had proven God too many times to doubt Him now, though the trial was a severe one.

While the arm was in this serious condition, and as black as ink, the devil sent his messengers, saying the arm should be poulticed with flaxseed, as blood-poisoning was a serious thing and not to be trifled with. I simply said, "I'll poultice it with the promises of our Heavenly Father."

Relatives looked on with their hearts almost breaking because we would not employ a physician. Thank God, we did have "The Great Physician," and He did a perfect work. God always has a Way provided for those who trust in Him.

I had my own family united, and three other good faithful Christian friends, and we could all kneel and pray the prayer of faith. I would get temporary relief, but most of the time, night and day, the pain was quite intense.

This gathering of pus continued about a week, and one morning I awakened my dear, faithful wife, and said: "Prayer has been answered—the gathering has broken." The whole family was soon at my bedside thanking God for this great victory.

The discharge from that arm is almost indescribable. The conditions were: right hand withered away until very thin, and almost useless; the skin began peeling from my hand in large pieces, and the whole under part of my arm decayed.

The devil did not like to release his hold. A new gathering began to form above the elbow. While it did not last long, the pain seemed more intense, and on one Lord's Day it surely seemed as if I were way down in the Valley of the Shadow of Death: but we feared no evil, for God was with us.

How the dear, faithful ones prayed with me on that day! At three o'clock p. m. the answer came, the second gathering was opened, and all the poison came out.

On January 16th I went to work. My arm was stiff at the elbow, and the wound discharging: but, thanks be unto God Who giveth the victory through Jesus the Christ, He kept me, and fully restored me.

My arm and hand are well and strong, with no trace of weakness left.

Thank God for Zion and Zion's teaching, and for a fearless leader who is not afraid to preach the full Gospel of The Kingdom of God and attack every sin that is causing the destruction of mankind.

I pray that this testimony may prove a blessing to some discouraged soul.

Yours in the Master's Service,

(Signed) James H. Crosby.

Confirmatory Testimony of Mrs. James H. Crosby

Oakland, California, December 17th, 1913.

Rev. Wilbur Glenn Voliva,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I am thankful to our dear Heavenly Father that I have the privilege of confirming this wonderful testimony of my dear husband's healing. The half cannot be told in this case.

I fully realized the seriousness of his condition as I saw the dreadful poison creeping above the elbow, which, from a human standpoint, is considered very critical. But I knew in Whom I trusted.

I looked away from that diseased arm directly to my Heavenly Father. I could only see a healed arm in its place. God gave me wonderful strength, and my faith did not weaken, although the test was a severe one.

What seemed the hardest for me was the care of the arm after it had opened. The corruption that came out, pus, and decayed flesh, etc., caused me to shudder when I thought of dressing it, as I had not had any experience in that line. Satan then tried to put fear into my heart, saying I did not understand such things, and if any germs entered, conditions would be far more serious than at first.

We knelt and asked God to give me wisdom in caring for it. I took a bowl of warm water, placed the arm in it, and cleansed it as best I could: then I took a piece of linen cloth, dipped it into olive oil, and bandaged it.

On account of the amount of the discharge, this had to be done twice a day. I did not attempt to dress it at any time without kneeling and asking God to help me. God surely heard and answered prayer, as I cared for it with perfect ease.

It was wonderful to watch the daily progress of healing. No complications whatever set in, and we did not forget each time to thank our Heavenly Father for all His blessings. Neither did God disappoint us. The restored arm that I saw in faith soon became a reality.

God never fails us when we comply with His conditions.

I thank and praise Him for all the blessings we have received since we accepted Zion teaching.

Your sister in the Christ,

(Signed) Mrs. Jas. H. Crosby.

Zion Taught the Way of Salvation and Healing

INDIANA, June 12th, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I have never written my testimony or said much to thank God for His goodness to me and His keeping power, but have held back, thinking more of what people thought than of what God thought.

Holding back has been a curse and not a blessing to me, for God expects thanks and honor for what He does for people.

God has certainly been with me and protected me in a great many ways all my life. When things have gone wrong, it has only been to teach me a lesson and prove to me how great and good God is.

Although I have never been as strong as I might have been all my life, yet God gives me what strength I have and supplies me with more when needed the most. When about twelve and one half years old, I became so weak that I had to lie in bed most of the time. But God gave me enough strength that I was able to walk down stairs every day. When I got out of bed, I sat on the side of it, until I gained enough strength to walk, holding to the side of the walls, sitting on the bed in the next room and sitting on the stairs about three times on the way down. I don't think I missed eating a meal, although I ate a few in bed. I combed my own hair each day, although it made me so tired to hold my arms up that I rested while doing that.

I confessed my sins, but grudgingly and only in part, and I became strong enough so I could go about.

My father and mother both thought I would surely die at one time. I did not care whether I lived or died, but I always felt assured that my time had not yet come. I did not have any medicines, nor were there any doctors to see me. Medicine did not tempt me as I could not remember ever taking a dose of it.

Only two or three neighbors and a girl friend came to see me during that time. I did not care for their company, for I felt it was no help to me.

I have gained strength and almost a complete healing through the prayers of ZION.

I have not been completely healed because of my unfaithfulness.

Among other things, I have gone against my conscience and have desecrated the Sabbath Day, going on pleasure trips. God has shown me the wickedness of it and I don't enjoy such trips any more.

Please pray that I may stand firm and make right every wrong and that I may be a blessing and a help to the people with whom I come in contact each day.

Praying that God will bless you and Zion throughout the world, in saving lost humanity, I remain

(Signed) ALTA MCKINLEY.

He sendeth His word and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant AT ONCE!

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into ZION, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into ZION and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into ZION, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!

Editorial Notes

By Apostle Anton Darms

LIFT UP the standard! Set up the standard toward ZION!—Jeremiah 4:6.

THESE WORDS, INSPIRED by the Spirit of God, set forth the aim and purpose of God's true people in all the ages. They are, by their faith, by their conduct, by their life and by their works to show forth to an ungodly and unregenerate world, that God is truly blessing those who love and serve Him.

GOD HAS HAD but one standard for men in all the ages, and that has been perfect obedience to His Word and Will, which He has made known from the beginning. Let man render unto God willing obedience to His Word and every problem will easily be settled. Let him defy the law of God, and destruction, misery and death will inevitably follow.

AND GOD SAW EVERYTHING THAT HE HAD MADE, AND, BEHOLD, IT WAS VERY GOOD.—Genesis 1:31.

IS IT NOT, THEREFORE, absolutely safe to follow every direction which God gives us in His Word?

Did He not make all things very good from the beginning, and will He not make all things very good today, for those who are willing to serve Him with true and sincere purpose?

OF ALL THE HUMAN RACE, JESUS the Christ was the only One Who, in all things, rendered unto God a perfect obedience and a perfect sacrifice.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on HIM the iniquity OF US ALL.

He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; He is brought AS A LAMB to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth.—Isaiah 53:7, 8.

For even hereunto were ye called, because Christ also suffered for us LEAVING US AN EXAMPLE, THAT YE SHOULD FOLLOW HIS STEPS;

WHO DID NO SIN, neither was guile found in His mouth;

Who his own self BARE OUR SINS IN HIS OWN BODY on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.—I Peter 2:21, 22, 24.

HOW MUCH NEED THERE is in the world today to show what the real mission of the CHRIST was; namely, to leave

US an example, that WE SHOULD FOLLOW IN HIS STEPS.

Where are the people who are willing and ready in all things to follow in HIS steps? How transformed this world would be to see the manifestation of the sons of God showing forth the same faith and faithfulness as that shown by the Son of God! God is waiting for such a people!

THE WORLDLY MINDED people have, in all the ages, left God out of their plans. The worship of God was replaced by their worship of mammon; THE KINGDOM OF GOD was lost sight of because of self-instituted monarchies and man-made governments; the Word of God was forgotten because of man-made religions and creeds; submission to God's appointed leaders has been made light of, and, instead, man is in submission to political bosses and ringleaders and public grafters.

WHAT WONDERFUL SUCCESS has man made of his towers of Babel? Up have sprung many various movements and organizations; laurels are heaped upon the wonderful brainy men who by their ingenuity have given birth to them all! The Tower of Babel was a wonderful success as long as God's finger did not touch it, but how much of it was left after the judgment of God fell upon it all?

And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

Let us confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

So the Lord scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth; AND THEY LEFT OFF TO BUILD THE CITY.—Genesis 11:5, 7, 8.

THE SAME SPIRIT OF BABEL is at work today. Men everywhere rebel against the living God, and the same judgments of God await them all. The builders of BABEL of old were angels in comparison with the builders of modern BABYLON. They strove to reach HEAVEN and therefore built a city. Today men and nations have abandoned that position and instead are building DOWNWARD and they are nearer hell today than they ever were. The nations which forget God shall be turned into hell. See Psalm 9:17.

WHAT FOOLISH TALK we hear about the world getting better!

The age of gold lies in the past; the age of silver, the age of brass, the age of iron all lie in the past; today we are living in the age of iron and part of potter's clay. The various changes and developments of the human race are all represented in the image which Nebuchadnezzar saw in a dream. Ever since that time the nations have been going down, down, down, until they have reached the very toes of this image of MAMMON.

THE AGE OF DESPOTISM has passed; the age of hierarchy has passed; the age of monarchy has passed, the age of democracy and republics is quickly passing away and already we have reached the stage where social disintegration is rending the states and nations. They say that socialism is the panacea for all the evils, but be not deceived; socialism belongs to the very same image that BABYLON belonged to, only it is the weakest, the poorest and the lowest part of a man's mammon-idol.

WE ARE LIVING in the age of MIRY clay. Who will deny it? Look at the great cities of the world; what wonderful accomplishments they are, what monuments they are to human genius and wealth and industry! Look at London, at Paris, at Rome, at New York, at Chicago, at San Francisco! Look at any city large or small and what do you see?

Beneath the mountains of smoke, which pollute the air, you see a mass of sinful, diseased, crippled and stunted humanity!

YOU SEE A saloon here, a pool room there.

You see a theater here and a moving-picture show there.

You see a tobacco shop here and a brothel there.

You see a drug-store here and a hospital there.

You see a brewery here and a distillery there.

You see a lodge room here and a masonic temple there.

BUT DO BY NO MEANS stop with the investigation at this point!

Uncover the lid from the whole and what do you see? Oh! the groans; oh! the aches! oh! the pains; oh! the broken-hearts!

Lives blasted; virtue gone; fortunes squandered; health ruined; homes divided; heaven lost!

What a spectacle it all is to behold!

I HEAR SOME SAY: "You have overdrawn the picture; you make it look too black; too dismal; too pessimistic!

"What about the Churches in all these cities?

"Don't they brighten up the picture considerably?

"Is it not a good thing to have our cities full of Methodist and Baptist and Roman Catholic and Presbyterian and Lutheran Churches?"

THERE IS NO DOUBT that there are many true and faithful Christians in them all, and may God keep them true and faithful, but will the various Church organizations stand a rigid examination?

When God began to trim down Gideon's army, the

number of the faithful and true dropped from 32,000 to only 300; and when God begins to judge the present-day churches, no more in proportion will be found able to stand the test.

THE WORD OF GOD says: "*Ye must be born again.*"

The modern pulpit says: "Believe in Jesus and join the Church."

The Word of God says: "Seek ye first THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

The modern pulpit says, "I am rich and increased with goods."

The Word of God says: "Be ye holy for I am holy."

The modern pulpit says: "You may be on good terms with the world."

The Word of God says: "I am THE LORD that healeth thee."

The modern pulpit says: "You must take medical treatment."

The Word of God says: "Touch not the unclean thing."

The modern pulpit says: "You may eat and drink anything you please."

The Word of God says: "Behold the Bridegroom cometh."

The modern pulpit says: "Where is the promise of His coming."

WHAT A SPECTACLE THE MODERN CHURCH is with its fairs, and raffles, and shows, and dances, and worldliness! Thank God, there are some notable exceptions, but it can be said, without any contradiction, that the modern church is united in its policy to say, that

"You can take beer and be a good Christian,

"You can use tobacco and be a good Christian,

"You can go to theaters and shows and be all right,

"You can dance and be a Christian,

"You can play euchre and be a good church member,

"You can rob God and refuse to pay your tithes into God's storehouse and you are still an honest Christian,

"You don't need to be converted; so long as you go to church and pay your pew-rent or other dues you will get to heaven."

Think of the apostate condition of mind that dares to assume such an attitude!

THIS OLD WORLD IS "drunk-up" with beer and wine, and the church is polluted with the same curse!

This old world is "smoked-up" with tobacco, and so is the church!

This old world is "greased-up" with pig and oysters and lobsters, and so is the church!

This old world is "drugged-up" to death with laudanum, cocaine, morphine, camphor, pills, plasters, and so is the church!

This old world is "gummed-up" with chewing-gum, and so is the church!

This old world is "puffed-up" with pride and vanity, and so is the church!

This old world is "armed-up" with armies and navies, and the church upholds this system of murder.

This old world is "rent-up" with dissension and jealousy, and so is the church with its many sects and denominations.

TELL ME, WHERE does the true church begin and the world end?

Tell me, where is there a people which are a light in the world?

Tell me, where is there a holy nation, a royal priesthood, a peculiar people left in the world?

WHERE IS THE STANDARD OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD, TODAY?

TAKE YOUR BIBLE, my brother, my sister and read Isaiah 14:32.

What shall one then answer the messengers of the nations? THAT THE LORD HATH FOUNDED ZION AND THE POOR OF HIS PEOPLE SHALL TRUST IN IT.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT MEANS? There is only one meaning: that God has only one STANDARD for His people, and that is ZION. You can not evade the issue. There it is and there it stays, for God's people of the NEW as well as the OLD dispensation, that we must perpetuate the high standard which God sets before us in ZION.

Set up the Standard toward Zion.—Jeremiah 4:6

Set up a Standard against the walls of Babylon.—Jeremiah 51:12.

Set up a Standard among the nations.—Jeremiah 50:2.

Say unto Zion; Thy God Reigneth.—Isaiah 52:7.

The ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion.—Isaiah 35:10.

I may say unto Zion: Thou art My People.—Isaiah 51:16.

THANK GOD, He has not forgotten His plans, nor His people!

The one STANDARD of old was ZION.

The one STANDARD today is ZION.

ZION then and ZION now, and ZION all the time.

IT IS HIGH TIME for all of God's faithful people everywhere to realize that God has a refuge for His people today as well as in the days of David. ZION, today, stands on exactly the same platform as it did then. ZION then was a Theocracy and stood for the rule of God in all things; ZION today advocates the very same principles.

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ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION:

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

We trust that ere this date, Wednesday, August 2nd, you have received and read LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume 38, No. 18, bearing the date of July 29, 1916.

We are praying and working without ceasing that one and all in ZION may see the tremendous importance of the work which we have undertaken in re-organizing and re-establishing ZION Schools.

That God is owning and blessing the work which we have undertaken, and that the Holy Spirit is guiding, is shown by the following letters:

Dear Overseer: July 30, 1916.

Here is \$5 for the Zion Schools.

When you began talking about Zion Schools, I began praying that I might have \$10; and I thank God that I have \$5 now.

I have no children, but I love the children and I want to do my part in all of Zion's work. I do not think Zion is complete without her schools. I would think everybody who has children would rejoice that they could send their children to Zion Schools.

May God bless you, Overseer, in all your work for God! Praying that I may have \$5 more.

Dear General Overseer: July 30, 1916.
Please find enclosed \$5 for Zion Schools.

Dear General Overseer: July 31, 1916.

My little boy had two dollars saved up to buy himself a coaster-wagon at Zion Stores. When the Sacrificial Offering was taken he wanted to put one dollar in the barrel, which he did. He heard you talking about Zion Schools, and expressed a wish to send his other dollar for that, which I enclose to you.

I am Yours truly,

Dear General Overseer: July 31, 1916.

The main purpose for which my parents came to Zion City was the benefit to their children, where they would learn more of the Word of God and associate with those who were Christians.

Now that I am married and have children of my own, I do indeed thank God for the privilege of living in Zion City, especially since God has led you to establish Zion Schools, where the children will be taught the Word of God and the organization of Zion.

I am enclosing a check for \$7.50, to be used for the establishment of Zion Schools.

Praying that God will give you wisdom and strength for your many arduous duties, I am

Faithfully yours in His service,

General Overseer: August 2, 1916.

Please accept this check (\$25) for Zion Schools. I am glad and thank God for Zion Schools.

May God bless you continually in all your work for Him, is my earnest prayer.

An officer in ZION said to me, "You can call on me for \$100 for ZION Schools."

We are very grateful to these brothers and sisters for their interest in ZION Schools. We sincerely thank them in the Name of the Lord for the money given, and earnestly pray that He may richly bless them in taking a part in this work which means so much to a multitude of children, youths and maidens, in ZION, and so much to ZION in the future.

We have selected thirteen teachers, expect to have the entire staff completed sometime next week.

Your prayerful attention and consideration should be given to the following paragraphs, which formed a part of our article in last week's LEAVES OF HEALING:

We believe, and so do our advisors, that the proper

plan is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools, this assessment to be made on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each and every one.

There may be within our membership a man and his wife who have no children, and who are amply able to support these schools to the extent of twenty-five dollars or more per year. There may be a man and his wife, with nine children, who are unable to pay more than two, three, or five dollars a year. There may be single individuals with no one to care for but themselves, with property and with a good income, who can contribute substantially for the support of these schools.

In this way, all would do their part, and all of ZION's children, youths, and maidens would have splendid opportunities for getting an education.

We expect this fund to be sufficient to provide help for parents who find themselves unable to pay for all of the text-books for a number of children.

We are God's servant, and a servant of ZION people, and we will stand by them day and night, come what will, and do all that is within our power to see that all are treated fairly, justly, and righteously.

We expect, in return, the Christian love and hearty co-operation of one and all.

The assessment made for the school year can be paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly, in advance, or semi-annually, in advance.

Any one who professes to be ZION who is not filled with unbounded enthusiasm for ZION Schools, is either in ignorance, or the heart is not right with God.

The training of these children, youths, and maidens (now almost one thousand) is, from many standpoints, the greatest work that the General Overseer has to do.

The building of ZION CITY calls for investments, not for gifts; the ecclesiastical department, including ZION Schools, will accept gifts.

We expect that ZION Schools will, within a few years, have a substantial endowment.

Scores of thousands of dollars invested in the commercial department of ZION have been given to the ecclesiastical department, and there is no doubt but that many people who have made investments will want them to go to ZION Schools. Such investments, when turned over to ZION Schools, will remain as investments in the commercial department, and the interest only used for the support of the schools.

Here is one of the grandest opportunities that God has ever given to men and women.

ZION College Building—a very beautiful and substantial building, costing, approximately, \$150,000—can be redeemed any day, as one of the assets of the ZION Estate, for the small sum of \$27,500. Here is a wonderful opportunity for some man or woman in ZION, to whom God has given means, to come forward and redeem this building, and take it out of the ZION Estate and make it exclusively and absolutely the possession of ZION Educational Institutions.

The establishment of ZION Educational Institutions gives one more opportunity for faith and service, and all ZION people ought to rejoice.

The command to all ZION is, "GO FORWARD!" With Christian love, and praying God to guide, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully God's servant and yours,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

UNION WITH GOD

Report of the Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City Illinois, Thursday Morning, July 6, 1916, Address Delivered by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

The service was opened with the singing of HYMN No. 61—
"MORE LOVE TO THEE, O CHRIST."

More love to Thee, O Christ!
More love to Thee;
Hear Thou the prayer I make
On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea,
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Once earthly joy I craved,
Sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek,
Give what is best:
This all my prayer shall be,
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Let sorrow do its work,
Send grief or pain;
Sweet are Thy messengers,
Sweet their refrain,
When they can sing with me,—
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Then shall my latest breath,
Whisper Thy praise,
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise;
This still its prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let us continue our worship by singing HYMN No. 203—"NOT MY OWN!"

"Not my own," but saved by Jesus,
Who redeemed me by His blood,
Gladly I accept the message,
I belong to Christ the Lord.

CHORUS:—

"Not my own!" Oh, "not my own!"
Jesus, I belong to Thee!
All I have, and all I hope for,
Thine for all eternity.

"Not my own!" to Christ, my Saviour,
I believing, trust my soul;
Everything to Him committed,
While eternal ages roll.

"Not my own!" my time, my talent
Freely all to Christ I bring,
To be used in joyful service
For the glory of my King.

"Not my own!" the Lord accepts me,
One among the ransomed throng,
Who in heaven shall see His glory
And to Jesus Christ belong.

APOSTLE CAREY then led in the reading of the First and Second Psalms:

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against His Anointed, saying, Let us break Their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

Then shall He speak unto them in His wrath, and vex them in His sore displeasure.

Yet have I set My King upon My holy hill of Zion.

I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto Me, Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee.

Ask of Me, and I shall give Thee the heathen for Thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possession.

Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and ye perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him.

PRAYER

APOSTLE DARMS: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge Thee this morning to be, not only our Creator, having created us in Thy Image, but we acknowledge Thee as our Father. We thank Thee, Father in Heaven, that Thou hast revealed Thyself to us through Thy Word as Father.

O God, we thank Thee this morning for the privilege of gathering together at this Feast of Tabernacles in this early morning hour in Shiloh Tabernacle to worship Thee. We thank Thee for the privilege of sitting at the feet of Jesus and learning more of His Precious Word. O God, may every heart this morning be prepared, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to receive the message that shall be given.

We thank Thee, O God, for these wonderful Psalms that have been read this morning, that exalt Jesus the Christ as our Coming King and that admonish us to put ourselves in complete subjection and submission unto Him, and to kiss the Son lest He be angry.

O God, may we realize the important days in which we are living, the closing days of the Gospel dispensation—the days in which Thou art bringing to pass the birth of Zion—the latter-day Zion—preparatory to the coming of the King.

O God, we thank Thee for the Theocracy today. We thank Thee for a faithful leader, a man after Thine Own heart, whom Thou hast used throughout these years in stirring up Thy people and awakening within them the desire to be used in the building up and the extension of Thy Kingdom upon earth. We thank Thee, O Father, for the blessings that have come to us through his leadership.

We pray Thee, O God, to bless every officer, every member, and every friend of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion throughout all the earth. Wilt Thou bless, O God, our scattered members this day in many parts of this and other lands. We know that they are praying for Thy people who are gathered here at Headquarters to attend this Feast of Tabernacles, and we know they are yearning for the same privilege. We pray Thee, O God, to minister to each and every one of them as they are scattered throughout this and other lands, and wilt Thou supply their need of salvation and of healing and of cleansing.

We pray Thee to bless the work that has been done during the past year. Bless the Seed that has been sown in the great City of Chicago. We thank Thee for the work that has been done by our leader and the faithful band of the Zion Restoration Host.

Father, we thank Thee this morning for the little harvest that has been gathered. We thank Thee for the hundreds and thousands that have been reached by the message of Zion, and we pray Thee, O God, to make us faithful—make us faithful, O Lord!—to the mission Thou hast given us. Help us to proclaim the Gospel and to carry out the Great Commission; for the Christ has said that this Gospel of the Kingdom must be preached in all the earth before the end come.

Oh, may we realize, O God, the great privilege that is ours of hearing the Gospel of the Kingdom and of giving it out to others.

We pray Thee, Father, to bless the Institutions of Zion, and all of the co-workers who have gathered in this morning hour to hear the message before going to their work.

Bless the strangers and friends of Zion who are in our midst. O Father, may it be a time of great rejoicing in Zion during this Feast of Tabernacles; may it be a time of deep spiritual awakening, and may the work Thou already hast begun in our hearts be carried on to full fruition. Whereas we may see only the blade now, may we soon see the ear, and the full corn in the ear. Oh, may the people in Zion bring forth fruit—thirty, sixty, and one hundred fold—unto eternal life.

O God, we pray Thee to bless Thy servant as he shall speak to us. Anoint him, O God, by Thy Holy Spirit's power. Open Thy Precious Word to him, and through him to each of us here this morning. May we be strengthened in spirit, soul, and body; may we feed upon Thy Word, and may we take it in as Heavenly food—the manna upon which our souls shall thrive.

Hear us, O God, in this our early morning supplication, in Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let us sing hymn No. 471. Let all give very prayerful attention as I read the stanzas.

This hymn is based upon that remarkably wonderful and beautiful verse in Galatians 2:20—

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

"I AM CRUCIFIED"—marvelous depths of meaning.

This hymn is based upon that passage, and the author draws his lessons from nature around him.

As lives the flower within the seed,
As in the cone the tree,
So, praise the God of truth and grace,
His Spirit dwelleth in me.

CHORUS:—

Christ liveth in me,
O what a salvation this,
That Christ liveth in me!

Once far from God and dead in sin,
No light my heart could see;
But in God's Word the light I found,
Now Christ liveth in me.

As rays of light from yonder sun
The flowers of earth set free,
So life and light and love came forth
From Christ living in me.

With longing all my heart is filled,
That like Him I may be,
As on the wondrous thought I dwell,
That Christ liveth in me.

GENERAL OVERSEER: All bow in prayer.

Almighty God, our Kind, Loving Heavenly Father, we recognize and we fully realize that through Thy Loving, tender watch-care over us through the silent watches of another night we are permitted to behold the dawning of this another day, which comes to us freighted with many precious opportunities.

Help us, O God, to improve these opportunities and to lay hold of all privileges, that when this day shall have come to its close we may be able to say truthfully that we are further on in the Christian life than when it began. Help us, O God, to attend to the means of grace as we are assembled in Thy house. Thou hast made all provisions necessary for our spiritual development; not one thing hast Thou left undone—Thou hast done all things necessary for our preparation to enter upon that never-ending Eternity. O God, we beseech Thee to accept the gratitude of our hearts!

We beseech Thee to be in our midst to guide by Thy Word and Spirit. Sanctify all things said and done, and grant, O God, that every spirit may be cleansed from every stain of sin; that every sick one, through the teaching of Thy Word, may be brought to that place where they can touch Thee, Who art able to impart life to the uttermost for spirit, soul, and body. Be with us, O God! Inspire the message, give the people receptive spirits, and grant, O God, that in this morning service we may all find a glorious feast, knowing when we leave that we have been strengthened in the inner man and that we have made a further preparation to continue our journey in the straight and narrow way that leads to life Eternal. Hear us, O God our Father, and guide us, in Jesus' Name and for His sake; Amen.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: All turn to the Gospel according to John, the 15th chapter and the seventh verse.

I was thinking this morning of various narratives, and my

mind went immediately to the different narratives of the miracles of healing wrought by God, in and through Jesus the Christ and the Apostles.

A Living Faith Needed to Obtain Full Blessings of Redemption

The most prominent feature of all of these narratives, as you will see at a glance, was the faith manifested by the people and commended by Jesus, showing that without FAITH, salvation, healing, and the needed blessings for spirit and soul and body are impossible.

In the story of the healing of the Centurion's servant, Jesus said, "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

The Centurion had shown a very humble spirit, and he had said, "Speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed."

When they carried the man sick of the palsy to Jesus, allowing no obstacle to defeat them in their purpose, it is written that "JESUS SEEING THEIR FAITH said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee."

In the case of the ruler's daughter, who was reported as dead, Jesus said, "Only Believe."

To the woman healed of the issue of blood—who, as she touched Him, said within herself, "If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole"—He said, "Daughter, be of good comfort; thy FAITH hath made thee whole."

In the story of the Syrophenician woman, who, like the Centurion, was outside the pale of the Commonwealth of Israel—an alien, a foreigner—Jesus said, "O woman, great is thy faith!"

When the man at the foot of the Mount of Transfiguration brought his epileptic child to Jesus, after having taken him to the Apostles, Jesus said, "O faithless and perverse generation!" And when the Apostles asked Him why they had failed, He said, "Because of your UNBELIEF: for verily I say unto you, if ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove: and NOTHING shall be impossible unto you."

I love to talk about faith!

I realize that in order for us individually to be saved, to be healed, to be cleansed, to be blessed, to be kept, and to go forward in the Christian life, FAITH is necessary.

Faith is the Mainspring of Every Christian Life!

I realize that before we, as a people, can go forward in preaching the Gospel to perishing humanity, and in building ZION CITY and preparing for the coming of Christ, we must be a people of great and mighty faith.

However, just as a child must be taught the alphabet before he can read, and must be taught the ten digits before he can do a problem in mathematics, so there are certain fundamental principles which must be taught to every man before he can have faith.

There is no doubt in my mind that oftentimes one, through sympathy and through love, permits himself to omit these foundation principles, and, therefore, failure is the result.

Answered Prayer Conditioned on Abiding in Christ

To my mind, one of the most wonderful statements that God ever gave to the children of men—a clear enunciation of His laws, in accordance with which every blessing provided by the crucifixion upon Calvary can be had—is the seventh verse of the Fifteenth chapter of John.

I never conduct a meeting for teaching and prayer with the sick, I never face a conflict in my own life, I never confront any perplexing problem in ZION, but that my mind instantly turns to this seventh verse of the Fifteenth chapter of John.

Where there is failure to get an answer, where the blessing does not come, it is evident that the individual has failed at some point; for God's Word is true and can never fail.

Listen!

IF YE ABIDE IN ME, AND MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU, YE SHALL ASK WHAT YE WILL, AND IT SHALL BE DONE UNTO YOU.

This statement is made without any exceptions, and my prayer to God is that, through the Holy Ghost, He will burn it into your immortal spirits, and that it will be ever present with you.

You are here as saints, more or less. However, no doubt in every meeting there are those who are yet unconverted. As

saints, you are here to be sanctified. Sanctification is wrought by God, through the Holy Spirit, through the Word, through prayer, through song (in so far as it contains the Word), and through service in the Master's vineyard.

I desire to drive home to your hearts that sanctification is an absolute impossibility in the life of any man or woman who is not a worker, early and late, all the time, doing something to extend THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Jesus said:

If ye abide in Me, and My Words (that is, His spoken words) abide in you, ye shall ask WHAT YE WILL, and it SHALL BE DONE unto you.

Let us remember that the Bible has *depths*. My observations lead me to say emphatically that, so far as many people are concerned, all they ever do is to skim around over the surface.

You cannot be saved, you cannot be healed, you cannot be kept, unless you feed upon the Word of God and upon LEAVES OF HEALING.

God has ordained certain measures, and you cannot neglect them without doing so at your peril.

I might deliver any one of a thousand addresses similar to the addresses that have appeared in LEAVES OF HEALING now these many years; but I am persuaded that in this Feast of Tabernacles *one thing* should be settled by every officer and member, and that it should be settled beyond a shadow of a doubt.

The Importance of Christ Being Formed Within His Followers

The question that should be settled is this: HAVE I, HAVING BEEN SEPARATED FROM MY GOD AND FATHER, WHO IS THE SOURCE OF LIFE, BEEN TRULY UNITED TO HIM; AND AM I, HAVING BEEN UNITED, CONTINUING TO ABIDE IN HIM?

This word "abide" has in it the meaning of *continuance*. It is not a beginning, but it is a continuance of something that has been begun.

I read in the Bible some very remarkable verses bearing upon this subject of the individual being united to God—the Christ being formed within a man the "hope of glory."

The statement that God is in Christ, and Christ in God; and that the Christian is in Christ, and Christ in the Christian—while it is mystical, nevertheless it is a stern reality.

Jesus uses the figure of the vine and the branch here, which everybody understands. You men who have had to do with vineyards, or even with a single grapevine in your backyard, know something of the principles of growth and of development. You know something about pruning, and you know that it is possible to under-prune and over-prune.

This is the figure that the Savior has taken to set forth the vital connection which is formed between every converted man and woman and Jesus Christ Himself.

The importance of these words you can readily see by reason of the fact that they were spoken by Jesus the Christ just before He reached the Garden of Gethsemane.

This cluster of chapters here in John has fittingly been called "The Holy of Holies," as it constitutes the teaching of Christ to the inner circle, not to the world.

God is a God of order. It would be the height of folly for a school teacher to give the fifth reader to a child to read who did not know "A" from "W," and it would be absurd for a school teacher to send a child to the blackboard to solve a problem in fractions who did not know the difference between the figures *two* and *seven*. In the same way it is the height of folly for a teacher in Israel to talk about sanctification and faith to the man or woman who has not yet realized his or her sinfulness and helplessness, and who is utterly undone, away from God, and without hope.

You must first be taught the alphabet!

A True Christian Needs No Exhortation for Fruitbearing

Now, if this question can be settled by every officer and every member during this Feast, what a mighty work will speedily be done!

I sometimes feel, and I know it is true, that much of my work is done because this question has not been properly settled; for when you are indeed and in truth Christians, you will not need any further exhortations to read the Bible. You will take to the Bible as a babe takes to its mother's breast.

I tell you, when men and women have to be exhorted to

attend the House of God, when they have to be exhorted to pray—well, it is a good deal like we used to have to do on the farm with those old wooden pumps. I never was a profane man, but the nearest I ever came to giving way to my feelings was when I would take hold of the handle of an old wooden pump and get nothing but air. We used to have to prime them, and if we would pour in the water, and turn around, and then take hold of the handle we would get nothing but air.

And so it is with many men and women, they have to be exhorted to read the Bible, to attend the services in the House of God, to read the LEAVES OF HEALING, and to do all the things which a Christian naturally does—things which to the carnal man are very unnatural.

The Bible says, "The righteous shall flourish like"—what?

(PEOPLE: "The palm tree.")

"The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree."

That is a good text.

Among the many varieties of palm trees, there is one which has to be beaten with clubs, writers claim, in order to get anything out of it; and when that is done there is a certain juice which comes out of it, which they utilize for certain purposes.

Sometimes I think the Bible might have said that some professing Christians are like a palm tree of that kind. The only way anything can be gotten out of them is to take a club and beat them.

There is not one of you sitting here who would keep an apple tree in your orchard very many seasons if it bore no fruit; you would cut it down. A healthy apple tree cannot help but bear fruit, and whenever a man is converted and truly linked up to God Almighty, why, he will bear the fruit of the Spirit just as naturally as a healthy apple tree puts forth the buds and the blossoms and the full fruitage.

What does Jesus say?

"If ye abide in Me"—the trouble is we are not abiding in Him and His words are not abiding in us.

He has laid down the law:

IF YE ABIDE IN ME, AND MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU, YE SHALL ASK WHAT YE WILL, AND IT SHALL BE DONE UNTO YOU.

That is just as if an electrician were to come in here this morning and make a declaration, except that the parallel cannot be made to walk on all fours.

An electrician would say, "If the power-house in Waukegan (where we get our electricity to light this Tabernacle) has been properly organized, if the machinery is in good order, if the wires that have been stretched to this Tabernacle and the chandeliers are all in perfect condition, then you will get light."

Connection Between the Sinners and Christ Must be Established

Now then, we know that our Power-house, God, is all right; that He never fails. The wire is the ministry. The ministry is the connecting link between the people and God. They have no power of their own.

Any man who says he can heal is a liar!

It always makes me indignant when I hear people talk about what they can do with this subtle, invisible principle which we call LIFE.

Any man who says he can heal anything is a liar, and he is insulting God.

There are just two persons in this universe who have independent life—One is God, and then Jesus said God had given to HIM to have life in Himself.

The life you and I have is derived.

Men can destroy life, they can impede it, they can retard it, they can stunt it, but they cannot CREATE it. Only God is the Source of life, just as the sun is the source of light.

If ye abide in Me—

Before a man can abide in Christ, he has to be brought into connection with Him.

For instance, if you have the vine here, and the branch over yonder, the branch cannot be anything but a dead branch.

All men and women, before they are brought into connection with God, are dead branches—dead in their sins.

The Bible says:

For to be carnally minded is death.

She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.

The wages of sin is death.

That is the condition of a great many.

What is the use, when the vine is here and the branch over yonder, to go over there as a vine-dresser and put on our time on that dead branch? We will accomplish nothing.

However, if we can get that branch and the vine united, so that the life that comes out of the roots can be diffused through the branch, then we will have life and fruit.

I desire to impress upon the minds of all here, that when it comes to Divine Healing, oftentimes there is the wrong kind of sympathy. Through the wrong kind of sympathy it is possible to go down there and say, "O Lord, heal this man!"—and nothing happens; or, "O Lord, heal this woman!"—and there is no answer.

The Power-house may be all right, the wire may be all right, but if the chandelier is not connected up you may send all the electricity down here you want to, and you will not get any light. You have no right to expect to get any.

I tell you, we are working on a lot of people who have not been connected up. Instead of people thinking first and all the time about their healing and the blessings they want, the first thing they ought to do is to realize that they are separated and away from God.

I know by my own experience that as I abide in Christ I get the blessings He has for me.

It is possible, you know, for men and women to have been united with Christ, and then to have the union severed and broken.

Various Illustrations of Union with God

UNION WITH GOD—as set forth under the figures of the vine and the branches, the house and its foundation, the husband and wife.

The mysterious union of Christ formed in you, the "hope of glory"—being united to God!

Regeneration, conversion, justification, repentance, confession, restitution, sanctification,—some people want to know which comes first.

It may be illustrated by a wheel. If I had a wheel on this platform with twenty-three spokes in it, and I started to roll it, which of the spokes would start first? Can anybody tell?

And so it is with the fundamental principles of the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—they are just like a wheel; you cannot say any one of them starts first.

Here sits a sinner, away from God. You would not expect to get any healing for him, would you?

When a man comes here, having promised his wife that while he is going to ZION to get some teaching he does not intend to leave the Roman Catholic Church, or the Lutheran Church, or the Methodist Church, and that he is not going to be baptized or take any steps to become a member of ZION, I do not see how God could do anything for a man of that kind.

What God demands of you, and what I demand of you in these meetings, is that you be willing right now to walk in all the light God gives you! And if that means coming out of the Roman Catholic Church, or the Lutheran Church, or the Presbyterian Church, all right! If that means you are to go into this baptistry and be baptized into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, then you have to do it! And a man or woman who is not willing to make that surrender will not get anything from God.

Now then, the Word of God is the Sword of the Spirit. The first step is the preaching of the Word.

You cannot dispose of the ministry!

Thank God in ZION we are getting together a people with something of a true conception of the ministry.

Men and women who say, "I will recognize no man," are talking like fools! Men and women who say, "I will obey no man," are talking absolutely in contradiction to the Word of God! Men and women who say, "I have no need of the ministry—I can get direct to God,"—such talk is unscriptural.

All the way through God has had His servants, and the people have had to recognize them or else pay the penalty; and the blessings have come through the ministry.

A True Conception of the Ministry Given through Zion's Teaching

One of the many things we are accomplishing today, through LEAVES OF HEALING and through the addresses from the platform in ZION—we are giving to many people a true conception of the ministry.

The Bible says, "Is any sick among you? let him call for"—whom?

(PEOPLE: "The elders of the church.")

And you have to come to ZION to get them; because in the wretched old apostate churches they do not believe in praying for the sick.

I know that is true. In numerous letters from many widely separated localities, people write here for prayer, and they say, "There is not a minister in this city whom I can get to pray for the healing of the sick."

Therefore, God has, in His own time, brought ZION into existence, that the people might have a Divinely called ministry.

It does not make any difference what they look like, or whether they are educated or not. Jesus the Christ could not do anything with the high Moguls of His day. He had to ignore the temple, with its gorgeous ritual and its celebrated and highly educated clergymen; He had to ignore the synagogue, and He went down to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and called some poor, ignorant, dirty, greasy fishermen to form the apostolic college.

Power comes from God. A man may go to school for one hundred years, and learn everything in sight, but be absolutely devoid of power.

God calls the ministry, and you have to recognize it. That is all there is to it! You cannot ignore it—cannot do without it, or set it aside.

As I said last night, God has never left His people without a servant—never! Even in the most degenerate times He has always provided a servant. In fact, prophets are raised up for times of degeneracy.

Zion, the Only Organization According to God's Standard

ZION is the only organization God has on the earth today, and you may as well learn it one time as another. Outside of ZION, I would not give you the snap of my finger for the whole business.

It is from ZION that God's message is going forth, and it is not being preached anywhere else!

You know, it always makes me smile! There are some of our people who go off visiting, and, instead of putting in their time distributing literature, on Sunday morning they go to some old apostate church. When they come back they say, "He preached a good deal as you do." It always makes me laugh!

Why, there is not another man on the face of God's earth who preaches as I do, or that comes within one million miles of preaching as I do!

You may think he preaches as I do, but let me go to that church and preach for thirty minutes and I will show you.

I see DePew laughing. DePew travels for ZION Office Supply. I suppose you hear lots of fellows who preach just as I do, do you not?

(DEACON DEPEW: "Not very many.")

GENERAL OVERSEER: "Not very many" by which, of course, you mean emphatically not any.

Why, it is absolutely silly!

ZION is bringing back many of the truths which Protestantism, so-called, has lost.

The Divine call to the ministry.

Most people do not believe in it; do not take any stock in it.

Why, in these different towns and cities, who pays any attention to the ministers? Nobody considers them anything, or thinks that it matters whether any notice is taken of them or not.

The first thing is to preach the Word. All you have to do in some localities to stir up the devil is to read the Bible; you do not need to say a word.

Last Sunday I dwelt for about fifteen minutes on the "Meek" and "Gentle" Jesus—of course, in a sarcastic vein. I read the Twenty-third chapter of Matthew in order to show how Meek (?) and Gentle (?) Jesus was. That is the conception a lot of people have of Jesus.

Preach the Word!

At the very top of LEAVES OF HEALING I read the following words, which I look at many times every week: "He sendeth His Word and healeth them."

The Word is the SWORD OF THE SPIRIT!

ZION, God Almighty never called a man to put in his time

delivering beautiful orations! God Almighty never called a man to the ministry to write essays and read them! God Almighty never called a man to the ministry to tell death-bed stories—silly, sympathetic, foolish stories that people call preaching.

When God Almighty calls a man, that man is as passive in God's hands as clay in the hands of the potter; and only what God speaks through him is truly inspired.

You know, I know, and these officers know, that John Alexander Dowie's sermons can be read today with interest one hundred times over.

Why?

Because they have in them the inspiration of God!

From an oratorical standpoint, from the standpoint of scholarship, they violate every rule of homiletics.

What do I care about that?

A man can read a cook book from now until the end of the Twentieth Century, if he lives that long, and not get any assistance.

Oratory, essays, treatises, dissertations, stories,—they make up the so-called preaching of this world. They are from the devil, and there is not any God in them.

The Word is the Sword of the Spirit!

In speaking about the Evan Roberts' revivals in Wales, I told them that the so-called converts there were bastards—and why? Because the Word of God was not preached.

If any of you people here have ever been so stupid and so silly as to think that "Billy" Sunday is a minister of God Almighty, you do not understand ZION.

"Billy" Sunday is doing more harm today than any other man there is in the United States of America!

"Billy" Sunday would not last before me five minutes! His utterances on every subject are for the greater part the utterances inspired of the devil! He does not know the Bible, and he is too big a coward to preach it if he did know it!

It is the preaching of the WORD!

The first thing for which the Holy Spirit came into this world was not to make people happy. The first thing for which He came into this world was to make people MISERABLE.

I have never yet seen men and women who were very happy when they were under conviction. When one is under a deep conviction it is rather a miserable condition to be in.

Now then, Peckham or Darms cannot convict you; I cannot do it, and neither can any officer here. But I can read the Word of God. There are very few people who can read it.

I remember one time I went down to a place in Ohio to preach for a church, where they had had many of the faculty and several of the ministerial students of Hiram College. Of course, I was not thinking anything about it, but I remember that they wrote to the President of Hiram College and said, "Voliva is the only man who has ever been here who could read a chapter so anybody could get any sense out of it."

I trust that it is true, and increasingly true today, that I can read the Bible so people understand it.

I heard a man say he would walk one hundred miles just to hear Dr. Dowie read the Fifty-third chapter of Isaiah.

You will know how to read the Bible when you study it and get into the meaning of it. Then you will be able to read it! A child can ask its mother for a piece of bread and butter, and there is no misunderstanding about it. I never yet heard a child ask his mother for bread and butter, when she thought he said cake.

I tell you, when some people read the Bible they are listening to their own voices. The only time a man really preaches and gets anywhere, is when he forgets himself.

Some people read the Bible so fast you cannot get any sense out of it.

Now, "I AM THE TRUE VINE."

I desire to read the Word of God so it will bore right into your spirits. ZION's platform is no place for a rattlebox; the only place for a rattlebox is in the baby's hands.

The Word of God—that is the important thing!—the Sword of the Spirit! That is what the Holy Ghost uses! You do not find anything else in Stephen's sermons, do you? And you do not find anything else in Peter's sermons, either! It is the WORD OF GOD!

All there is to most people is emotion; that is all they cultivate. The man who can make them snivel the most, is the man they want.

I remember the time when a minister could not get a call

except for two qualifications—talking through his nose and making people cry. The louder he could blow his fog-horn, the surer he was of a call.

Well, there is the Word of God!

Zion Teaches the Verbal Inspiration of the Bible

Wherever you go, tell the people that ZION believes in the verbal inspiration of the Word of God—that God inspired not only the thoughts, but the words as well; tell them that the General Overseer in ZION believes it, preaches it, and stands by it against all hell.

You will notice another thing: I have no time to spend arguing. The authoritative preacher *teaches*; he delivers his message, and he has no time to argue.

I received a long typewritten letter the other day from a man who wants to argue with me on the subject of baptism. He will get no argument! I say there is no room for it. Some people say there are two sides to every question; I say there is only ONE SIDE—the RIGHT SIDE.

Jesus the Christ never argued.

We have no business to argue. It is our business to give the authoritative teaching.

The Word of God is a very important matter—very important matter!

There can be no conversion without the Word of God! Get that into your heads!

You know, these fellows tell some little sympathetic story,—about an alligator biting a little boy, for instance—and the people get to crying and go up and shake hands with some renegade of an evangelist, and go out snickering and laughing. Then the report is—"Two hundred converts!"

You know I do not mince matters! I say emphatically that the rank and file of all the preachers in this country are going straight into the jaws of hell! I would not be in their shoes for a deed to the United States of America! They are a good-for-nothing lot, that is what they are!

I will tell you another thing: Nine hundred and ninety-nine church members out of every thousand, do not know a bit more about these subjects—being a branch of the True Vine, and being united with and living in Christ—than a hog knows about Egyptian hieroglyphics!

I do not wonder they prefer a dance hall to the prayer meeting. The "old man" always did and always will. But you could not get the "new man" in Christ Jesus into a dance hall, if you would pull him there with four team of horses. You might just as well go out and try to get an apple tree to bear thorns. It is not its nature, and it could not do it.

It is not necessary to tell a converted man to do this, that, or the other thing.

If, during this Feast, we can get every one who attends, and particularly every one in this Organization, to settle this question which I have set before you satisfactorily, we will have a far easier time in doing the work God has committed to our care; because the people will do their duty as naturally as a healthy tree bears fruit.

The Need of Sowing the Seed of the Word of God

I have said the Word is the Sword of the Spirit.

That is what the Bible says.

What is the Seed?

All life, you know, springs from seed.

As lives the flower within the seed,
As in the cone the tree.

You have to plant a seed before you get a stalk of corn or of wheat.

What is the Seed from which the spiritual man is born, ZION?

The WORD OF GOD!

Where must it be planted?

(PEOPLE: "In the heart.")

It must be planted in the immortal spirits of men!

The ministry is an absolute necessity, and the WORD OF GOD must be preached! You cannot substitute essays, orations, and death-bed stories—little silly things that are used in order to stir up the emotions of the people.

Why, emotion is all there is to some people.

"Oh, I feel so happy! I feel so happy!"

I have seen fellows who were feeling very happy one minute, go out the next and steal and lie and beat their wives and so on.

That is not the proposition! It is not a matter of feeling; feeling has nothing to do with it! I defy you to find in the Word of God where it is a matter of feeling.

It is a matter of *principle*!

The feeling will come afterwards, and it will not be a passing feeling—it will LAST; for it will have a true basis.

The WORD OF GOD!

I ask you, one and all, before God, how much attention do you give to the Book, along through your life? How much attention do you give to it every day? how much every week?

You eat your meals every day, do you not? Which is of the greater importance—the reading of the Word of God, or the eating of your dinner?

If you have to neglect one or the other, let the meal go, and read the Word of God.

You should have your own Bible; not some other person's Bible. If you do not own one, get one. It is more important, a good deal, than that you get butter.

While we have to give this physical part of our being some attention—because we have it—some day we are going to get rid of it; we will shuffle off this physical organism—just as when a building is complete we take down the scaffolding. The rank and file of the people pay no attention to the building; they are working on the scaffolds all the time.

When the Word is preached, the Holy Ghost moves upon the spirits of men and convicts them. All people are more or less under conviction all over this world. Every liar in the City of Chicago today is more or less under conviction.

The Holy Ghost is Striving with Men for Conviction

The first thing is conviction.

I wonder if there is anyone here today who has really never been under conviction—under deep conviction of sin.

It takes a ZION man to come along and convict people of their wickedness. God uses ZION preaching to show the people their sinfulness.

You know, there are a great many things they do outside, that we do not do in ZION.

A man may not dance, or play cards, or drink whisky, or smoke or chew tobacco, or do any one of a number of other things like that; but he may be a covetous devil, full of envy and jealousy; he may be full of the spirit of fault-finding and murmuring and criticism, and there are a great many other things that can damn a man as well as these outward things.

Do not make any mistake, negative Christianity will never save anybody. It takes the POSITIVE and the negative!

That is what the Bible means when it says:

How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?—Hebrews 2:3.

The fact that you refrain from one hundred and one things; the fact that you do not lie, or steal, or commit adultery, or go to theaters, or attend dances, or play cards, or get drunk, or use tobacco—a man may refrain from all those things and still go to hell.

A man will never get anywhere on that basis!

When you give up those things, you must GET SOMETHING in their place.

Conscience Must be Enlightened by God's Word

I wonder sometimes how people do the things they do. It seems to me that if they had the sensitive conscience that belongs to a real child of God, they would know in a second that they were getting onto forbidden ground.

Conscience, you know, is a creature of education. That is the reason I do not take any stock in the devilish talk about worshipping God according to the dictation of one's conscience.

It is a lie of the devil!

Your conscience is just about as you make it. Some people can screw their conscience up to indorse most anything, so that most of the time they are fairly comfortable.

God never made a man's conscience the sole dictator, although the Word of God says that even where they do not have the Word of God, the conscience accuses or excuses.

The conscience is put there as a monitor, and the Bible teaches it can be seared with a hot iron.

The first work of the Holy Spirit is to make men and women miserable—to bring them under conviction.

Now then, when men and women are brought under conviction, they can resist or they can yield to it.

The majority of the people resist it.

It is a very serious matter for anybody to resist the impulse that comes from God Almighty, but I find a lot of people who do it.

I tell you, it is a serious matter! When God calls a man that man must act, and do it quickly. He must not begin to make excuses and put it off, saying, "I will do it some day."

A man who talks like that will never do it. He will be cut off, and he will lose the opportunity.

Oh, I pray that during this Feast everybody in this Church will come right up to the mark and do everything God calls upon them to do.

I tremble for some people. They say they believe in ZION; that they believe the King is coming; that they believe God Himself is calling His people together here, and yet when you ask them what they are doing to build up this beautiful City, they are not doing anything.

I ask you this morning, is not this a lovely spot? Does it not present a striking contrast to the cities of the world from which you have come?

However, ZION CITY is a battle-field. Be very careful that you do not get on the ground of the enemy and get pierced with a dart; because the devil is contesting every inch of this ground, and every one of you. He is putting up a great fight for you.

A Living Faith Acts Now in Obedience to God's Call

It is a funny man or woman who believes in a ZION CITY, who is going to help *next year*. Such people never help! If you want to help build ZION CITY, do it this *morning*! If you do not do it this morning, you will never do it at all, mark what I say, and you will be left in the wilderness.

Those miserable Israelites, when they were down there at Kadesh-Barnea, the Promised Land was just a little ways off, and they were all ready to enter it, and they got *afraid*.

Fear!

I tell you, fear and faith do not dwell in the same breast.

You cannot trust God with one hand! You have to jump in! The thing to do is to shut your eyes and jump into the sea—and go clear in! I hope your feet will strike bottom, and when you are trusting God you will come up again.

You people who are hugging the shore, if I get a chance I am going to push you off.

Christ said, "Launch out into the deep."

May God help us, before this Feast is over, to rise up en masse and do a work that will astound the world!

We have the message; nobody else has it. If we keep united to Christ, that is the solution.

There are too many broken connections here—that is the difficulty!

Now, you are free moral agents. You can surrender or be stiff-necked and refuse to surrender.

Anything else than a full surrender means failure in the end. The most miserable wretch on God Almighty's earth is the man who is trying to do the impossible thing.

Jesus said, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

What is the use for us to try it?

Let us measure up to the standard of the Lord!

Salvation, healing, cleansing, every blessing that God has for us—we do not need to spend very much time talking about them.

Get United with Christ!

When the life of Christ flows through you, you will be all right.

Have you made a full surrender?

Are you afraid to make it?

Some say, "I am not going to make a full surrender; God might call me to cross the ocean, so I will make a little reservation here. God may want me to sell my farm, or do any one of a hundred things."

As long as you do not make a full surrender, you will never get anywhere in the Christian life. I would feel like a fool if I attempted to do other than make a full surrender.

Christ bought you with His Own precious blood. You are

not your own. As we sang in that beautiful hymn. "Not My Own." You are God's and all you have is God's, if you have made a full surrender. If you have not made a full surrender, you will never get very far—never! It makes no difference how much I may love you, or weep over you, or sympathize with you, or feel that I want to jump down there and pray for you—that makes no difference; you will not get anything.

IF YE ABIDE IN ME, AND MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU, YE SHALL ASK WHAT YE WILL, AND IT SHALL BE DONE UNTO YOU.

That is all there is to it!

The very moment you say, "I will surrender to God," at that very moment the connection between you and God is established. You cannot see it, you cannot analyze it, and you cannot understand it. It is a mysterious thing.

Life is a mysterious thing. We might put a pot plant on the table here, and Peckham might kill it. Then we could summons Taylor and Darms and Moot to put the life back into that plant, and how long do you suppose it would take them? They could not do it!

The So-called Sciences a Nauseating Mess

You might call in all of your so-called *scientists*—I hate the infernal word!

I was reading an article yesterday that would make a Christian sick at his stomach. It was an argument by a scientific Christian, to the effect that such a thing as the flood never could have taken place on this earth; and he gave as one of his proofs, that the earth was not crusted over with the kind of crust it would have had, had such a thing transpired.

I think that "ass" knew more about a crust of pie, than about the crust of the earth.

You talk about medical science, geological science, and astronomical science! The whole business put together is simply the devil's hodgepodge to discredit the Word of God.

There is no such a thing as a scientist on the face of the earth.

The Bible says, "The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God."

Now then, make a full surrender!

How many of you can say this morning that you are absolutely on God's altar?

I can say it, humbly before God. God knows, as He looks down upon me, whether I speak the truth or not.

I had a good laugh yesterday about a certain man.

Do you know what some men do, when they want to make you think they have everything on the altar? They deed their property to their wives.

That has been done.

Before they get on the altar, they transfer their property.

Have you ever seen that done?

You know it is done by men to keep from paying their debts, don't you? And it is done by men who call themselves ZION, for fear the General Overseer will press the question as to whether they have made a full surrender and got everything on the altar.

That is a nice piece of business!

Have you Made a Full Surrender

Are you subject to the call of God? or are you going to do as you please, and go as you like?

When men and women come here for a time, and then say, "I guess I will go to Florida"—why, if I were to say that I would expect God to follow me and let a fish swallow me. I would expect to be in hell!

When God said, "Come thou and all thy house into the ark," suppose Noah had said, "Lord, I have to make a little trip over here to Bithynia," or some other province.

When God calls a man to do a thing, He expects that man to *obey*—and no fooling about it, either.

I say we are living in the days symbolized by Nebuchadnezzar's image! I say that the Kaiser, the King of Great Britain, the President of France, and these other rulers, are the kings in whose days God will set up His KINGDOM, which will be the fifth universal empire!

I say that your eyes behold today what the prophets of old and the servants of God longed to see, but did not see!

Are we awake to our privileges and opportunities?

I tell you, the only way to get anywhere is to put yourself absolutely in the hands of God—unreservedly, keeping nothing back.

Some people are going to go to hell over a little old three thousand dollar house; others will go to hell over a farm.

Why, think of this life—thirty-five years, fifty years, sixty years, and some live to be eighty or ninety; Mother King, ninety-eight—and then think of people hazarding the interests of all Eternity, for a few years here!

Think of that fellow who died a few weeks ago and just before he died he called his sons and requested them to take him to the barn. They carried him out and he patted the different horses and cows, and then after he had taken a last look at his farm they carried him back to the house, where he died soon after and dropped into hell.

What else could you expect?

Think of a human being going out of life like that!

Think of it!

Choosing an Eternal Home With God

When I was down South in February, as I drove around Havanna, Miami, Palm Beach, and other places, I saw scores and hundreds of palaces. I smiled as I looked up to the sky, and I said to my Heavenly Father, "I could have had a place like this if I had wanted it. I could have gone into the practice of law, or into business for myself. But I thank You that instead of owning one of these places, I have one up yonder that is more beautiful than all of these put together."

After a while I will shuffle off this temple of clay and start living in my beautiful residence up there in the sky, while some of you, if you do not look out, will be writhing in hell under a tin can.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures"—where?

(PEOPLE: "Upon earth.")

Is not that about all the people are doing?

That is about all they are doing!

Are any of you carrying your possessions around with you, and taking the position, "If I do not look out I will go to the poorhouse"?

Now, some of you may say, "I started in the Christian life thirty years ago."

Yes, I know. I had one Methodist lady tell me that she had thought she was a Christian, but that after she listened to the addresses in ZION, she began to wonder. I explained these matters to her in detail, as the Word gives them to us; and they are very simple.

You know whether you are trusting in the Eternal God or not. And if there is not any God, and we cannot trust Him, I would as soon starve to death today as any other time.

There are multitudes who are living today, looking forward to the drink of whisky they are going to get Saturday.

I am not living for that. While I am in this world, I am not of this world. Before God, I can say that I love not the world; nor have I any love for any of the things of the world. I have no use for legitimate things, except as they can be utilized for the extension of THE KINGDOM OF GOD. I would rather live through Eternity, than to live here.

If you read my sermon which was delivered here on Easter—which, probably, some of you did not—you learned some things as to what LIFE, in the Bible, means.

Eternal Life is a Matter of Knowledge

Life is not continuous existence; that is not life.

You say of the way some people live, "Well, that is not living at all." By that you do not mean that they are not alive physically, active, and so on. One can continue to exist, and be in hell; but Eternal life is a matter of knowledge—it is to know God, and Jesus the Christ Whom He hath sent.

Let us settle this question this morning: Am I united to Christ?

If you are, you will bear the fruit. If you are not bearing the fruit, you are not united to Christ. If you can simply say, "I do not do anything that is bad"—neither does a gate-post.

Where there is life, there is activity.

Do you see that little two-year-old child there? Do you see him breaking a leg off that chair? Talk about perpetual

motion—look at his legs! Although he makes a lot of work, the mother is happy.

However, when a mother comes in carrying a four-year-old boy, and he does not move his legs or arms, and cannot talk, it is a sad sight; there is something wrong there.

Well now, there is the parallel spiritually.

When a man makes a full surrender to God, and gives up absolutely, then joy fills his life and he forgets about everything else.

You say, "Looks like I am going to die."

That does not make any difference—suppose you do? I will guarantee the sun will come up tomorrow morning if you do.

Do not worry!

Get your eyes off yourself!

Look to God!

That is the proper thing to do!

Have you made a full surrender?

Are you united with Christ?

I would not be a true shepherd if I allowed people under my ministry to live a half-hearted, slipshod, indifferent, careless life. I would be responsible in the Day of Judgment for their destruction.

The Standard Maintained in Zion

If I were not a man of God, if I had not been called of God, and if I were looking for what the world calls success, I would simply bring down the standard so that every devil in the country could come in. Why, I could have them moving in here by the thousands and tens of thousands, if I would build a theater, open a big dance hall, and so on.

What would we have when we got them?

That is what that old Brigham Young did. They open their general conference with about forty dance-halls going. Just about as much Christianity there as you would find in hell!

Look at the Roman Catholic Church—rotten and stinking! Almost every saloon-keeper in Chicago is a Roman Catholic.

I tell you, it makes them dance "juber" in Chicago when I tell them I am the only preacher in Chicago who believes the Bible; that I am the only preacher in Chicago who preaches the Gospel, and that ZION is the salt of the earth.

Just as truly as I believe I am standing here, I believe ZION is the salt of the earth. Take ZION out of the world today, and what is there left?

What are these churches?

You know what they are!

Do they preach the Gospel?

They have nothing but a veneer—a pretense.

Think of these churches with dance-halls, billiard halls, and pool rooms attached; and the members engaged in all kinds of questionable amusements!

God Almighty has puked them out long ago!

Some of you people are entirely too nice to suit me. Do not be afraid of that word "puke." Getting too nice, you know, takes people to hell.

One miserable parson in Chicago was reading the Third of Revelation, and when he came to the word "spew," he said it was not a nice word, and he would not read it.

"So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will *spew* thee out of my mouth."

I read it!

Do not be so nice!

The purer a man is, the more scathing is his denunciation of impurity and sin of every kind.

You know what the stomach will do. The first day I was in Melbourne I spent the whole day looking for a tabernacle, and I never stopped to eat. I bought a pound of cherries, and as I went from hall to hall I ate the cherries. That night I had quite a time. I had to do with those cherries just what God has to do with these churches—that was throw them up; and I did it.

Zion Calling the Saints out of the Churches

Get out of these churches into ZION!

You are here attending the Feast, here are the application forms, and here is the baptistry. Take your stand.

ZION is the salt of the earth!

ZION is either the whole thing, or she is nothing!

ZION is either God's Organization, or it is the creation of a man!

I say it is GOD'S ORGANIZATION!

Do not be afraid of what people say! I do not care what they say!

ZION is the salt of the earth!

ZION is the LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

Of course, they say, "Look at our beautiful church! Look at all the rich people we have!"

Yes; but where is your religion?

They haven't any!

Where is your power?

They haven't any!

Where is your witnessing?

May this Feast see ZION take a great step forward!

My brothers and sisters, if you cannot learn everything this morning, be patient. If you are in the "ABC" class, God bless you! I will be kind to you.

I started to school in "Mud-hole Academy," where the teacher had to teach eight grades, and all sat in one room. While the "ABC" class was reciting, another grade was studying English grammar. The teacher was kind to them all, but they used the hickory gad in those days, I can tell you.

You may be in the "ABC" class. We cannot expect you to see some things men and women see who have been in ZION for years and years. Learn the alphabet, and you will get into the fifth reader some day. Sometimes I take people through very rapidly.

I have known fellows to go through college in a day—in at the front door and out at the back.

Now, I believe this question as to whether you are united with Christ is the most important matter for us to consider right now. Then everything else will come. I will not need to say, "Study the Bible; go to meeting regularly; get into the Restoration Host; go to work in the Master's vineyard."

Life Without Activity is Worthless

Where there is life, there is activity. You cannot expect dormancy where there is life. The trouble with some people, they have no life.

Now, we have to eat. I have to eat; I could not live without eating. I have to sleep. This body must have certain attentions; but this body is not all—it is the least part.

I want to say some things in different addresses about living the physical life. That is the only life a great many people live.

Look at the cities of the world! Many of you have come from different cities, and you know they are as corrupt as hell! There is not anything that is not practiced in them. Oh, they are corrupt—indescribably corrupt! They are given over to the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Filthy minds!

Why, the rank and file of the people in the cities where you came from never have a pure thought from morning to night! They never think of God! It is tobacco, whisky, vice, immorality, theaters, and all the rest of it. They are a dirty, low-down, corrupt, vile lot, and you know it as well as I do! There is not anything that the devil can conjure up that they do not have in these cities today.

The greatest thing on this earth is purity of life—the mind centered on God. There is the solution of everything! Then ZION CITY will be established, and the ZION banner will float triumphantly over every foot of this land that was consecrated to God.

Make a full surrender to God!

That is the solution!

A Community of Interest in Zion

Do not say, "I wish we had some millionaire in ZION." I do not, unless he were a Christian; and if he were a Christian he would not be a millionaire very long. If a man had a million dollars this morning, and he made a full surrender, he would not have it very long—he *could* not have it very long.

Last Lord's Day in Chicago I read to them the Second and the Fourth of Acts. I do not know how the people enjoyed it, but I enjoyed it.

I will tell you, the Acts of the Apostles thrills a man through and through.

Talk about miracles!

I do not wonder that they had miracles!

Let me get this people onto the same basis, and you will see miracles, too. You cannot have miracles among a lot of old Mammon worshippers. Those people were worshippers of GOD—they made the surrender.

Let us make the surrender!

I believe that God demands that His people be gathered together today, just as truly as He demanded that they go into the Ark in the days of Noah. I believe the time will come when it will be necessary for God's people to be gathered into a place of safety.

Look at the storm! I do not say it has entirely gathered, but it is already settling over this world.

You say, "I am a Christian; my husband is not. He will not consider ZION."

Never mind, God will work that out when the time comes. When the Lord comes He will not stop to bother about that old whisky-soak you are living with. The Word says,

"Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left."

For instance, the wife will be taken, and that *thing* with whom she is living will be left. There will be a separation then.

True Marriages are Made by the Lord

The only trouble with some of you people, you made a terrible blunder when you got married. The Lord did not make your marriage. The Lord makes all true marriages, and when the Lord makes a marriage it will turn out all right.

Now then, the rising generation in ZION will be without an excuse; for they have had the teaching. I wish all of you could have had this teaching when you were children. You did not have it; thank God you have it now.

Let us live up to our opportunities!

Full surrender—that is the happy life!

United with Christ—that is the successful life!

When you are once united, stay united—abide in Christ. That is the proper thing to do!

This is a good time to get everything right. Do not put it off! As sure as God sits on His throne, the day of reckoning comes to every man and every woman.

Do not think because you got through last year all right, and the judgment did not come, that it is not coming. You may go through this year, and next year, and the next five or ten years; but the day is coming when you will have to answer to God. You will be up against it, and you will get no answer; there will be no victory.

Why?

Because ten years ago you neglected to do what you knew you ought to do.

If you are not right this morning, you had better not lose any time in getting right.

You say, "What do I care? I am strong and healthy and getting along all right."

That is what they said in the Bible. Some of the righteous began to think, "What about these wicked people? They seem to be getting along all right."

The day of reckoning is coming to every man and woman! You do not need to wait until after you go out of this body for it, either; for it comes right here.

Now then, I have to be perfectly plain. Sometimes there are people who cannot get back. They are like Esau—they seek repentance with tears, but there is none for them.

It is a sad place into which to get.

I know of people today who are right down in the valley, when if they had listened to me two or three years ago they would be here this morning in health and strength happy in the Lord.

Thank God for the Light—for the Message!

Now, while we are here this morning, think of the nations of the world and of what is going on today! Thousands of poor fellows who were ordered to battle this morning will be killed before sundown.

Some of these countries say they are prepared to lose hundreds and thousands of men. It is terrible! We ought to thank God that we are permitted to meet here in peace and quiet.

Before it gets too bad God will come and take His saints out, and if you are not ready you will be left to go through the tribulation.

Take the Word of God and read it, study it, and live it!

May God sanctify this service!

(The General Overseer then pronounced the Benediction.)

Ordination of Officers

The following-named Elder was ordained to the Office of Apostle in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer, at the Service held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Friday evening, July 14th, 1916.

William Davies Taylor.....Zion City, Illinois

The following-named Officers were ordained to the Office of Elder in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer, at the Service held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Friday evening, July 14, 1916.

August HammockCincinnati, Ohio

Micheal Jonas Mintern.....Zion City, Illinois

William Matthew Wigham.....Minneapolis, Minn.

The following-named Persons were ordained to the Office of Deaconess in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer, at the Service held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Friday evening, July 14, 1916.

Bishop, Mrs. Alice Hulbert.....Zion City, Illinois

Brooks, Mrs. JeanetteZion City, Illinois

Farrar, Mrs. EmilyZion City, Illinois

Mehaffey, Mrs. Mary Gertrude....Zion City, Illinois

Melin, Mrs. Lucie Wallington....Zion City, Illinois

Rendall, Mrs. EvangelineZion City, Illinois

Reynolds, Mrs. IdaZion City, Illinois

Robinson, Mrs. HesterZion City, Illinois

Barrowcliff, Mrs. Sophia W.....Cincinnati, Ohio

Hueneryager, Mrs. Julia M.....Chicago, Illinois

Reinhold, Mrs. Anna M.....Chicago, Illinois

The following-named Persons were ordained to the Office of Deacon in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer, at the Service held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Friday evening, July 14, 1916.

Barton, Martius P.Zion City, Illinois

Clough, Harold R.Zion City, Illinois

Cook, Denver RoscoeZion City, Illinois

Hendricks, Christopher L.Zion City, Illinois

Huth, Carl L.Zion City, Illinois

Kutz, Samuel WilliamZion City, Illinois

Leech, Grover C.Zion City, Illinois

Leitch, Watson D.Zion City, Illinois

Lubke, Charles F. E.Zion City, Illinois

Mole, Clement W.Zion City, Illinois

Paxton, Earl B.Zion City, Illinois

Pihl, Ralph R.Zion City, Illinois

Ray, Robert LeeZion City, Illinois

Robinson, PercyZion City, Illinois

Schleter, Emil StephenZion City, Illinois

Snelling, ArthurZion City, Illinois

Sutton, Harry W.Zion City, Illinois

Whiteside, Mark R.Zion City, Illinois

Wright, Arthur AlbertZion City, Illinois

Bailey, Elmer E.Kenosha, Wisconsin

Barrowcliff, William B.Cincinnati, Ohio

Bishop, AndrewLaporte City, Iowa

Demmer, CharlesSanta Rosa, Calif.

Lord's Day Afternoon, July 16, 1916:

Emanuelson, EmanuelChicago, Illinois

Hueneryager, Albert EdwardChicago, Illinois

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EDITORIAL NOTES

(Continued from page 438)

ZION WITH HER BEAUTIFUL CITY on the shores of Lake Michigan,

ZION with her grand teaching of THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM,

ZION with a saved, healed and cleansed people in a strong Church,

ZION with her industrious men, her loving mothers, her talented youths and maidens, and her bright children and little tots; ZION with her business Institutions,

ZION with her LEAVES OF HEALING, which inspire thousands with the faith of God,

ZION with a fearless, a true and tried leader who has gone through the hottest of the battle waged against the hosts of hell,

ZION with her many branches, gatherings and mission stations springing up in this and in many other lands,

ZION has thus once more come forth from the hand of God more beautiful, and more humble, and more faithful than ZION ever was in the past!

THE STANDARD OF ZION is OBEDIENCE to God's Holy Word.

The STANDARD of ZION is believing and accepting all of God's promises.

The STANDARD of ZION is purity of life and conduct.

The STANDARD of ZION is absolute HONESTY in business.

The STANDARD of ZION is to make every member a live, active, useful factor in extending THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

The STANDARD of ZION is to KNOW to do the will of God as it is done in Heaven.

The STANDARD of ZION is to have a CHURCH without spot or wrinkle.

No other people in the whole world have as much to praise God for as have those who are doing their utmost to co-operate with the GENERAL OVERSEER to lift up the STANDARD of ZION to an ever higher and better plane.

LET NO ONE BE DISCOURAGED, because ZION is only in its infancy!

Do not despise the day of small things!

Take your stand, wherever you may be, whose heart is touched with the reading of these notes, and enter the fight!

There is room in ZION for every true soldier of the Cross!

There will be plenty of fight left for you, and there will be plenty of rewards left for you, if you will be faithful!

BE UP AND DOING!

Get awake and work!

Shirk no duty; shrink from no sacrifice; be faithful unto death! With this spirit in young and old we shall conquer; we shall win.

SET UP THE STANDARD TOWARD ZION.

You say, "I believe in and want a ZION CITY." Then prove your statement by substantial help in making the next payment on September 1, 1916.

ZION CITY—the only City of its kind in the world, and in deed and in truth a refuge for people who are sick and tired of conditions in the world—must be firmly established!

It takes ZION men and women, and money, to do it!

Will you help?—or will you say, "Let somebody else do it"?

May God lay it heavily upon every ZION heart that another payment must be made on the ZION Estate, September 1, 1916!

It is neither here nor there whether the General Overseer and the General Manager and a few others can, in some way, take care of this payment.

There awaits a great blessing for every officer and member in ZION who comes forward immediately and renders substantial help.

How much money have ZION people, in the aggregate, in outside banks? How much have ZION people due to them in the way of notes, bonds, and other forms of investments, which are now in the world?

In the building of ZION CITY you are neither asked, nor permitted, to make any gifts—all gifts must go to the Church or to ZION Schools, or, in short, into the Ecclesiastical Department.

You are asked to help pay for this Estate by BUYING the ASSETS.

ZION people who have hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of outside properties to sell, can easily and quickly raise a large sum of money by mortgaging these properties, at the same time continuing to work and pray for their sale.

Occasionally one says, when this suggestion is made, "Not much! You do not catch me putting any mortgage on my farm or property to help build any ZION CITY."

Christ gave up and left Heaven, sweat as it were drops of blood, and died upon the cross for you. How much are you willing to do for Him?

God has wrought wonders, and ZION CITY will be built and His People prepared for the coming of Jesus the Christ. As to whether YOU will have any part in it or not, is for you to say.

When God calls He expects an IMMEDIATE ANSWER, and He is not going to give you years to do what you ought to do TOMORROW!

Notes of Thanksgiving to Zion's God

Healed of Asthma and Nervousness

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, June 13, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

A week ago last Monday, June 5th, my daughter, Mrs. W. Shumaker, phoned and asked you to pray. Elder Robbins and ourselves prayed in behalf of my wife who was very sick with asthma and nervousness. She was so very bad that we sent for our family to come home, and by eight o'clock in the evening they were all here, seven in all, from Chicago, and Knox, Ind. But my wife had already had a victory and was fast recovering from the attack. In a very few days she was up and around her work again.

We do praise God for His goodness and mercy to us all and ask your prayers that we may ever be true and faithful to God and ZION.

Yours in the Master's Service,

(Signed) C. P. LARSEN.

Taken "Leaves of Healing" for Nineteen Years

IOWA, March 20, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

I have been blessed through LEAVES OF HEALING and I thank God for it. I have been taking LEAVES OF HEALING for 19 years, it is the best paper in the world.

On June 1, 1898, I took the Lord for my Healer, and I have found Him to be true to His Word. I had a wonderful healing, and I have not taken a bit of medicine of any kind for 17 years and 8 months, and, praise God, I never will.

Your brother in Christ,

(Signed) ANDREW BISHOP.

Entire Family Blessed Through the Teaching of Zion

ENGLAND, May 9th, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

Dear General Overseer:

Please find enclosed a Money Order for.....of whichare for the Redemption Fund and a year's subscription to LEAVES OF HEALING, as the subscription will soon expire, and the remainder is for tithes and offerings.

I wish to thank you for the letter I received informing me about the subscription of the LEAVES OF HEALING expiring. I also wish to thank you for your prayer for my husband who met with an accident. Since my daughter sent in a request, he is much better and able to work again. Please kindly remember us still in your prayers.

Your sister in the Christ,

(Signed) MRS. EMMA LLOYD.

Healed of Cancer and Kept for Many Years

CALIFORNIA, May 15th, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace be unto you!"

I will always give thanks unto God for ZION, for out of ZION comes the true teachings of the Word of God. I thank God for His mercies and blessings to me and mine.

It is now twenty years since I first learned of ZION. At

that time I was sorely afflicted with, what the doctors called, cancer of the stomach, but thanks to God, He healed me and has kept me all these years, and also my wife and children.

God has also delivered me many times of lesser sicknesses and also from tobacco, strong drink, pork, theatre, secret societies and other evils.

I will always remember ZION in my prayers. May God bless and prosper!

I remain

Your servant with brotherly love,

(Signed) LOUIS H. FISHER.

Home Saved from Raging Fire in Answer to Prayer

TEXAS, April 12th, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

Thanking God for your prayers in the past, I come again to day, feeling God and you will say to me, "Oh you of little faith," for I feel in need, as the disciples on the stormy night.

Since the fire, my son who was doing so well has overworked, helping get the lumber out to rebuild the town, which was two thirds destroyed. Satan is ever on the watch for a place to come in.

God so graciously answered prayer when the fire was raging around home, the yard and my son's home. When repeatedly they told me the yard was going, by faith I held on to God and it was saved. It is our Father who said to believe when ye pray and ye shall have it.

I praise God that after you prayed I was strengthened. My request is that God will speedily heal my son.

God bless you is my repeated petition.

Sincerely,

(Signed:) MRS. A. B. HINKLE.

The First Psalm

BLESSED is the
MAN

1. That WALKETH not in the COUNSEL of the UNGODLY,
2. Nor STANDETH in the WAY of SINNERS,
3. Nor SITTETH in the SEAT of the SCORNFUL.

But his DELIGHT
is in

1. The LAW of the LORD;
2. In His LAW doth he MEDITATE DAY and NIGHT.

He shall be like

1. A TREE PLANTED by the RIVERS of WATER,
2. That BRINGETH forth his FRUIT in his SEASON;
3. His LEAF also shall not WITHER; and
4. WHATSOEVER he DOETH shall PROSPER.

ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION HOME is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION HOME is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.



ZION HOME

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, renovating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION HOME.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

Thousands Want a Zion City

The DESIRE for a Zion City must be accomplished by FAITH!

Faith must be followed by WORKS!

The immediate attention of the thousands who want a Zion City is called to the fact that on September 1, 1916, another payment must be made on the Zion Estate.

This payment, under the old arrangement made March 1, 1911, amounted to \$125,000.00; but under the new arrangement which has recently been effected, the entire amount, together with interest in full, that has to be paid, amounts to the comparatively small sum of \$41,500.00.

All who want a Zion City should appreciate what the General Overseer and General Manager have been able to accomplish, and should show their appreciation by an immediate response to this call.

Every person who wants a Zion City should consider this obligation his own individual obligation, and should realize that if he does not come forward to the full extent of his ability, then, so far as he is concerned, no matter how much he may want a Zion City, there will never be one built.

W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, is the General Manager, and every person, no matter where he lives, who wants a Zion City, should write him within the next ten days.

There is but one position for you to take, and that is: "If I do not do my full duty, then this obligation will not be met."

The Zion Estate does not ask for, neither will it accept, any gifts. We want Zion people to purchase the city lots, the acre tracts, the farms, the residential properties, or loan their money where it can be used for the extension of God's Kingdom.

Do not fail to WRITE TODAY and tell the General Manager he can depend upon you for \$100.00, or \$500.00, or \$1,000.00, or \$10,000, or more—whatever the amount may be.

An immediate response on the part of all who want a Zion City will make this matter a very easy one.

Earnestly praying that God will help one and all to translate the prayers, testimonies, and addresses of the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles into action; that He may touch your hearts, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully, in Jesus' Name,



GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR ZION PEOPLE

To purchase FARMS from the Zion Estate—farms ranging in size from 20 acres to 123 acres, at from \$85.00 to \$125.00 per acre.

To purchase residential properties, in size from four rooms to twelve rooms, at from \$850.00 to \$4,700.00.

Now is the time for Zion People to make purchases, and to get located in and around Zion City, where they will have ecclesiastical, educational, and other advantages they cannot have anywhere else.

Zion Schools, including the Kindergarten, the Junior Schools, and Preparatory College, will be opened in September.

There should be, from this day forward, the greatest possible effort, with unwavering faith in God, put forth to dispose of all outside properties, so that one and all can come quickly, with all their resources, to help establish Zion City.

For information write to

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
Administration Building,
Zion City, Illinois

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

SPECIAL NOTICE

It being our desire to encourage members and friends of ZION to take a quantity of the current issue of LEAVES OF HEALING regularly each week, we herewith make the following announcement:

Persons living in the United States who purchase them for Seventy work and who pay for them entirely out of their own pocket, can have a quantity of not less than five copies mailed to them regularly each week at three cents per copy. Persons living in Canada can get them at four cents per copy, and in foreign countries at five cents per copy, the difference being the amount of postage required in mailing them. Anyone taking a quantity in this way must pay for them at regular intervals of at least four weeks in advance. For instance, anyone desiring ten copies per week can remit One Dollar and Twenty Cents regularly every four weeks, and persons desiring fifteen copies, One Dollar and Eighty Cents every four weeks, etc.

This rate to private individuals who are bearing the expense alone, and who desire to do Seventy work in their respective neighborhoods, is even lower than we are allowing to the regular branches, and very much below the cost of publication. But it is our intention to do everything within our power to get the LEAVES OF HEALING spread broadcast throughout the country.

This arrangement furnishes an excellent opportunity for isolated members of ZION, living here and there throughout the world, to do active and progressive Seventy work in their vicinities. They can perhaps sell enough papers each week at five cents per copy to reimburse them for their expense, and they can mail out the others to friends or dispose of them as they feel led.

We have people on our list at present who are taking as high as twenty-five copies per week, others fifteen copies, some ten copies, some six, and some five copies per week. We desire to greatly increase this quantity list, and we trust that members and friends of Zion will respond heartily in this matter.

ZION CITY PEOPLE can also subscribe for five or more copies per week in the same way. This arrangement will enable people to spread the LEAVES OF HEALING at a very reasonable cost by mailing them out.

Any one taking advantage of this very special rate, however, is expected to keep it up permanently month after month, if they reasonably can. One never knows what just one copy of LEAVES OF HEALING may accomplish.

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THE CENTER OF INTEREST IN ZION CITY

The Principal Service is held every Lord's Day, beginning with the Processional by the Zion White-Robed Choirs, promptly at 2:30 p. m.

All persons visiting Zion City should arrange to attend at least one Lord's Day Service. Visitors always welcome.

For complete information, from week to week, concerning the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, subscribe for the LEAVES OF HEALING.

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(WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA)

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General Manager

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Lovest Thou Me More Than These?

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LOVE is, without question, the most important attribute of God and man.

"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.

"God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God and God in him."—I. John 4:16.

The redemption of sinful, fallen humanity was made possible only because of the Divine attribute of God's Eternal and unchangeable love toward the human race created in His image.

THE SALVATION OF A LOST WORLD THE OBJECT OF GOD'S LOVE

It was because of this Divine attribute that the Eternal God, our Heavenly Father, made the sacrifice of His Only Begotten Son, Jesus the Christ, for the salvation of a lost world. No greater price could have been paid on the part of God, to lift up a fallen race out of the mire

of sin, than that of sending Jesus the Christ into the world to take upon Himself our sins, and through the sacrifice upon the cross provide an Eternal redemption for mankind.

Jesus the Christ exemplified the Eternal Love of God in all His life and ministry. His purpose was to bring about a new creation in the hearts of men; to enable those that had been tempted by sin to overcome; and to bring them to the place where every stain of guilt was removed through the cleansing blood of Christ. Fallen man was not only to be redeemed from the effects of sin, through the atoning work of Jesus the Christ, but also from the power of sin, which still might assert itself notwithstanding the fact that he had found in the Christ an all-atoning Savior from sin.

The possibility of sin is not taken away with the fact of salvation, or else it would be impossible for any one ever having been saved to again yield to temptation, or to be overcome of evil. The Word of God is full of examples of those who professed to love and serve God, and yet, at times, were overcome by certain besetting sins, by unexpected, unforeseen temptations.

There is, however, no excuse for any one to give way to Satan at any time, on any occasion, or under any circumstance. Yet the fact of salvation does not make it impossible for man again to fall into sin, but abiding in Christ makes it impossible.

"Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

"Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

"Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

"Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things."—1 Corinthians 13:4-7.

THE EFFECTS AS WELL AS THE GUILT OF SIN REMOVED THROUGH CHRIST

God has provided a way through which sin can be overcome at all times. Only by continual abiding in the Christ, and having His Words continually abiding in us can we reach the place of a continuous victory.

It is not enough merely to enter in upon the straight and narrow way that leads to Eternal life; but the redeemed sinner must not be contented until he finds that other way into which the straight and narrow way leads; that is the Highway of Holiness over which no unclean thing shall pass.

The purpose of the redemptive work of Jesus the Christ is to remove not only the presence, the fact, and the power of sin, but so to fill the heart of the ransomed with the love of God that he, in all his life and nature and work, shall be made like unto God, shall be made holy, even as He is holy.

The Word of God admonishes us that "Ye shall be holy even as I am;" and in another place "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification," and still in another place, "For without holiness no man shall see the Lord." It is only by daily watching

and praying that this problem of growth in the Christian life, called holiness, or sanctification, can be solved.

That professing disciples of the Christ have not yet reached the place of a continuous, permanent triumph over sin and temptation is apparent on every hand. Many contradictions are still found in the lives of those professing to follow the Christ. Many inexcusable failings are tolerated by professing Christians, which cause others to stumble, and instead of their becoming a help, they are in reality, a hindrance to God's cause and KINGDOM.

One of the most notable examples of vacillating people, professing to be followers of the Christ, is that of the Apostle Peter, who, after having followed the Christ throughout His entire public ministry, at last at the crucial point, gave way to his besetting sin of impulsiveness and brought great grief and sorrow to the heart of His Lord and Master, Whom he publicly and repeatedly had denied. We see this weakness manifesting itself from the very beginning of his discipleship.

The Apostle Peter was, without question, the most outspoken, bold, and courageous of the entire number of the twelve Apostles. He was the first to profess and to proclaim Christ as the Messiah, saying,

"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

To him were given the keys of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN by Jesus the Christ, and there can be no question but that this great responsibility made him to be chief-spokesman in the apostolic college; but even that did not hinder the Christ the very same day and on the very same occasion, when speaking of His suffering, death and resurrection, to rebuke this same Peter who said, "Be it far from Thee Lord, this shall not be unto Thee."

We now see Jesus rebuking the very one who first proclaimed Him as the Messiah of God, saying unto Peter: "Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men."

PRESUMPTION AND SELF CONCEIT OPEN THE WAY FOR TEMPTATION

There were some other occasions where the vacillating faith of Peter the Apostle manifested itself; but at no time and at no place as pronounced, as in the high priest's palace, where Jesus was being tried on the ground of His Messiahship, when He was asked, "Art Thou the Christ, the Son of God?", this time it was not Peter that declared His Messiahship, though he was present, this time it was Jesus Himself who said: "I am and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of Heaven."

It was the hour of darkness and the Prince of this world seemed to have severed every tie of affection and gratitude and dependence which had ever existed between the twelve Apostles and their Lord and Master. This hour of darkness did not come upon them unawares, for the Christ had repeatedly warned them concerning this. Even the very night before the betrayal, the Christ had given them every detail of His final rejection and crucifixion, and He had warned them of the fact that they would all be offended because of Him, and all forsake Him in the hour of His trial and suffering. It was Peter who mustered up courage to assure the Christ though all should forsake Him, yet he would remain faithful even unto death.

Jesus the Christ then goes one step further, and after having declared that all would forsake Him in general, now makes a specific statement regarding Peter the Apostle, that he would deny Him thrice before the cock crow. Even this was not enough to put this bold, this presumptuous, self-conceited Apostle upon his guard, for he asserted in the very face of this plain warning that he would be ready to die for his Lord and Master.

"Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of Me this night; for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.

"But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

"Peter answered and said unto Him, Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended.

"Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.

"Peter said unto Him, Though I should die with Thee, yet will I not deny Thee. Likewise also said all the disciples."—Matthew 26:31-35.

A fact that should not be overlooked, when considering this uncalled-for presumptuous opinion that Peter had regarding his

own stability and faithfulness, is that when Jesus knew that this impulsiveness, which had asserted itself repeatedly in Peter's life, would eventually bring about his downfall and his disgrace, He, Jesus the Christ, then and there, not after, but before the denial and downfall of Peter, prayed for his restoration.

THE CHRIST PRAYING FOR PETER'S RESTORATION BEFORE HIS FALL

This is one of the most pathetic incidents in the ministry of Christ, looking as it were to the denial of one of His own chosen disciples, instead of chiding, reproof, rebuking and rejecting Him, He prayed for him, that his faith should not fail, and that his usefulness not only should not end because of his fall, but in spite of his fall, his usefulness should be made greater by strengthening his brethren because of the answered prayer of Jesus the Christ.

"And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat:

"But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

"And he said unto Him, Lord, I am ready to go with Thee, both into prison and to death.

"And he said, I tell thee Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me."—Luke 22:31-34.

Even this did not hinder Peter the Apostle from committing the most uncalled-for, the most inexcusable and the most reprehensible sin of his life, by giving way in denial to a certain maid and others who had identified him as one of Christ's disciples.

There was absolutely no necessity for Peter to deny his Lord upon this occasion, for John the Apostle no doubt was present under the very same circumstances. It was because John was personally acquainted with the high-priest and with the authority of the Sanhedrin that made his own presence, and through his intercession, that of the Apostle Peter's possible in the high-priest's palace. There is no record of any denial on the part of John the Apostle identifying himself with the cause of Christ; but rather we can take it for granted that he was true to his convictions and to his profession. The difference between these two Apostles was not that of outward circumstances, but that of an inherent weakness which Peter, throughout the entire ministry of Christ had failed to overcome, namely, that of considering himself stronger and better and more faithful than any of the other Apostles.

That this was true with reference to Judas Iscariot is due to the fact that he did not, as Judas, deliberately go into the devil's territory to consult with the enemies of Christ for the purpose of satisfying his covetous spirit and filling his purse. Judas did not wait for temptation to come to him; but knowingly and deliberately exposed himself to the assaults of Satan. It was therefore no surprise that Satan at last entered the heart of Judas Iscariot, and though after his betrayal he sought repentance with tears, he did not find it.

FOLLOWING THE CHRIST AFAR OFF CAUSED PETER TO DENY THE CHRIST

Peter on the other hand, while seeking to carry out his resolution to be faithful to the Christ, no matter what would happen, made the mistake of following Him "afar off," and because he followed Him afar off, fear and doubt entered into his heart and mind, and he became more concerned about saving himself amidst the trying circumstances than of upholding the Christ. We are therefore not surprised at finding his faith and his courage and his love for the Christ waning before the terrible fear which had seized his spirit, and taken complete control and possession of him.

"But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with Him.

"And he denied Him, saying, Woman, I know Him not.

"And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man I am not.

And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with Him; for he is a Galilaean.

"And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew."—Luke 22:56-60.

A still more touching incident than that which we have

already considered, regarding the prayer of Jesus for the restoration of Peter, is that recorded of Jesus turning and looking upon Peter at the very time of Peter's three-fold denial.

"And the Lord turned and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.

"And Peter went out and wept bitterly."—Luke 22:61-62.

It was at this time when Peter's restoration began; for it was this tender, penetrating look of the Christ that brought conviction to the mind and heart of Peter, and caused him to remember the words of warning which had been spoken previously to him.

That Peter's repentance was genuine is proved from the fact that he sought again the fellowship of the other Apostles and that he was concerned about the resurrection of Jesus the Christ, when told by the women on the third day after His burial, that the stone had been removed from the sepulchre.

Among the first appearances of the risen Christ on the day of His resurrection, was His appearance to Simon Peter; but we have no record of any specific conversation which took place between the Christ and the disciple who had denied Him.

THE TENDER CHRIST SEEKING TO RESTORE THE UNFAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Soon after the resurrection we find the Apostle Peter with the other ten Apostles on their way to Galilee, and it was Peter, who first made the suggestion, "I go a fishing," the other disciples said unto him, "We also go with thee;" but they caught nothing that night. Here, in the midst of their failure, by the sea of Tiberias, Christ appears and commands them to "Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find." "They drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken."

After Jesus had finished dining with His disciples, having revealed Himself to them for the third time that He was the risen Lord, He saith to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me more than these?"

"He saith unto Him, yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him, feed My lambs.

"He saith unto him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me? He saith unto Him, yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him, feed My sheep.

"He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me? Peter was grieved because He said unto him the third time, Lovest thou Me? And he said unto Him, Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed My sheep."—John 21:15-17.

This incident is a very touching one, setting forth the kind and tender love of the Christ, the good Shepherd toward one of His unfaithful and backsliding disciples.

Christ found no fault in Peter, as far as his repentance was concerned. There was no fault to be found in him again lining up with the other disciples in the cause of Christ. There was perhaps no fault to be found in his taking up his old avocation as fisherman, for the time being, until the final commission of the Christ to launch out into the work of THE KINGDOM was given to them.

One thing, however, that must be settled and must be settled with Peter forever, was whether that indomitable will of his had been conquered and brought into subjection to the Will of God. It was not his faith that needed reproof, but it was the question as to whether Peter's LOVE for the Christ would stand the test of the Divine Searchlight.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

"And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not love, I am nothing.

"And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not love, it profiteth me nothing."—I. Corinthians 13:1-3.

AN ALL-CONQUERING LOVE KNOWS NO DEFEAT

The reason for Peter's denial and unfaithfulness was not because of any want of faith, but of that abiding, all-consuming, all-conquering Love that knows no fear and no failure.

No temptation can stand in the way of this all-conquering Love; for the Word of God plainly states that Love Divine "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things, Love never faileth." "And now abideth faith, hope, Love, these three; but the greatest of these is Love."

"If ye love Me, keep My commandments.

"He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.

"If a man love Me, he will keep My Words, and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our abode with him.

"Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved Me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for My Father is greater than I."—John 14:15, 21, 23, 28.

"And I have declared unto them Thy Name, and will declare it, that the Love wherewith Thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them."—John 17:26.

"We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death."—I. John 3:14.

"Beloved, let us love one another: for Love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

"Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

"No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His Love is perfected in us."—I. John 4:7, 11, 12.

God is a very jealous God, and His Love can have no rival; no compromise can be made on the part of the disciples of the Christ with the world nor the things that are in the world. We must be all for Christ, or we will be nothing.

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the Love of the Father is not in him.

"For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

"And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the Will of God abideth for ever."—I. John 2:15-17.

The measure of one's Love to the Christ will be the measure of blessing one will be in His service.

The measure of one's Love to Christ will be the measure of helpfulness one will be toward his brethren.

Peter had failed, because his Love had failed.

His Love had failed, because he was concerned more about himself than about the Christ.

The question of Love toward the Christ was soon to be settled by Peter.

GOD'S UNCHANGEABLE LOVE CONTRASTED WITH MAN'S VACILLATING LOVE

It is interesting to note the difference in words, used by the Christ, and by Peter, with reference to the Love that was in question. The word used by Jesus the Christ, "agapao" was a different Love from that used by Peter, which was "phileo." The first is used in Scripture more with reference to a father expressing his love toward his children. The second is used more with reference to a person toward a friend. The one used by the Christ, "agapao," expressed the permanency of God's Love toward His people, and it was this Love that the Christ called in question on the part of Peter, as to whether he possessed it or not.

Another question that must be settled on the part of Peter, before he could be used in launching out into the sea of humanity with the Gospel, was whether he loved Jesus the Christ above any and every human tie; whether he loved the Christ more than any material or selfish, or temporal interests.

Multitudes of professed disciples have failed because of this very thing. They have permitted other interests—fathers, mothers, husbands, wives, children, houses, lands—to enter in between themselves and the Christ and because of this have made their service practically useless.

The response made by Peter, using the term "phileo" instead of "agapao," declared that he did not possess this Divine permanency of Love towards the Christ; but rather a weaker,

more vacillating love, that of a friend, which today might be strong and tomorrow weak.

Again the Christ asked him, "Lovest thou Me," and again Peter responded, "Yea, Lord, Thou knowest that I love Thee." The third time that Jesus asked the question, "Lovest thou Me," He discarded the word "agopao," which He had used in His two previous questions.

These three questions of the Christ brought great grief to Peter, but weak as his Love was in comparison to God's immutable, unchangeable Love, he now relied not upon his own testimony, but upon the all-seeing, all-knowing, all-pervading mind of Christ. For he said: "Lord, *Thou knowest all things*, Thou knowest that I love Thee!

Because a person has failed to do the Will of God is no reason for setting him aside and rejecting him as a disciple of the Christ.

Jesus, in this incident which we have had before us, in dealing with the denial and restoration of Peter, teaches us that it is our duty to restore an erring brother, and by kindness and love seek to win him back again to the fold.

THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE CHRIST TO RESTORE THE ERRING

Christ had given plain teaching regarding this matter of again and again forgiving a trespassing brother; and He had also given directions for the course to pursue to settle any difficulty which might arise between professed followers of His.

"Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone; if he shall hear thee thou hast gained thy brother.

"But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of one or two witnesses every word may be established."—Matthew 18:15, 16.

"It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!

"It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and be cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.

"Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

"And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent: thou shalt forgive him.

"And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

"And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted by the sea; and it should obey you."—Luke 17:1-6.

It is one thing to teach and another thing to practice. The Christ practiced what He taught. The Christ set the example for His followers throughout all ages, how to restore an erring, fallen brother.

Let one and all take notice that there was no lowering of the standard on the part of Christ. There must be no lowering of the standard on the part of the Church, its leader, or the officers thereof.

There is but little hope held out to any one who deliberately sins against the light, who deliberately goes on the devil's territory, whether it is the saloon, the theater, the dance hall, or any other ungodly association. Satan will find enough opportunity for getting at God's people without their going on his territory. He will find enough weakness, carelessness and unfaithfulness which he can use to his advantage for the overthrow of saints; but there is more hope of restoration for one having been overcome unexpectedly of evil than for one who voluntarily exposes himself to temptation. We are admonished when one is overtaken by a fault to restore such an one, considering ourselves, lest we also be tempted.

"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."—Galatians 6:1, 2.

CONQUERING ONE'S BESETTING SIN PREPARES FOR HIGHER SERVICE

In the case of Peter we find that Christ was not only willing to restore him in his personal relation to Himself, but also to

entrust him with the care of the lambs and of the sheep, seen in His response to Peter's first question, "Feed My lambs," and in response to the second and third, "Feed my sheep."

Let one and all take heed that true Love must manifest itself in service. Love never is idle. Love thinks not of self, but of others.

Love to the Christ is proven by the interest we manifest in the salvation of humanity, in teaching the little one's concerning the Good Shepherd, in telling the lost sheep who have wandered far away from God of the loving Savior, Who has come to rescue humanity.

Has there been a lack of victory in your life? The reason is the lack of Love for Christ.

Has there been a lack of usefulness in the Master's vineyard? The reason is the lack of Love for Christ.

Has there been a compromise with those that oppose Christ, whether it be in your own home or in your surroundings? The reason is the lack of Love for Christ.

Has there been a lack of selfdenial, or of selfsacrifice for God's cause and KINGDOM? The reason is the lack of Love for Christ.

Let the all-searching eye of Jesus the Christ know and penetrate your inmost being, and you that have been unfaithful either in much or in little, answer the question before the Living, Risen Christ:

"Lovest thou Me more than these?"

You may not have denied the Christ under the same circumstances as did Peter of old, and yet you may be guilty of the same boastful, self conceited and selfish spirit that he had.

THE TEST OF LOVE FOR THE CHRIST THE PROOF OF FAITHFULNESS

Repent of your sins! Confess them fully to God and to those whom you have wronged. Surrender your heart and life in a complete consecration to Christ and His cause, and you may be assured that He who forgave Peter will also forgive you, and He who restored Peter will also restore you, and He who commissioned Peter to feed the lambs and to feed the sheep will also commission you to work for Him and devote your time and talents, your life and your possessions for the interest of His cause and KINGDOM.

There is but one test to prove your faithfulness in THE KINGDOM of God, and that is the test of Love for Christ.

Let each and every one settle this test of Love once for all as did Peter in saying,

"Lord, Thou knowest all things, Thou knowest that I love Thee."

If you have settled this question of Love for the Christ, you will not follow Him afar off; but you will walk in His steps. Your conversation will be in Heaven.

Your life will be hid with Christ in God.

Having settled this question of Love for the Christ you are assured of victory!

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(Signed:) MRS. MARTHA RHOADES.

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Here is \$5 for the Zion Schools.

When you began talking about Zion Schools, I began praying that I might have \$10; and I thank God that I have \$5 now.

I have no children, but I love the children and I want to do my part in all of Zion's work. I do not think Zion is complete without her schools. I would think everybody who has children would rejoice that they could send their children to Zion Schools.

May God bless you, Overseer, in all your work for God! Praying that I may have \$5 more.

Dear General Overseer: July 30, 1916.
Please find enclosed \$5 for Zion Schools.

Dear General Overseer: July 31, 1916.

My little boy had two dollars saved up to buy himself a coaster-wagon at Zion Stores. When the Sacrificial Offering was taken he wanted to put one dollar in the barrel, which he did. He heard you talking about Zion Schools, and expressed a wish to send his other dollar for that, which I enclose to you.

I am Yours truly,

Dear General Overseer: July 31, 1916.

The main purpose for which my parents came to Zion City was the benefit to their children, where they would learn more of the Word of God and associate with those who were Christians.

Now that I am married and have children of my own, I do indeed thank God for the privilege of living in Zion City, especially since God has led you to establish Zion Schools, where the children will be taught the Word of God and the organization of Zion.

I am enclosing a check for \$7.50, to be used for the establishment of Zion Schools.

Praying that God will give you wisdom and strength for your many arduous duties, I am Faithfully yours in His service,

General Overseer: August 2, 1916.

Please accept this check (\$25) for Zion Schools. I am glad and thank God for Zion Schools.

May God bless you continually in all your work for Him, is my earnest prayer.

An officer in ZION said to me, "You can call on me for \$100 for ZION Schools."

We are very grateful to these brothers and sisters for their interest in ZION Schools. We sincerely thank them in the Name of the Lord for the money given, and earnestly pray that He may richly bless them in taking a part in this work which means so much to a multitude of children, youths and maidens, in ZION, and so much to ZION in the future.

We have selected thirteen teachers, expect to have the entire staff completed sometime next week.

Your prayerful attention and consideration should be given to the following paragraphs, which formed a part of our article in last week's LEAVES OF HEALING:

We believe, and so do our advisors, that the proper

plan is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools, this assessment to be made on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each, and every one.

There may be within our membership a man and his wife who have no children, and who are amply able to support these schools to the extent of twenty-five dollars or more per year. There may be a man and his wife, with nine children, who are unable to pay more than two, three, or five dollars a year. There may be single individuals with no one to care for but themselves, with property and with a good income, who can contribute substantially for the support of these schools.

In this way, all would do their part, and all of ZION's children, youths, and maidens would have splendid opportunities for getting an education.

We expect this fund to be sufficient to provide help for parents who find themselves unable to pay for all of the text-books for a number of children.

We are God's servant, and a servant of ZION people, and we will stand by them day and night, come what will, and do all that is within our power to see that all are treated fairly, justly, and righteously.

We expect, in return, the Christian love and hearty co-operation of one and all.

The assessment made for the school year can be paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly, in advance, or semi-annually, in advance.

Any one who professes to be ZION who is not filled with unbounded enthusiasm for ZION Schools, is either in ignorance, or the heart is not right with God.

The training of these children, youths, and maidens (now almost one thousand) is, from many standpoints, the greatest work that the General Overseer has to do.

The building of ZION CITY calls for investments, not for gifts; the ecclesiastical department, including ZION Schools, will accept gifts.

We expect that ZION Schools will, within a few years, have a substantial endowment.

Scores of thousands of dollars invested in the commercial department of ZION have been given to the ecclesiastical department, and there is no doubt but that many people who have made investments will want them to go to ZION Schools. Such investments, when turned over to ZION Schools, will remain as investments in the commercial department, and the interest only used for the support of the schools.

Here is one of the grandest opportunities that God has ever given to men and women.

ZION College Building—a very beautiful and substantial building, costing, approximately, \$150,000—can be redeemed any day, as one of the assets of the ZION Estate, for the small sum of \$27,500. Here is a wonderful opportunity for some man or woman in ZION, to whom God has given means, to come forward and redeem this building, and take it out of the ZION Estate and make it exclusively and absolutely the possession of ZION Educational Institutions.

The establishment of ZION Educational Institutions gives one more opportunity for faith and service, and all ZION people ought to rejoice.

The command to all ZION is, "GO FORWARD!" With Christian love, and praying God to guide, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully God's servant and yours,

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

He sendeth His word and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

I am the Lord that healeth thee. And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant AT ONCE!

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into ZION, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into ZION and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into ZION, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!

You say, "I believe in and want a ZION CITY." Then prove your statement by substantial help in making the next payment on September 1, 1916.

ZION CITY—the only City of its kind in the world, and in deed and in truth a refuge for people who are sick and tired of conditions in the world—must be firmly established!

It takes ZION men and women, and money, to do it! Will you help?—or will you say, "Let somebody else do it"?

May God lay it heavily upon every ZION heart that another payment must be made on the ZION Estate, September 1, 1916!

It is neither here nor there whether the General Overseer and the General Manager and a few others can, in some way, take care of this payment.

There awaits a great blessing for every officer and member in ZION who comes forward immediately and renders substantial help.

How much money have ZION people, in the aggregate, in outside banks? How much have ZION people due to them in the way of notes, bonds, and other forms of investments, which are now in the world?

In the building of ZION CITY you are neither asked, nor permitted, to make any gifts—all gifts must go to the Church or to ZION Schools, or, in short, into the Ecclesiastical Department.

You are asked to help pay for this Estate by BUYING the ASSETS.

ZION people who have hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of outside properties to sell, can easily and quickly raise a large sum of money by mortgaging these properties, at the same time continuing to work and pray for their sale.

Occasionally one says, when this suggestion is made, "Not much! You do not catch me putting any mortgage on my farm or property to help build any ZION CITY."

Christ gave up and left Heaven, sweat as it were drops of blood, and died upon the cross for you. How much are you willing to do for Him?

God has wrought wonders, and ZION CITY will be built and His People prepared for the coming of Jesus the Christ. As to whether YOU will have any part in it or not, is for you to say.

When God calls He expects an IMMEDIATE ANSWER, and He is not going to give you years to do what you ought to do TOMORROW!

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THE CROSS AND THE CROWN

Report of an Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, February 28, 1915, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

As the ZION WHITE-ROBED CHOIR entered the Tabernacle, they were singing in PROCESSIONAL: "THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION."

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ our Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the word;
From Heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace, that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

INVOCATION by APOSTLE E. L. CAREY:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth
Thy Saving Health among all the nations.
For the Sake of Jesus; Amen.

The Choir and congregation then joined in singing hymn No. 491—"THE WONDROUS CROSS."

When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

CHORUS.—

O wondrous cross where Jesus died,
And for my sins was crucified;
My longing eyes look up to Thee,
Thou blessed Lamb of Calvary.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my Lord;
All earthly things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were all the realm of nature mine,
That were a gift by far too small;
A love so great and so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

APOSTLE DARMS: I will read in the Inspired Word of God, in the Second Epistle of Timothy, the fourth chapter, down to the close of the 8th verse:

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His Kingdom;

Preach the Word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears:

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

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.

May God bless His Word!

The SENIOR CHOIR rendered the Anthem, entitled, "I AM ALPHA AND OMEGA."

APOSTLE CAREY: Before we go to God in prayer, let us sing hymn No. 320, after which Apostle Darms will lead us in the general supplication.

"Nearer the cross!" my heart can say,
I am coming nearer;
Nearer the cross from day to day,
I am coming nearer;
Nearer the cross where Jesus died,
Nearer the fountain's crimson tide,
Nearer my Savior's wounded side,
I am coming nearer.

Nearer the Christian's mercy seat,
I am coming nearer;
Feasting my soul on manna sweet,
I am coming nearer;
Stronger in faith, more clear I see
Jesus Who gave Himself for me;
Nearer to Him I still would be;
Still I'm coming nearer.

Nearer in prayer my hope aspires,
I am coming nearer;
Deeper the love my soul desires,
I am coming nearer;
Nearer the end of toil and care,
Nearer the joy I long to share,
Nearer the crown I soon shall wear,
I am coming nearer.

PRAYER

APOSTLE DARMS: Almighty God our Kind and Loving Father, we have assembled in Thy house to worship Thee. Help each and every one to realize the sacredness, the seriousness, the great importance of this privilege that Thou hast given unto us.

Thou hast spared us through another week, and permitted us to finish our toils; so that we might begin this week, realizing that Thou hast given us the Lord's Day, as the first day, on which to equip ourselves for the duties of life.

We realize, that without Thee we can do nothing; but with Thee we shall be able to cope with the problems of life; we shall be able to meet every foe and overcome every enemy; we shall be able to fulfill the destiny for which Thou hast prepared us—when we seek Thy aid and the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the blessing of God through prayer.

We thank Thee for the Lord's Day, the Day on which our Christ

and Lord has risen from the grave and brought life and immortality to light. It is indeed a glorious day that Thou hast given to us—a Day, on which our heart is made glad for the blessings that have come through the victorious resurrection of Jesus the Christ, Who has triumphed over sin, over death, over hell, and over the grave.

O glorious resurrection!

O blessed Day!

Father, we thank Thee for the blessings of this Day. We pray, that Thou wilt help us, as we are assembled here, to hearken to Thy precious Word that shall be proclaimed unto us. May each and every one have receptive minds and hearts. May our spirits be made ready to receive the Word, and may not any Word fall to the ground; but may we treasure it in our hearts, realizing that Thy Word is become unto us as a lamp unto our feet and a light upon our pathway; realizing that the entrance of Thy Word giveth light, and that without Thy Word we are in darkness. O God, without Thy Word we are ignorant of the revelation of God the Father, we are ignorant of the love of Jesus the Christ and the blessed ministry of the Holy Spirit. But with an open Bible and an open heart, with access to Thee, O Father, in prayer, we shall be able to live the life that Thou hast called us to live.

Father, we thank Thee for this life Thou hast called us to live, for the high calling Thou hast placed before us in Christ Jesus. Though we are now the sons of God, it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is. Oh, may this be the desire of every one of us in Thy presence this afternoon—to be more like Jesus; more like Him in obedience, in self-denial, in self-sacrifice, in faithful service; more like unto Jesus to live for God the Father, and to pour out our lives for humanity; more like Jesus to be willing to bear the cross and to lay down our lives for the cause of Thy Kingdom.

Father in Heaven, we realize this afternoon how far we are from attaining to that place of perfection unto which the Christ has called us.

We pray, Father, that Thou wilt make each and every one of us to realize our shortcomings this afternoon, and may this be a time of deep repentance on the part of every one who has broken Thy commandments. Father in Heaven, bring deep conviction to every sinner in this house, and grant that the cry shall go forth from many hearts as the Word is proclaimed, "What must I do to be saved?" May each and every one realize that Christ has come to save, and has come to save to the uttermost.

O God, may we all be brought to the place where we shall not be satisfied with anything less than the fullest blessing, the most perfect life, the greatest faithfulness on our part that it is possible for us to exercise.

Father in Heaven, we realize that in Zion Thou hast given us a calling such as has come to no other people in this Age. We realize, O Father, that Thou art gathering out a people to be a peculiar people unto Thee; that Thou art gathering out a people that are to be a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that we are to show forth the praises of Him Who has brought us out of darkness into marvelous light.

May we realize, Father, the blessings that are ours in Zion and in Zion City—the privilege of living in a City that has been established by Jehovah Himself; the privilege of living in a City and in a Movement that has been established, founded by Jehovah, to prepare the way for the coming of the King.

Father in Heaven, may each and every heart here be a highway on which the King can pass out to humanity, on which we shall bear the blessings of Salvation, of Healing, and of Holy Living to the children of men who are still in darkness. Father, may we be indeed and in truth fishers of men, and may we realize that it is our privilege to give out this Gospel to the nations of the earth; for the Christ has said that the Gospel of the Kingdom must be proclaimed to all the nations, and then shall the end come.

Father, we pray for the nations of the earth that are steeped in sin, that are far away from God, that are in rebellion against Thee. We pray, O God, to call out Thy chosen people and to grant that through LEAVES OF HEALING and the messages of Zion Thy people shall be called out of Babylon, shall be brought out of the apostasy, into Zion.

We pray, Father, that to this end Thou wilt bless the ministry of Thy servant whom Thou hast called to be the leader of Zion. O God, equip him mightily with the power of the Holy Ghost and grant that more and more he shall be able to lead on this people and to proclaim Thy truths and Thy covenants.

O God, this afternoon give him Thy word and message as he speaks to us of the cross of the Christ, and of the crown that is prepared for those who will take His cross upon them. Father, grant that we shall be able to receive the message that shall be given to us this afternoon, and that by this message this people shall be led on to greater heights—to the glorious heights that are in Zion for the people who will get nearer and closer to Thee. May we realize how near heaven is unto us, and may we be ready for His coming, be it morning, noon or night.

We pray, our Father in Heaven, for our country, for our land and our nation. We pray, O God, that Thou wilt bless the executive of this nation, the President, upon whom such great responsibilities devolves at this time. O God, wilt Thou impart Thy divine wisdom and might and power from on High, in the direction of national affairs, through the President and those in authority. May they exalt righteousness; may they exalt the Word of God; may they not be afraid to confess their faith in God and in our Lord Jesus Christ. May Zion, above all other people, be a light to nations of the earth and salt to the earth.

Father in Heaven, bless every one who is sick and afflicted in our midst or in Zion, who is looking to Thee for help and healing. Wilt Thou stretch forth Thy hand and heal them. We thank Thee for the many miracles and signs and wonders that have been wrought in answer to prayer. We pray, O God, that Thou wilt continue to manifest Thyself in signs and wonders through the preaching of Thy Word and to work miracles in the sight of all nations.

We pray Thee to bless the LEAVES OF HEALING, as they give out the Gospel of the Kingdom to the people in various cities; and we pray Thee to bless the workers in the various cities and counties where they are going from door to door.

Father in Heaven, grant that Zion shall be able to reach multitudes in this day and generation, and that Thy chosen people shall be brought into the ark of safety that Thou hast prepared for Thy people.

Now hear us, Father, and bless us, and when this Lord's Day has been brought to a close, and the evening has come, and the night is at hand, help us, Father, to realize what a blessed privilege it has been for us to be in the house of the Lord, in the very gate of Heaven; to realize that as Jacob was at Bethel and saw the vision of the ladder with the angels ascending and descending, so we also have been in the place where God has revealed Himself to us and has spoken the word and has blessed us richly and abundantly.

These favors we ask in the Name and for the sake of Jesus, Who has taught us to pray, saying: (The Choir and congregation then joined in chanting the Lord's Prayer.)

While the Tithes and Free-Will Offerings were being received, Dr. Wilson rendered an Offertory on the Pipe Organ, after which the Senior Choir rendered the anthem, entitled, "AWAKE, AWAKE!" by Borton.

Apostle Carey made the Announcements for the week, which were followed by a duet, entitled, "IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST," by Conductor and Mrs. John D. Thomas.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all bow their heads in prayer:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, and in the Name of Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit be sanctified unto the quickening of every saint, unto the conviction of every sinner, to the extension of Thy Kingdom, to the honor and the glory of Thy Name. O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer; Amen.

Let all give prayerful attention to two selections of Scripture. First I will read in the Gospel according to St. Luke, in the 9th chapter, beginning with the 18th verse and closing with the 26th:

"And it came to pass, as He was alone praying,"—that is, as Jesus was alone praying, something came to pass.

"And it came to pass, as He was alone praying, His disciples were with Him; and He asked them (Jesus asked the apostles), saying, Who say the people that I am?—Who say THE PEOPLE that I am?"

If you want something very interesting, read the New Testament through, and make a note of everything the people said. Among other things they said that Jesus the Christ was a wine-bibber and a glutton; and they said He had a devil; and they said that by the prince of the devils He cast out demons.

The Inquiry of Jesus Regarding His Ministry

It is very interesting that Jesus should ask this question: "Who say the people that I am?"—"What is the general opinion now that My ministry is about to come to a close?"

"They answering said, John the Baptist;"—that was what Herod thought. When he heard of the preaching of Jesus, and the great stir He was making, he said, "John the Baptist has risen from the dead;" because he had cut off the head of John the Baptist. Now, that must have been a terrifying thought. That is Who he thought Jesus was: that He was John the Baptist risen from the dead.

Then they went on to tell Him, "But some say, Elias; and others say, that one of the old prophets is risen again." That was a very interesting answer.

Now, He asks another question: "He said unto them, But Who say YE that I am?" And there is one ready with an answer—that is Peter: "Peter answering said, THE CHRIST OF GOD."

That same question is being asked of every one in this congregation this afternoon—"Who say ye that I am?" in reference to Jesus of Nazareth; and it is a question that every member of the human family must answer.

And He straitly charged them, and commanded them to tell no man that thing;

Saying, The Son of man must SUFFER MANY THINGS (may God burn this truth into your hearts!), and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.

The 23rd verse:

"And He said to them all,"—now listen!—"And He said to them all, if any man will come after me, let him deny himself,—LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, and take up his cross *daily*, and follow Me."

Now, Jesus said that if any man would be His disciple, "Let him *deny himself*, and *take up his cross DAILY*, and *follow Me*"—not "*go before Me*."

There is not on record—because He never said it to any man, to any multitude—"Take up the cross, and *GO*;" but every time it is "Take up the cross, and *FOLLOW Me*."

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life *FOR MY SAKE*, the same shall save it.

For what is a man profited, if he gain *THE WHOLE WORLD* (every dollar, every acre of ground, every shining crown, all the praise and plaudits of men, and everything in all the world), and *LOSE HIS OWN SOUL*?

In Mark the 8th chapter, and the 37th verse, we have: "Or what shall a man give in exchange for his own soul?"

For whosoever shall be ashamed of Me and of My words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when He shall come in His own glory, and in His Father's, and of the holy angels. Luke 8:26.

Hebrews the 2nd chapter, and the 9th verse:

But we see Jesus, Who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

The Minister of the Gospel Called to be an Ambassador of Jesus the Christ

I have many things to say, but if you will only get these wonderful sayings of God, and others that I shall read later on, even if you do not get what I say, I shall not worry.

In this address this afternoon, in the introduction, it will be necessary for me to give some history, which may not be very entertaining. I may, and I may not, use a few Latin words, some Greek, and a few Hebrew, if I believe that by so doing when this address is printed it will serve to throw light upon the subject on which I am going to address you—"The Cross and The Crown."

As I sat here through the introductory part of this service, —though I do not like that word, but I do not know a better one to use—I wondered what your conception is of the man who now stands before you to deliver an address, on a subject over which I have spent hours, day and night, for the past two weeks, in addition to all the study that I have given to it since I was a child.

Jesus said: "He that receiveth you receiveth Me; and he that receiveth Me receiveth Him that sent Me." And again: "He that despiseth you despiseth Me; and he that despiseth Me despiseth Him Who sent Me."

Is your conception of a man who stands before you on the Lord's Day, or any other day, that of a man upon whom, at some time, God the Almighty laid His hands and, through the Holy Ghost, called to be an ambassador, a messenger of God? Is your conception simply that of an intellectual machine standing before you turning out thought expressed in words? Is it your conception that he is just the same as any other person, and that the message he delivers is *his* message, and that you can receive it or reject it, just as you like, and that it makes no difference?

If that is *your* conception, it is not mine.

As I stand here this afternoon I know no man. I am utterly and absolutely oblivious to my surroundings, and the thought of what you might think of me or say about me cannot enter my mind; and it does not matter the snap of my finger.

It is quite the custom for anybody and everybody, from the girl who does the cooking in the kitchen to the bootblack on the corner, to tell you what they think about the ambassador of God; to set themselves up to criticise his message, and to say what they think about the subject he discusses, and what they propose to do.

My conception of the ministry, is that God the Almighty—Maker of Heaven and earth, Creator of man, the Judge of all men, when He has a work to do, calls a man, equips him by the power of the Holy Spirit, and entrusts him with a living, BURNING MESSAGE; which the people (as free moral agents) can accept or reject; but when they reject it they do it at their own peril and in the day of judgment they will have to answer for

the rejection of the message of God and the messenger of God. I have read to you two selections of Scripture.

The Ministry and the People for the Most part Ignorant of the Gospel

I may not have time to present to you this afternoon the teaching of the Word of God on sin, on the "new birth," conversion, justification, sanctification, and the judgment to come; but I want to drive home to your hearts (and I pray that God, by the Holy Spirit, may burn it into your hearts) that there is just ONE WAY of salvation, and there is no other. It is not by being put under the water, it is not by complying with any church ceremony, but is by JESUS THE CHRIST—the *Way*, the Truth and the Life.

As I stand before you this afternoon, there is no use in covering up the real condition of things. I would to God it were otherwise.

When I deliver my message, as I have already said, I know no man; I am accountable to no man; I am responsible *before God*.

I want to tell you, first of all, that nine hundred and ninety-nine church members out of every thousand, in this country and in other English speaking lands, have not enough of the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ to save *one man*. The fact of the matter is that ninety-nine out of every hundred ministers are unconverted and unsaved, and the people know little or nothing about the Word of God.

Why, take the average preacher, the average church member, and say to them, "Look yonder! Do you see the Christ? Listen! do you hear His voice, saying, "If any man would be my disciple, let him deny himself, let him take his cross and bear it daily, and follow Me—into the garden of Gethsemane, up on Calvary?"—and it is all Greek to them; they know nothing about it. And, before I am through, may God burn the question into your hearts, "What do you know about it?"

Let us study now for a little time the history of the word "cross."

The Word Cross the most Loathsome, Shameful and Terrible ever Uttered

The word "cross" is derived from the Latin word "*crux*." When it is translated into the Greek, the word "*stauros*" is used; and sometimes there is another Greek word, "*skolops*," which means a stake; and the question is in dispute as to which one of these two words was the first one used in translating the Latin word.

The word "*stauros*" was used because it refers to something that stands erect or something with arms which are horizontal. Keep this in mind, because I will read to you after a while the verse where the Savior first used the word "cross," as recorded in the Bible.

I desire you to know the history of the word "cross," and I want you to see that it was once the most loathsome, the most shameful, the most terrible word that ever sounded within the hearing of man. Then I want you to see how the Meek and Lowly Jesus shed around it a halo of glory, and made it one of the sweetest and the most precious words that can be uttered from behind the sacred desk today.

Please note the simple form of the cross, made up of two pieces of wood—one standing erect, and the other one placed across it at right angles, but not leaving any portion of the straight up and down piece over and above the transverse piece.

Just the time when the cross was first known, no one knows. Before there ever was such a thing as a cross made by the hands of man, criminals were executed upon trees; and it is thought that the shape of the trees gave rise to the erection of the first cross.

There is no doubt as to numerous executions having taken place on trees. One of the most noted cases on record, where an individual was put to death upon a tree, and a tree with limbs resembling a cross, was that of Prometheus; and another one was Andromeda. From the resemblance of these trees to a cross, men came to make crosses.

Explanation of Different Kinds of Crosses Used

Now, there are many different kinds of crosses; the first one, as I have told you, being an upright post, with one across it, leaving no portion above the piece that was placed across.

Writers treat, first of all, of what is called the Simple Cross,

when there were two kinds of punishment in vogue. First, where they nailed the criminal to the cross, and either immediately put him to death or allowed him to hang there until he died from sheer exhaustion. The second form was a cross used as a gibbet, on which the criminal was placed to be impaled.

Then next came what is known as the Compound Cross. Of the compound crosses there are three kinds. Their latin names are *crux decussata*, *crux commissa*, and *crux immissa*. The first one is also known as St. Andrew's cross; because, according to tradition, St. Andrew was put to death upon this first cross that I have mentioned—the first kind under the division Compound Crosses. This cross, according to the best authorities, is in the form of an X; and it is well to remember, so that when the fact is mentioned that a certain cross is known as St. Andrew's cross, everybody in ZION will know what it means.

The second kind of a compound cross was formed by putting a cross piece of wood on a perpendicular one, exactly in the same way as the one I have already described.

The third kind is the one you know best—that is, a perpendicular post, with a piece of wood put across it about two or three feet from the top; and, so far as we know, this was the kind of a cross on which Jesus Christ was crucified.

History is no doubt correct in stating that the cross was used as an emblem by many different nations. The following statement is made: that in the Temple of Serapis, in Egypt, there was a cross which the people looked upon as the emblem of the future life.

It is further claimed that the symbol of the cross, at different times, was used with the following significations: as an emblem of Phallus, the Planet Venus, nilometer: sometimes as an emblem of the four principal elements, other times of the four seasons. Hence it is that, a long time ago, writers referred to the cross with some degree of respect.

Notwithstanding this fact, as I have already said (because of its use by the Egyptians, by the Romans, by the Greeks, and in time by the Jews, for crucifixions), it had become, in the time of Christ, a loathsome word.

It is further pointed out by some writers, that not only are trees often in the form of a cross, but that when a man stands in the attitude of prayer, with the arms outstretched, even he forms a cross; also that in a sailing vessel, when the sails are set for the breeze, there you have a cross formed.

So much then, for the history of the cross—the word Jesus used in the Scriptures that I read. You have read these passages of Scripture many times, you have heard them read, and you have heard sermons based upon them. But in all my travels, in all the prayer meetings I ever conducted, I have found that the rank and file of the people have this conception of bearing the cross for Christ: that it means to stand up in a meeting and say a few words, when the fact of the matter was, that the only cross about it was the cross it was to the people who had to sit there and listen to it. I have heard some people say, I want to read a passage of Scripture, and by so doing take up my cross and follow Jesus.

The Figurative Meaning of the Cross Set forth from the Scriptures

Now then, if you have followed the historical setting of the word Cross, I desire to call your attention to the figurative meaning. The Savior, you will recall, used the vine; He used the story of the woman putting leaven into the meal; He used the mustard seed; He used the casting of the dragnet into the sea, and various other simple illustrations.

When the Savior first used the word "cross," those to whom He used it knew nothing about the time coming when He would be nailed to the cross and crucified. When He said, in Matthew ten, thirty-eight and thirty-nine, "He that taketh not his cross and followeth after Me, is not worthy of Me," they did not know anything about the forthcoming crucifixion of Christ.

Why, as you will see later on, after He had told them that He was to be apprehended and crucified, did not Peter say to Him, "Be it far from Thee, Lord: this shall not be unto Thee?" And then it was that the Savior said to Peter—the man who just a little while before had made the great confession, and unto whom Christ had given the keys of THE KINGDOM—"Get thee behind Me, Satan: thou art an offence unto Me, for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men."

Why, Peter did not understand that such things could be possible. And I wonder how much you and I know about the cross. I wonder what we think when we read the Bible, where

Paul says, with weeping, the shedding of tears, speaking of the "cross of Christ." I wonder what we think when we read where Paul says, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." I wonder what we think when we read where Paul said that he did not go to them with the words of wisdom; that he did not go to them with a fine essay that he learned to write at a university; he did not go to them with a scientific treatise, with magnificent oratory—oh, no! he went to them not with the words of wisdom, but PREACHING THE CROSS; which is to them that perish, foolishness; but unto them who are saved, it is the power of God.

The cross, the cross, the CROSS OF CHRIST! What does it mean? What part has it in your life? In my life?

Now the Savior used the word "cross" in a figurative sense. Let us see what the meaning of the word is metaphorically, or figuratively.

First, it means troubles and persecutions, chiefly those endured for Christ. They are painful, lingering, and attended with shame in the eyes of carnal men: and to take up this cross is cheerfully to submit to it through love for the Christ.

The Word "Cross" Sets forth the Sufferings of and for the Christ

Now, if I had the time, there is a very beautiful phase of meaning here. There is the one verb used which means to take up the cross. There is another verb used that refers to taking a stick off the ground,—a man stoops down and picks up a stick off of the ground. That word could not be used when the Savior spoke of taking up the cross: He used another word. And in another place, where He used the Greek word translated "to bear," it means taking something that is offered; it means taking it knowingly, willfully, gladly, with joy,—taking up your cross and following Jesus Christ.

Let us go on with the figurative meaning here. The whole sufferings of Christ are called His cross; as on it He suffered in the most excruciating manner, in both soul and body.

And that He might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby. (Ephesians 2:16)

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; Who for the joy that was set before Him endured THE CROSS, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:2).

The doctrine of His suffering is called His cross. I have already quoted this passage, but I will read it.

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish, foolishness; but unto us who are saved, it is the POWER OF GOD. (1. Corinthians 1:18)

And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased. (Galatians 5:11)

As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. (Galatians 6:12)

Paul said, in Philippians 3:18—"For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ."

Who are the enemies of the cross of Christ? The world is full of them; the churches are full of them.

When men say, "Keep Saturday, if you want salvation;" or, "Be baptised by immersion, if you want salvation;" or, "Bow down before images, if you want salvation;" they are the enemies of the cross of Christ, and they are setting aside the only means of salvation.

The enemies of the cross are those who undermine the necessity of virtue of His righteousness, by their legal doctrine, worldly character, and licentious lives.

History of the Act of Crucifixion

Crucifixion!

Before you can understand the crucifixion of Christ, it becomes necessary for me to give you a little history, which will help you to understand it.

In the Greek language, the word for crucifixion is "an-as-tou-roon;" in Latin, "cruci affigere, in crucem agere or tollere;" in later times, "cruci figere," whence our *crucifixion*; in Hebrew, "taw-law." (See Bible Encyclopedia, Volume 1, page 475.)

This word, "taw-law," was used by the Jews, because, to them, crucifixion was a kind of hanging; and in the Ptolemaical writings of the Jews, Jesus is referred to as a "Hanging One," and His followers are called Worshipers of the Crucified.

Please note that crucifixion was a most cruel and disgraceful punishment, reserved chiefly for slaves—hence the word meaning *cross bearer*, was a term of reproach for slaves. The punishment is termed in Latin, in two words, meaning *a slaves' punishment*.

Crucifixion was reserved for robbery, piracy, assassination, perjury, sedition, treason; and in the case of soldiers, for desertion.

The origin of crucifixion is ancient. The first case we have on record, that seems to be authentic, is told of by Thucydides—the crucifixion of Anares, an African king. Polycrates suffered crucifixion under the Persians.

Herodotus says that no less than three hundred, were crucified by the order of Darius, after his successful siege of Babylon. The Greeks adopted this form of punishment, as is evident from the cruel executions which Alexander ordered after the capture of Tyre, when he put two thousand to death, by crucifixion, along the seashore.

So far as the Romans were concerned, it was used when they had the monarchical form of government; and was the death to which Horatius was adjudged, for the murder of his own sister.

Scourging Generally Preceded the act of Crucifixion

When a person was condemned to be crucified, he was immediately ordered scourged. They used what we would call a whip, composed of a number of leather thongs, filled with lead balls or sharp spikes. The condemned was stripped naked, tied to a post, and oftentimes the muscles of the back and face were broken, the entrails were laid bare, and sometimes the poor creature, when unbound, fell down as a bloody mass at the foot of the post where he was bound.

One writer says, "Not only the muscles of the back, but the breast, the face, the eyes, were torn; the very entrails were laid bare; the anatomy was exposed, and the sufferer convulsed, was often thrown down, a bloody heap, at the feet of the judge."

Now, I desire you to carry these points in history along with you, so that when we come to read about the sufferings of Christ, you will be able to understand something of what He went through; and you will see that to be a follower of Jesus the Christ, is not to sit around in a rocking-chair, or to lie upon a downy couch, or to spend your time on flowery beds of ease.

If you would be a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, DENY YOURSELF, and TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW HIM.

If any man would be My disciple, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.

A few more facts in regard to crucifixion: There was a time when this mode of punishment was not limited to any rank or condition. Later, as I have already pointed out, it was limited to certain crimes; and, among the Jews, it seems to have been adopted at a later period, and was not the mode of punishment in earlier times. Among the Romans, it was abolished by the Emperor Constantine, who came to have such a reverence for the Cross of Christ that he issued a decree forbidding any criminals to be put to death by means of crucifixion.

After the criminal was scourged, which took place many times right near the Judgment Hall—and, while I am not giving you any legends this afternoon, nor anything but what I consider authentic history (because I omitted a very interesting piece of literature regarding the crucifixion of Christ)—it is claimed by some writers that Jesus the Christ was scourged in a subterranean cavern underneath the Judgment Hall; immediately judgment had been passed upon Him and it was finally decided that He was to be crucified.

Crucifixion the Most Cruel Death Ever Invented by Demon-Inspired Men

After the criminal was scourged, there was hung around his neck a white plate, or, sometimes a man was put in front of him carrying this plate, on which was inscribed the crime for which he was condemned; and then he was compelled to take up the cross and carry it himself.

Arriving at the place of execution, which was generally outside of the city (you will notice Christ was crucified outside the city), they laid the cross down, and they laid the criminal upon it.

Now, sometimes, according to some authors, they bound the legs with a cord and they bound the hands with a cord. There was appended from the cross a seat, or sometimes a peg, on which they were permitted to rest the body. On other occasions the

feet were pressed together, the knees bent out, and a spike nail was driven through both feet. Sometimes the hands were put on the right and left sides of the cross and spiked fast.

In the execution of criminals, the custom was followed of giving them an opiate to stupify the senses.

Death from crucifixion, sometimes did not occur for forty-eight hours; and some writers claim that a strong, vigorous constitution was never known to succumb to crucifixion under thirty-six hours. They are allowed no food and no water; although writers claim that there never was a case where they died from starvation. They die from blood-poisoning—from the effects of gangrene, which sets in as a result of the wounds made by the nails.

Crucifixion is described as the most cruel death that ever has been invented by the devil through the agency of man.

Now, then, I have given you some history of the cross; I have told you a little of how it was used as an emblem. I have given you the history of crucifixion; I have told you the kind of a death it is, and how criminals for robbery, for piracy, for treason, soldiers for desertion, slaves—no free-born person, in the course of time, according to the law, could be put to death by crucifixion.

Let us look at the figurative meaning of crucifixion.

Inconsistent Professors of the Christian Religion Crucify the Christ Afresh

We are told that Christ can be crucified afresh. What does it mean?

Listen to the Word of God!

You know, Jesus said, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for THE KINGDOM OF GOD." If a man puts his hand to the plough, and then looks back, he is not fit for THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Oh, what a terrible position for a man to find himself in!—once a Christian, having put his hand to the plough, and then turning back to the world, the flesh and the devil.

In Hebrews the 8th chapter we read: "For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened... if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put Him to an open shame."

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death. (Revelation 21:8)

I am here to tell you this afternoon what I know to be a fact, and what you know to be a fact: There are tens of thousands, there are HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS, that are reported to the church statistician at Washington D. C.—hundreds of thousands reported as church members, who are whoremongers, liars, murderers, thieves, scoundrels of the rankest type. When the church statistician writes to me, I say to him, "I give no church statistics!"

I do not propose to say I can count those who are children of God; because, I will tell you, statistics are the biggest liars out of hell.

When men report, "We have three million members,"—why, yes! the Roman Catholics count all the saloon-keepers in the State of Illinois, unless the Episcopal Church counts them; they count all the harlots in Chicago. Why, the keeper of nearly every dive in Chicago is a Roman Catholic, don't you know that?

In Australia, I never met a man who was not a church member; nor a woman either. All the saloon-keepers are Church of England people and Roman Catholics. Every harlot in every dive in Sydney, Adelaide, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Auckland, Wellington,—they are all church members, and they are all counted. What does it amount to? It does not amount to a row of pins!

What do I care for numbers! Give me fifty people who have their wings ready for the flight to glory; give me fifty people who have taken up their cross and are following Jesus—and soon they will be in the Garden of Gethsemane, then on to Calvary; and soon they will triumph over death, the grave, and hell!

The Church Organization Filled with People on the Way to Hell

I would rather have fifty, of that kind, than all your Methodists, and your Baptists, and your whole Mah-Hah-Bone crowd—who betray the Son of God in Masonic Lodges for less than thirty pieces of silver.

I tell you, I would rather take the devil's chance of Heaven, than the chance of nine-tenths of the preachers. And I know that what I say is true; because, if the rank and file of preachers do not go to hell, I confess I do not know anything about Jesus, and I do not know anything about His Word.

Why, the miserable hirelings, the infernal hypocrites, they stand up before their audiences, and they have choirs full of dancers, card-players, theater-goers, chewing-gum suckers; and the men in the pews stink like skunks from hell! They are full of tobacco, and full of whisky, and full of pig, and full of oysters, and full of HELL; and the women, many of them, have murdered anywhere from four to six unborn babes—their hands are dripping with the blood of the murdered infants. And the poor, indifferent, shiftless, careless, hireling parson is too infernal lazy and too big a coward to open his mouth and condemn sin, and tell them: "The whole bunch of you are on the road to HELL! And if you do not repent you will soon land there."

What a condition! No wonder Bishop Anderson stood up the other day—and his sermon was printed in every newspaper from coast to coast — and said: "The church is an ABSOLUTE FAILURE; and I, for one, am willing publicly to confess it."

Well, ZION told them that twenty years ago.

It is a significant thing that "Billy" Sunday can go into Philadelphia, have great crowds, be a hail-fellow-well-met, and have fifty thousand so-called converts. I will give him a thousand dollars to let me have his converts for two hours. I will guarantee he has very few genuine Christian converts. I will guarantee that comparatively few of them know anything about Regeneration and Conversion; I will guarantee that thousands of them have not died to sin and been "born again."

A Compromising Ministry Wins the Applause of the World, the Flesh, and the Devil

How does it happen that my Lord and Master was crucified between two *thieves*, and yet a man who claims to be His servant, can go into a dirty, rotten hell-hole like Philadelphia, and have fifty thousand converts and be boomed by the newspapers day and night?

My Savior said that *the disciple is not above his Master, nor the servant above his Lord!*

How is it that they would stone Stephen to death, cut the head off of James, and John the Baptist, stone Paul and leave him for dead; and yet a man who claims to be a minister of the Gospel and a follower of the same Jesus the Christ Who was so terribly treated as I will show you in a few minutes, can go out, and everybody thinks he is wonderful?

Let me preach three sermons in Philadelphia, and it will take the police force to get me out alive. Let me open up on their Masonic whoremongers in Philadelphia, let me expose to the public view all of the women in the churches of Philadelphia who are murderers of their unborn,—and they will say, "Away with him! He ought to be killed! A man who talks like that ought to be imprisoned. Give us a man who will entertain us with beautiful essays and little comical jokes"—the kind of a man who will play the fool, you know: stand on his head, and all the rest of it. Why, if I wanted to be hypocrite enough, I could make my hundred thousand dollars a year at it.

I send word to "Billy" Sunday, that here is a standing offer: I will give you one thousand dollars if you will let me have your converts for two hours. And it will take the state militia to get me out alive.

You mark what I say!

Just let me open up on Freemasonry! Let me show how they betray God Almighty, and Jesus the Christ; how they take an oath to have their throats cut from ear to ear, their tongues torn out by the roots, their left breasts torn open and their hearts and vitals taken from thence! Then in the Knights of Kadosh, they take an oath renouncing the Christian Religion as a thing fit only for the vulgar and the idiotic.

Think of that monster that is called religion!

Those are the kind of fellows to whom "Billy" Sunday is preaching. Those are the kind of fellows who like to see an actor—a man who can knock things out and play the clown and make a monkey out of himself. But give them the Gospel straight, and they will rise up and throw you out of the synagogue, as they did the Lord Jesus Christ.

Modern So-Called Revivals Only a Curse to the Cause of Christ

"Billy" Sunday's revivals are an abomination and a curse!

There is no Christian religion about them! They are very nice for hypocrites, and for people who will not have the Gospel.

Let me open up on the doctor business!

Let me open up on the tobacco business!

Oh, yes, they deliver sermons on booze. Why, sure! And a lot of dirty, low-down scoundrels who stink worse than skunks, and who are chewing tobacco and squirting it in all directions, when it comes to booze, they will cheer it, you know!

Yes, it is getting to be very popular to deliver a sermon on booze. But what about hogs, oysters, theaters, card-playing, and a hundred other things that are denounced in the Word of God?

Ah, the Christian religion was never popular! The Cross of Christ is not popular in Philadelphia—oh, no! It is not popular in New York either; nor in Chicago. No; it never was, and it never will be.

Why, I could preach for six months just like "Billy" Sunday does: get off some high sounding sermons, word paintings and illustrations, and make the people shed a few crocodile tears—but come! HAVE YOU BEEN "BORN AGAIN?"

"Why, we didn't know we had to be!"

Certainly not! Certainly not!

Talk about shaking hands! Why, I can go into any city in this Country and preach a sermon, and then say to the audience, "All who want to shake hands, come right up;" and they will almost squeeze the life out of me trying to shake hands.

It is the religion of the MOB; not the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Why, the Savior went into a synagogue, and He stood up (which was the custom in those days when they read), and He read the Scriptures. He read to them from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah; and when He had finished He closed the Book, handed it to the minister, and sat down,—that is the way they preached in those days. And He said, "In the days of Elias the prophet there were many lepers; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian." And the audience rose up, and made a grab for Him and they were going to *kill* Him!

Now, it is a funny thing to me, that a man can be a minister of Jesus the Christ, and a follower of Christ, and go to Philadelphia and be so very popular that all the society ladies come around with their automobiles to take him out for a ride; and all the merchants, and the doctors, and the lawyers get religion. Yes; and then they go back Tuesday night, and kill Hiram Abiff in the Masonic Lodge, and resurrect his dirty, stinking carcass on the five points of Freemasonry!

Ah, talk about a prophet! Talk about an apostle! Talk about following the Lord Jesus Christ!

The Bible says, "But the fearful (cowards), and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and SORCERERS" — that is the druggists and the doctors. I tell you, no druggist can get into THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN! Any man who runs a drug store is bound straight for HELL; and that is the plain teaching of the Word of God. In the Hebrew it is *kashaph*; and in the Greek it is *pharmakos*—from which comes our English word, "pharmacy." If you will go to a Greek Lexicon you will find the word "sorcerer" defined.

God is Looking for a True and Tried People to Represent His Cause

I tell you, the end of the ages is upon us. God Almighty is putting His people to the test; and the sorer the trial and the truer you stand, the greater will be the victory.

My brothers and sisters, God said, "I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE." The Word declares that Jesus Christ, on Calvary, bore our sins and our sicknesses; and when you turn Him aside for the doctors and for drugs, you are trampling the blood of Christ underneath your feet.

Ah, faith!

When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?

How much faith have the people?

When some one trusts God, and dies in the faith, then the devil howls; and the newspapers say, "He died without medical assistance!" And then all the old hens in the country cackle, cackle, cackle; and all the old roosters crow, crow, crow—"Died without medical assistance! Oh, my!" But take the Chicago "Daily News" every night, and look in the column of obituaries, where four hundred, seven hundred, eight hundred in the City of Chicago every week, join the procession that never returns; and all of them had doctors, and surgeons, and drugs, and hospitals

—but they all died WITH medical assistance, and paid a big pile of money for the damnable assistance.

My brothers and sisters, I do not know very many Christians; and I have never known very much. When I was a little boy, and used to take my Bible and go to church, as I saw the people assemble, and when I stayed for the class meeting and heard a certain man get up and say, "Oh, how I love Jesus!"—I thought all of the people were angels. "Oh," I thought, "what a lovely company of people!" I was just a small boy then, in knee breeches, but I had read my little Testament through four or five times.

However, the day came when the very man who had been so sanctimonious, and so holy, it was whispered around that he was making love to a girl in his house; and then in a few months his wife was taken to the insane asylum, and in a few months more something else happened, and so on. I remember I bowed my head, and I thought, "Another idol gone—one of my angels has turned out to be a man."

Then the man who led the choir—oh, how he could sing! Oh, couldn't he sing? And he could play, too—wonderful! And I found out that he loved whisky better than tea, and that he had been drinking on the sly. And then one day he started to cross a large stream and he was drowned. They fished his body out and they had a great funeral service. The Rev. Oily Mouth preached the funeral sermon; and he stuck wings onto him, and had him fly away to glory. But he was a hypocrite and a LIAR!

Then there was this one, and that one, and so on; and I was roused from my dream.

How God Called Me to Proclaim the Everlasting Gospel

After a while, when I was sixteen, I rose up to preach an evangelistic sermon. At the age of eighteen I became pastor of a church, and I preached in this State. I remember in one place where I preached the women got into a quarrel. Some of the women said they had all the people with the finest houses and clothes, in their church, and that a certain other church had all the washer-women in the town. I began to think, "Why, these people are not the angels I thought they were."

Later, I took charge of a city church, and I found that two of the trustees had never professed religion at all; but they had been elected to their positions, by the church, because they had piles of money.

Finally I came to the place where I locked myself in my room, I fell down before God, and I said, "If this is Christianity, I am an INFIDEL!" I wrote to a law school and made arrangements to enter and take up the study of law. Just as I was about to complete the arrangements, LEAVES OF HEALING came into my hands, brought by a lady from Cincinnati, Ohio. Little did she ever realize what the bringing of that paper from the city of Cincinnati meant. I sat in my room and I read it until I wore it out; and then I came to Chicago, and I studied ZION.

The Ministry of John Alex. Dowie the Most Important of any Man in History

I want to tell you, I do not hesitate to say this afternoon, and I do not except any man, John Alexander Dowie was the greatest preacher of the Gospel of any man who ever trod this earth! The ministry of John Alexander Dowie was a greater ministry than Paul's ministry was; and I do not hesitate to say it for a minute. If I were summoned to appear before Paul himself (one of the greatest of God's servants who ever lived), and to talk to him in Heaven, I would have to say, that the ministry of John Alexander Dowie was the greatest ministry of any man who ever graced this earth.

Oh, it does not make any difference whether he made mistakes or not; and it does not make any difference whether there are things you cannot understand. That has nothing to do with it. There are things in the lives of Paul and David and Moses and many others that I do not understand. I judge John Alexander Dowie by the Gospel he preached, by the people who were saved, by the people who he healed, by the stir he made in the world. How they thirsted for his blood! How they howled like demons for his death!

Why?

He was GOD'S PROPHET, and he had the seal of a prophet upon his ministry!

Think of a man being a minister of the GOSPEL, and every-

body loving him and speaking well of him—saying, "Oh, isn't he a lovely little preacher!" It is when they come around with brickbats, and rocks, and say they are going to MURDER you, that you can prove that you are genuine.

I have heard that a dozen times this last week—how they are going to murder me for doing certain things in this city. Would not the devil like to have me out of here, so he could bring in saloons and harlots' dens, and so these scoundrels of hell could turn it into the worst place on the North Shore? Oh, would not they like to do it!

The Cross of Christ!

"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified"—is that a fact? Well, I will tell you, there are a good many old men around ZION CITY; and a good many old women too.

Don't you make any mistake about it!

I ask myself: Voliva, have you crucified the old man? I ask you, Darms: Have you crucified the old man? I ask you, Harwood, Carey, Robbins, officers, members of ZION: HAVE YOU CRUCIFIED THE OLD MAN?

Crucify the old man!

Crucify the old woman!

Ah, there is the trouble today!

The Christian not to Glory in Anything save the Cross of Christ

But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. (Galatians 6:14)

Oh, I realize today, as I never realized before, what it means to be an ambassador of God. What a foolish thing for any man to glory in his learning, in his talents, in his personal power! What does it all amount to? There is only one thing that amounts to the snap of your finger—the CROSS OF CHRIST.

My brothers and sisters, this afternoon may God help you!

Now, I desire to read the Scripture to you. I would rather do that than anything else.

Listen!

And he that taketh not his cross and followeth after me, is not worthy of Me.

He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it. (Matthew 10:38, 39)

"Then said Jesus unto His disciples,"—this was just after he had said to Peter, "Get Thee behind Me, Satan!"—"If any man will COME AFTER ME,"—I wish I had time to describe the journey of Jesus, but I have not—"If any man will come after Me, let him DENY HIMSELF, and take up his cross and follow Me."

Deny yourself! Ah, that is a hard thing to do.

People say, "I am going to have my own sweet way, see? The Body says, 'Stay at home this afternoon and take your ease,' and I am going to do it; the Body says, 'Drink this,' and I am going to drink it; the Body says, 'Eat this,' and I am going to eat it; the Body says, 'Indulge in this,' and I am going to indulge."

Yes, God tells you to do a THOUSAND THINGS, and self says NO; and you deny God instead of denying self and taking up His cross and following Him.

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it.

For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? (Matthew 16:24-26)

I know a lot of people—some in ZION CITY, and some in this audience—who have sold their souls for a horse; or they have sold their souls for a little bit of so-called pleasure. I think I know of some young men and women who have sold their souls, damned their souls, to run to Waukegan to a moving-picture show; or to go somewhere else for what they call pleasure.

Yes!

"What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of His Father with His angels; and then He shall reward every man according to His works. (Matthew 16:27)

The Tremendous Price it Costs to be a Christian

You will find the same thing in Mark.

Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow Me.

And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions. (Mark 10:21, 22)

You will find these different selections in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John; they will be printed in LEAVES OF HEALING in parallel columns. I wish I had the time to read them right through, but I have not; because I have not started yet—I have not finished the introduction.

We pass over into the Epistles, and you will find a number of wonderful passages on the cross. You will find in Corinthians, in Galatians, in Ephesians, in Philippians, in Colossians, and in Hebrews, in the writings of Paul, a number of very wonderful statements regarding the cross.

Now, my brothers and sisters, if you have followed me closely you are prepared to spend a few minutes on the sufferings of Christ. When I have finished, I wonder whether you can understand it, and whether you will be able to look up to God, and say, "I am a disciple of Jesus the Christ." Oh, if I am not, I pray that God will show me, and that I will never for one second, when I get to the close of this address, stand up here and say, "My God and Father, I know I am a disciple of Jesus the Christ; I know I am a follower of Jesus."

If you cannot say that you are Christ's follower, it is sad. Oh, how sad it is if you cannot say it! You might say, "Well, my name is on the church roll." Or, you might say, "I am a Methodist"—"I am a Presbyterian"—"I am a Baptist."

Everyone to Answer this Most Important Question

I ask you, ARE YOU A DISCIPLE OF JESUS THE CHRIST? ARE YOU A FOLLOWER OF JESUS THE CHRIST? Are you FOLLOWING Him?

Now, during the presentation of the sufferings of Christ, I desire you to remain in silent prayer. Never mind about going home. I see a number going home. I have noticed some young women and some young men going home. Oh, I wish I had the time, and I would like to tell you all I think when I see them going out. They are not Christians; they are not converted. They are not thinking about settling the question as to whether they are saved or not. But just wait! In a few months there will come a call on "31"—"Come over to our house," some one says, "John is dying." I call for the carriage and drive over to the house. I see John going out this afternoon, I see a little girl going out in front of him. I look at both of them. Oh, how I would like to save them! But no, they could not stay and hear about the Cross! They could not stay and settle once for all whether they were followers of Jesus the Christ or not!

And now, there lies John dying of typhoid pneumonia—almost unconscious; and with his gasping breath he says, "Oh, if God will only heal me, I will promise Him I will do thus and so."

Listen to it! Do you hear the death-rattle in his throat? Do you see the red on the cheek, the result of the awful fever? He is DYING, and he wants to do now, what he should have done *this afternoon*.

I am here to tell you, you will DIE AS YOU LIVE! When I stand by your bedside, I must say to you, "You have had the light—you have had the invitation. I pled with you with my heart's blood; the Holy Ghost pled with you; God pled with you; Christ DIED for you; the Choir sang for you; they ALL prayed for you—and you got up and went out, and you went to HELL!" Oh, what a terrible thing it is!

The Bleeding Savior upon the Cross Pleads for the World's Redemption

My brothers and sisters, as I proceed to describe the sufferings of the Savior, I want three different hymns sung; and while they are being sung, I desire you to bow your heads in silent prayer. I pray that Heaven will come down into this Tabernacle and that the power of God will lay hold upon every saint and quicken you; that you may be cleansed until you are whiter than snow. I pray that sinners will be made to tremble before the presence of the power of God.

This afternoon you have the opportunity to see the Cross. If you will not see it, may God show it to you in your dreams tonight—until Calvary rises before your eyes, and you see on the right hand the impenitent sinner; on the left hand the penitent sinner; in the center the Blessed Son of Righteousness, ready to burst upon you in all the glory of Heaven, and say, "My boy, with these bleeding hands and torn side, I plead with you to give your heart to God." Oh, may God grant it!

Today I talk to you as a dying man—as though tonight I expected to close my eyes and stand in the presence of God to give an account of my life and ministry here.

My brothers and sisters, the time is short, Oh, the indifference and the carelessness! How many are going down to hell, even from Shiloh Tabernacle! In the face of all the sermons and the pleadings that go forth, how many are going the broad way to hell!

Now, the clock has struck the hour.

Think of it! Jesus of Nazareth, Who spoke as never man spoke for more than two years, and Who had toiled day and night, came unto His own and they would not receive Him.

The clock has struck the hour when He has spoken the last word the people will ever hear. It is morning. The whole day He is to spend in seclusion and in silence.

It is written in the 1st verse of the 26th chapter: "And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, He said unto His disciples, Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified."

Never more was the public to hear His voice; they had heard it for the last time. In the 24th and 25th chapters they had listened to Him for the last time. Never again would they hear Him preach a sermon.

The Passover, Partaken of by the Christ, Symbolic of His Sacrificial Death

He said to His disciples, "After two days is the feast of the passover..." He knew He was to be slain as the Lamb of God for the sins of the world; and that day He spent in solitude. He came forth to eat the passover on Thursday night, and in that upper room in Jerusalem, and on the way to Gethsemane under a moonlit sky, He delivered those wonderful words found in the 15th, 16th and 17th chapters of St. John.

I desire you to follow very closely and see what He suffered.

Do you know where His journey started? His journey started in Heaven, and He came all the way from Heaven down to this earth. Now He has reached the close of His public ministry.

You know how He was treated. You know how shamefully they treated Him! He did not have many disciples—oh, no! He had only a little handful. He did not have any fifty thousand converts in Jerusalem! He did not have all the Pharisees and the scribes sitting on the platform with him.

NO!

In the 6th of John, many that had walked with Him before, walked no more with Him; and He said to His disciples, "Will ye also go away?" Then Peter said, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life."

Yes, He had only a little handful. And they said He had a devil; and they said that He cast out demons by the prince of demons.

My brothers and sisters, only the man who is truthful knows what it is to suffer when he is called a liar; only the man who is pure knows what it is to suffer when he is called impure; only the man who is unselfish, and who is pouring out his life for God, knows what it is to suffer when he is misunderstood and shamefully treated.

The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

My brothers and sisters, do you begin to get a glimpse of the Christian life, and of what it means to follow the Lord Jesus Christ?

While He was saying these words, there was a conference being held, and in that conference they were plotting His death. They said, "We will not take Him openly, lest there be a turmoil among the people; but we will take Him secretly and kill Him."

Then it was that one of HIS OWN DISCIPLES—oh, think of it! Who can describe the suffering? Think of a father who is betrayed by his own son; a mother by her own daughter; a minister by one who has been in his confidence and has been trusted. Judas Iscariot betrayed the Son of God for THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER, and he came to Him and imprinted upon His cheek a kiss—a kiss that had in it the BREATH OF HELL AND HYPOCRISY!

Oh, what suffering that was!

The Weight of Humanity's Sins, Diseases and Sorrows, Borne by Jesus the Christ

My friends, did you ever sit down and read the 14th and the 15th and the 16th and the 17th chapters of John? Have you read them over and over and over? Do you know them by heart?

Can you close your eyes and see them? Just remember that the Son of man, in the upper room in Jerusalem, the night before He was crucified, spoke those wonderful words. Just remember that as He marched from that upper room on the way to Gethsemane, He was teaching all the time.

And now He comes to the Garden of Gethsemane.

What a wonderful scene! What is the use for any man to try to describe it? I have looked at pictures of the Garden of Gethsemane, and I have tried to picture to myself just where the Savior came with His Apostles; how He said to all of them but three, "You stay here;" and then to the three, "You come along with Me." He took only three out of the eleven into the Garden with Him, and then He said to them, "Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder."

Oh, can you picture His suffering, my brothers and sisters? You do not know much about it. No; perhaps none of us know *anything* about it. There came upon the Blessed Christ the weight of all the sins of all the world, from the time of Adam down to the last man. Would you like to shoulder the sins of all the criminals in the Cook County jail? Would you like to shoulder the burden of all the sins of the inmates of the prison in Joliet? Would you like to stand in the place of one murderer or one highway robber? Jesus the Christ, in the Garden of Gethsemane, had come upon Him the weight of all the sins ever committed by all the people from Adam down to the end of time.

In addition to the burden of all the sins, He had the burden of all the sicknesses and all the diseases and all the sorrows, come upon Him.

How would you like to bear the burden of half-a-dozen people with tuberculosis? How would you like to go to Chicago tonight, and take upon you the burdens of all the mothers who are sitting by the bedsides watching the little sweet ones breathe their last?

And yet, Jesus bore it all!

No wonder He sweat as it were great drops of blood! No wonder He prayed, and said, "O My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me!" But it was not possible; for if it had been possible, you and I would have been without salvation today, without hope—we would have been lost and on our way to hell.

The Sufferings Endured by the Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane

And then He went back, and the three were sleeping. Oh, they were heavy—yes; heavy with sleep. What did He say to them? He said it kindly—"What, could ye not watch with Me one hour?"

And He went a second time, and fell upon His face, praying the same words; and He came back and found them asleep again. Then He went back, bearing that burden, and He prayed the third time. Oh, what a cry that must have been! Some of you have borne burdens—heavy burdens. No doubt there are others here who have daughters who have gone to the devil, and you have shed tears—oh, the bitter tears you have shed over them! Oh, the agony of your heart!—no one could describe it. Much less could anyone describe the agony of the Son of man, as He cried in His humanity to God, that if it were possible, to let the cup pass from Him.

And then He goes back to them the last time, and He said,—oh, it seems to me the saddest thing that ever was uttered—"Sleep on now, and take your rest."

Bow your heads and sing. With heads bowed in prayer, all joined in singing the hymn—"TIS MIDNIGHT."

'Tis midnight; and on Olive's brow
The star is dimn'd that lately shone;
'Tis midnight; in the garden now
The suffer'ing Savior prays alone.

'Tis midnight; and from all remov'd,
The Savior wrestles lone with fears;
Ev'n that disciple whom He lov'd
Heeds not His Master's grief and tears.

'Tis midnight; and for others' guilt,
The Man of sorrows weeps in blood;
Yet He, Who hath in anguish knelt,
Is not forsaken by His God.

GENERAL OVERSEER: They talk about being followers of Jesus!

He was betrayed and taken before Caiaphas, the High Priest; then before Pilate.

I want you to see Him, as we are told in the 67th verse of this 26th chapter of Matthew that they spit in His face, and buffeted Him; and others smote Him with the palms of their hands.

The Christ Tried by Caiaphas, Denied by Peter, Condemned by Pilate

Then next, oh, think of it!—the man who was one of the three taken into the house of Jairus, one of the three taken upon the Mount of Transfiguration, one of the three taken into the GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE; the man who had said, "Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended!"—this same man approached by a maid who said, "Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee;" and he denied, saying, "I know not what thou sayest." Then he came out upon the porch, and another maid said, "This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth;" and with an oath he denied, saying, "I do not know the man." Again he was approached, and he was told, "Thy speech betrayeth thee;" and then, with CURSES, he denied that he knew the Christ.

Oh, what a TERRIBLE thing!

As they led Jesus out, Luke tells us He turned and looked at Peter. That was enough! Peter went out and WEPT BITTERLY.

The trial of Jesus was a mockery. Pilate wanted to release Him; for he said, "I find no fault in Him." But the people said, "He is worthy of death." Again Pilate tried to release Him, but the people were determined Christ should be put to death.

Finally, as we are told in the Gospel of John, Pilate led Him forth, saying, "Behold the Man!" *Ecce Homo!*—one of the most thrilling pictures in all the career of Jesus the Christ.

When Pilate had released Barabbas, he said unto the people, "What shall I do with Jesus Who is called Christ?" And they all said, "Let Him be crucified."

Oh, think of it!—One in Whom there was no guile, neither was any deceit in His mouth; Who never sinned; Who lived and loved and served the people, and Who healed their sick—and now they say, "CRUCIFY HIM!"

Oh, what do you think He must have been suffering then?

And then answer the question: HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU CRUCIFIED HIM? How many times have you put Him to death by your conduct—by your disobedience and by your refusal to obey His voice and keep His commandments?

Then when Jesus was finally condemned, Pilate washed his hands, and said, "I am innocent of the blood of this just Person: see ye to it." And the crowd said,—Oh, it is enough to make the blood curdle in one's veins!—"HIS BLOOD BE ON US, AND ON OUR CHILDREN," and it came to pass in 70 A. D. Oh, what a prayer!—and it was answered.

Now then, they stripped Him naked and scourged Him. I have already described the treatment of criminals, so you can readily understand why He sank beneath the weight of the cross. He had had no sleep all night and He had lost so much blood, that when He attempted to carry His cross He sank beneath its weight.

The Cruel Treatment of the Soldiers Scourging the Christ and Crowning Him with Thorns

A band of cruel soldiers stripped Him and scourged Him, and then they took His poor body and grabbed a robe which was either worn by one of the soldiers or was a cast-off robe of Pilate's, they put it on Him; and they mocked Him and laughed at Him. They put a crown of thorns on His brow. Some people wonder if it was really true that they made a crown of thorns and drove them into the flesh. They gathered a plant, that is well known in Palestine, which is thickly studded with sharp thorns; and they made a wreath and pushed the thorns into His flesh. They put a reed in His right hand, in mockery, as though it were a scepter, and they bowed down and made fun of Him.

Can you see the scene?

Some of you are ashamed, when you go away, to register from ZION CITY, are you not? And still you want to be considered a disciple of the Christ. As you sit in the car or as you travel in the train you are afraid somebody will find out that you belong to ZION, are you not? You are afraid somebody will find out that you are a Christian, are you not? Well, there is no danger; and if they did find it out it would be a lie.

Oh, as one goes along in this, it makes one feel like falling over on the floor and saying, "My God, my God, what am I?" And yet this same Savior sent a blessed invitation to every one of you.

Then soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto Him the whole band of soldiers.

And they stripped Him, and put on Him a scarlet robe.

And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon His head, and a reed in His right hand; and they bowed the knee before Him, and mocked Him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

And they spit upon Him, and took the reed, and smote Him on the head.

And after they had mocked Him, they took the robe off of His poor, torn, bleeding body, and put His own clothes back on Him. By that time that robe had stuck fast to the bleeding muscles of the back and to various parts of the body; but the cruel, inhuman wretches tore the robe off of Him, tearing the wounds wide open again.

Then they led Him away. Either some one marched ahead, wearing a white plate giving the crime for which He was condemned, or He wore it around His neck; and, as John tells us, He started bearing His cross.

(The congregation remained with heads bowed in prayer, while the Choir sang the hymn—"MUST JESUS BEAR THE CROSS ALONE.")

Must Jesus bear the cross alone,
And all the world go free?
No there's a cross for ev'ry one,
And there's a cross for me.

The consecrated cross I'll bear,
Till death shall set me free;
And then go home my crown to wear,
For there's a crown for me.

Upon the crystal pavement, down
At Jesus' pierced feet,
With joy I'll cast my golden crown,
And His dear Name repeat.

O precious cross! O glorious crown!
O resurrection day!
Ye angels, from the stars come down,
And bear my soul away.

The Wonderful Privilege of Bearing the Cross of Christ

GENERAL OVERSEER: From the loss of sleep and the loss of blood He sank beneath the weight of the cross, and they met a man (mentioned in the Gospel of Matthew and the Gospel of Mark), Simon, a Cyrenian, and him they compelled to bear the cross. Did any man ever have a greater honor than to bear the cross of Christ?

A woman, as we are told in the 26th chapter of Matthew, came in and anointed Him for burial before His death. Of her He said, "Whosoever this Gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her."

And now, Simon, a Cyrenian, had the privilege, and the honor, of carrying the cross of Christ to the place of crucifixion. Wouldn't you like to have had the privilege, and that honor? You have other privileges and other honors held out to you.

They went to a place called Golgotha, and they put Him on the cross. They nailed His hands, they nailed His feet, and they put Him to death between two thieves. They put over His head the inscription, "THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS." They that passed by reviled Him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save Thyself."

And that is what they say to you today: "Save yourself; save your money; save your farms; save your life. Don't be a fool!"—that is what the devil says to you. They said to Jesus, "Save Thyself."

Can you see them there looking up and saying, "Come down from the cross! You come down from the cross and we will believe on you!" But if He had come down from the cross, where would you and I be today? And if you save yourselves, and refuse to hear the voice of God, Eternity alone will reveal the disaster.

The chief priests mocked Him: the scribes and the elders said, "He saved others, now let Him save Himself."

He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now, if He will have Him: for He said, I am the Son of God. (Matthew 27:43)

Darkness over the Land, when the Christ Dies upon Calvary

Now, from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour—old mother earth groaned and mingled

her agony and suffering with that of the Son of God, as He died upon the cross. And about the ninth hour He cried with a loud voice, and said, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" And when He had cried again with a loud voice, He dismissed His spirit.

Please sing "CALVARY." (The Choir and Congregation joined in the singing of this hymn.)

On Calv'ry's brow my Savior died,
'Twas there my Lord was crucified;
'Twas on the cross He bled for me,
And purchased there my pardon free.

CHORUS.—

O Calvary! dark Calvary!
Where Jesus Shed His blood for me;
O Calvary! blest Calvary!
'Twas there my Savior died for me.

'Mid rending rocks and dark'ning skies,
My Savior bows His head and dies
The opening veil reveals the way
To heaven's joys and endless day.

O Jesus, Lord, how can it be,
That Thou shouldst give Thy life for me,
To bear the cross and agony,
In that dread hour on Calvary?

Now in closing, you have followed the Son of God to the cross; and I trust that you have seen this afternoon, as never before, the way He trod. I trust that you will understand that this is not a light matter that you can play with and fool with and still entertain the hope of standing with Him upon Mount Olivet, when this afternoon you refuse absolutely to stand on Calvary.

I desire to read a few passages of Scripture, believing that now you can understand them better than before.

"And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after Me,"—you have seen the Savior shouldering His cross, and you have seen Him sink beneath its weight, because of the loss of sleep and the loss of blood; and now, from the right hand of God, He once more says to you and to me in Shiloh Tabernacle—"Whosoever doth not bear His Cross, and come after Me, *cannot be My disciple.*"

For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him.

Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand?

Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassador, and desireth conditions of peace.

So likewise, WHOSOEVER HE BE OF YOU THAT FORSAKETH NOT ALL THAT HE HATH, HE CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE. (Luke 14:28-33)

Most Church Members have No Conception of the Christian Life

As I picture a church, there sits a man who boasts of six thousand acres of the finest land in the country. There sits his son who has nine hundred; and another son with an equal amount; and another son with an equal amount. There sits another man with four hundred acres of land, besides a beautiful house, and a magnificent barn, and hundreds upon hundreds of stock of different kinds. There sits another, and another, and another, and yet the total amount contributed by that church for the Gospel, per year, was TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY DOLLARS.

Think of it!

The man who boasts of his six thousand acres, I have seen him search for five minutes for a penny to put in the collection box. The man who lives in the brick mansion, with all those broad acres and thousands of dollars' worth of stock, subscribed the magnificent sum of *seven dollars a year* toward the Gospel.

You ask me, "Do you believe those men are converted? Do you believe they are Christians?" Why, they are no more converted than the DEVIL HIMSELF! You might just as well ask me if a thorn tree is a pear tree or a peach tree or an apple tree—I tell you NO!

That is the reason I say the average church member knows nothing about what it is to follow Jesus the Christ. Will they sacrifice anything? Will they deny themselves? Will they suffer ignominy and shame, Will they be scoffed at and called a fool—spit upon?

No!

You know, you can join anything under the heavens, except ZION, and nobody will say a word. But when you come to join ZION, then there is a howl from Dan to Beer-Sheba. All HELL shouts if you want to join ZION. You can be a Methodist, a Presbyterian, a Baptist, a Roman Catholic, a Dunkard, a Quaker, a Spiritualist, a Christian Scientist,—you can be anything outside of HELL, and nothing is said. But just say a word about ZION, and then the relatives begin to get together, and they say you have gone crazy and must have a guardian.

Why?

Zion Endures the Same Kind of Persecution Suffered by the Apostolic Church

ZION believes in God; ZION believes in Jesus the Christ; ZION believes in the Holy Ghost; ZION believes in the precious Word of God, from cover to cover; ZION believes in trusting God; ZION believes in prayer; ZION believes in abstaining from tobacco, from intoxicating liquor, from theaters, from dances, from card-playing, from gambling, from unclean books, and from every damnable thing that curses the earth! That is the reason ZION is hated and persecuted!

Oh, thank God for ZION, where we can suffer like our Lord and Master, suffer like the Apostles—SUFFER FOR CHRIST'S SAKE.

THE DISCIPLE IS NOT ABOVE HIS MASTER, NOR THE SERVANT ABOVE HIS LORD.

SO LIKEWISE, WHOSOEVER HE BE OF YOU THAT FORSAKETH NOT ALL THAT HE HATH, HE CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE.

"Oh," some one says, "but you want me to sell my farm and put the money in ZION!" I do not care the snap of my finger what you do with your old farm! You can keep it and go to hell with it.

I care for no man! I care for no man's money! I am here to do my *duty*. I do not have to succeed, but I have to do RIGHT; and I am here to do it, by the grace and the help of God.

"Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not ALL THAT HE HATH"—"I can't do anything, because my wife is opposed to me." I heard a man say that the other day. All I have to say to you, my friend, if you are here this afternoon, you are not a child of God, you are a child of the devil! A man who will let his wife keep him from serving God, he is not a disciple of Jesus the Christ; and a wife who will let her husband keep her from serving God, she is not a disciple of Jesus the Christ. When it comes to Christ and wife, you have to put Christ first; Christ and husband, Christ is first; Christ and anybody else, you have to put Christ first or else you are not a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Salt is good: but if the salt have lost its savor wherewith shall it be seasoned?

It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; but men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. (Luke 14: 34, 35.)

The Sham of Denominationalism Passing for Christianity

Talk about being a Christian!

Are you a Christian? Well, I try to pay my debts."

Are you a Christian? "Well, I attend to my own business."

Are you a Christian? "I am a Methodist."

Well, that may all be true, and still you might be on the straight road to hell! You all know that.

I tell you, when you get before the Judgment Bar of God, God Almighty will not say, "Are you a Methodist? Are you a Presbyterian? Are you a Baptist?" They do not know anything about such things up there. You will never hear the words mentioned in Heaven—never!

It does not say here in the Scriptures, "If any man will be a *Methodist*, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." The Bible says, "IF ANY MAN WILL BE MY DISCIPLE"—that is what it says!

Now then, you have seen the Savior away up yonder in the form of God, laying that all off, taking up the form of a servant and coming down here to this old earth; and you have seen Him as He allowed them to spit upon Him, to scourge Him, to beat Him, to mock Him and to put Him to death upon the cross. And now this same Savior is the One Who says this afternoon, "If any man—if any woman, anybody here—will be My disciple, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS DAILY, AND FOLLOW ME."

Are you willing to do it?

Are you ready to do it?

Are you willing to pay the price?

Oh, the thing called Christianity makes me sick at my stomach! If ZION does not measure up to the standard, my cry to God is that He will smite her and blot her off the face of the earth. It is better that she should not exist to cumber the ground.

Zion can only be Built-up by Self-denial and Self-sacrifice

My brother, if you are not a Christian, get out of here! If you are not a true disciple of Christ, but only a hypocrite and an hireling, get out of here and do it QUICKLY! I have not any time to spend with hypocrites, with salt that has lost its savor, with men and women whose light has gone out, with men and women who have been cut off from the vine! I have no time for people of that kind! I have no time for people who are not ready this afternoon to march right up to the standard to build a ZION CITY.

Before many weeks I am going to deliver an ultimatum, and I am going to say to certain people, "Go! Keep your farms, and your money, and your houses, and go! We do not want you in ZION! Then we will march forward to build a beautiful ZION CITY; but you are a CURSE and a HINDRANCE!"

Oh, yes, some of you people here, four years ago you were going to sell a farm to build a ZION CITY—you liar! you hypocrite! You have not sold it yet; and you never intended to sell it. You LIED to God! But ZION goes marching on—marching from VICTORY TO VICTORY; and my eyes are upon the *Eternal God*.

"Thank God I can get along without liars and hypocrites! I do not need them to build a ZION CITY! Keep your money; keep your houses, keep your FARMS, and you will go to HELL; and you will have neither lot nor part in building a ZION CITY!"

Ah, did the Savior stand back here, and say, "Take up your cross, and go?" No! He started in Heaven, came down to earth and trod the earth, and then He went through all that suffering, was crucified, passed through it all; and then He said, "If YOU would be My disciple, DENY YOURSELF, take up your cross, and come on and FOLLOW ME."

Are you going to do it?

Are you willing to do it!

Oh, it is getting to be serious business, is it not?—mighty serious business.

"How much of a salary will you give me if I will come and work in ZION?"—I do not want you!

I receive letters: "Rev. Wilbur Glenn Voliva, ZION CITY, Illinois—I am glad to learn, from letters from a friend, that you are getting along so nicely. We used to live in ZION CITY, and when the time comes that you get everything in good shape, we may consider returning to ZION CITY to live."

My! Well, they better stay where they are, that is what they better do! I am not so sure but that Zion needs to take a good vomit once more; for there are some who need to be vomited out. They are not of ZION—they do not mean business.

The Robe of Righteousness, Woven upon Calvary and Dyed in the Savior's Blood

The reason I am working here this afternoon is to try to get you to see yourselves as you are. May God strip you this afternoon! Some of you miserable self-righteous people, who go around setting yourselves up as being so holy, don't you know your old self-righteousness is nothing but filthy rags? Don't you know that? Let me show you a Robe, and let me tell you where it was woven. Do you see Calvary? Do you see it? There is where the Robe of Righteousness was woven! Do you see the blood trickling from the Savior's side? That is where the Robe was dyed—in the blood of Christ; and Christ stands ready to give this Robe to you if you will only pay the price.

O my brothers and sisters, as I stand here and see what a Savior I have, I look back over my own life: O Father in Heaven, am I a true disciple of Jesus the Christ? After all am I prepared to lay down my life? Am I prepared to suffer to the uttermost? Am I willing to take Thy discipline and still press forward until I stand with the Savior upon the Mount of Olivet to rule and reign with Him for a thousand years?

Oh, how we like to have our own way! We make our plans, and we get them all so nicely woven! We say to ourselves: "What a beautiful plan! Next year we will build a new house,

and we will get a certain kind of furniture, and we will do this and that and the other thing." And then the Savior reaches down and grabs that plan and tears it all to pieces, until there is not a shred left. How much do we think of Jesus then? We have to start all over again. How much do we think of Jesus then? Is there any Jesus in it for us then?

The Perfect Example of Self-sacrifice set-forth in the Christ-life

My brothers and sisters, let me tell you something: The One Who is talking, and Who is saying, "If any man will be My disciple, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me,"—He did not have a place to lay His head; He did not have a rag to cover His body when He was dead; He did not have a grave—He had to be buried in a borrowed grave. Oh, think of it! And He is the One Who is saying, "If any man will be My disciple, let him DENY HIMSELF, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me."

The question is, how many are there who are doing it? How many are willing to do it?

Now then, I will have to deliver a second address on "The Crown," because it is a great subject. You heard the Scripture lesson. Oh, I have read it over so many times. That grand man—what a wonderful man Paul was?

That seventh verse of the 4th chapter of Second Timothy, correctly translated is: "For *I am already being offered*, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

Oh, listen again, my brothers and sisters, hear the man through whom God Almighty indited the greater part of the New Testament; the man who made three missionary tours, and who stirred the then-known world—hear him as he says: "I am already being offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. 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—"what? What is the rest of that?"—"BUT UNTO ALL THEM ALSO THAT LOVE HIS APPEARING."

Do you love it? I like to meet a person who is interested in the Second Coming of the Lord.

May God help us to read these passages of Scripture over and over! May God help you to fall down upon your knees and quit your fooling and playing with these things! May God help you to go home tonight, get your Bible, sit down and read these passages over once, twenty times, A HUNDRED TIMES, and see what they mean!

THE CROSS OF CHRIST!

May God help you to realize what it means. It means self-denial, self-sacrifice, suffering! I might say tonight, "Well, I have worked hard enough; I have worked long enough. Why should I continue to toil day and night? I might just as well be spared all of this."

Every Follower of the Christ Called-upon to Bear his own Cross

Ah, but then there would be no ZION CITY; and there would not be some other things that God through ZION has given to this poor, old, suffering world. Oh, sometimes it is hard! If you think it is not, try my place for twenty-four hours, and you will find out there is a cross there you could not bear.

Some people do not want to bear their own cross, they want to bear some other person's cross; and they say, "If I could have a big cross, and could have some notoriety out of it, I would bear it. My brothers and sisters, you cannot bear my cross and I cannot bear your cross. Take up your own cross, bear it daily, and FOLLOW JESUS."

You see that young man with a beautiful education? And here are three fellows, and they say, "I wish I had an education like he has." Yes, but before you can have an education like that, it means four years, five years, six years, seven years, TEN YEARS, day and night, studying mathematics, languages, history, the sciences, and so on; and digging deep and appropriating the knowledge of the world. That is what it means!

Most people want the reward, but they do not want the labor. There is not one who does not want the crown. Look at the people who want to go to Heaven. Why, sure! I have heard preachers say, "Everybody here who wants to go to Heaven stand up!"—and everybody stood up. Yes, everybody wants that

crown yonder—oh, isn't it beautiful? But, I tell you, before you can ever get to that crown, do you see that cross there? you cannot go under it, you cannot go over it, you cannot turn to the right hand nor to the left—you must be SPIKED TO THAT CROSS before you can ever grasp the crown!

Enduring the Cross Enables one to Receive the Crown

My brothers and sisters, you might just as well come to it one time as another; because if you do not awake this afternoon you will awake when it is too late.

I tell you, if you never hear me preach again, and I stand in the Day of Judgment and face you, you will have to say, "He faithfully warned us." I want to be able to say, "These hands are free from the blood of all men, for I have shunned not to declare the whole counsel of God."

Now, I am not going to ask a question that was in my mind. I would rather have you sit still and think it over. Instead of asking how many there are here who are going to take up their cross and follow Jesus faithfully, I am going to ask you to go home and think it over. Pray about it! Tell God about it! Then we will see what you are willing to do.

I desire to close the service by singing hymn No. 12, and I hope you will all sing it.

Let all stand please! (The Choir and congregation joined heartily in singing the following hymn, entitled, "THE GATE AJAR FOR ME.")

There is a gate that stands ajar,
And thro' its portals gleaming,
A radiance from the Cross afar,
The Savior's love revealing.

REFRAIN.—

Oh, depth of mercy! can it be
That gate was left ajar for me?
For me, for me?
Was left ajar for me?

That gate ajar stands free for all
Who seek thro' it salvation;
The rich and poor, the great and small,
Of every tribe and nation.

Press onward then, tho' foes may frown,
While mercy's gate is open:
Accept the cross, and win the crown,
Love's everlasting token.

Beyond the river's brink we'll lay
The cross that here is given,
And bear the crown of life away,
And love Him more in heaven.

The congregation remained standing in silent prayer, while the Choirs marched out, singing in RECESSIONAL: "SOFTLY NOW THE LIGHT OF DAY."

Softly now the light of day
Fades upon my sight away;
Free from care, from labor free,
Lord, I would commune with Thee.

Thou, Whose all-pervading eye
Naught escapes, without, within,
Pardon each infirmity,
Open fault, and secret sin.

Soon, for me, the light of day
Shall for ever pass away;
Then, from sin and sorrow free,
Take me, Lord, to dwell with Thee.

Thou Who, sinless, yet hast known
All of man's infirmity,
Then, from Thine eternal throne,
Jesus, look with pitying eye.

The GENERAL OVERSEER pronounced the following

BENEDICTION

May the grace of God the Father, the communion and fellowship of the Holy Spirit the Comforter, and the peace of Jesus the Christ, the Savior, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper, be with you one and all, and all of God's children everywhere, both this day and for evermore. Amen.

ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

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For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

Thousands Want a Zion City

The DESIRE for a Zion City must be accomplished by FAITH!

Faith must be followed by WORKS!

The immediate attention of the thousands who want a Zion City is called to the fact that on September 1, 1916, another payment must be made on the Zion Estate.

This payment, under the old arrangement made March 1, 1911, amounted to \$125,000.00; but under the new arrangement which has recently been effected, the entire amount, together with interest in full, that has to be paid, amounts to the comparatively small sum of \$41,500.00.

All who want a Zion City should appreciate what the General Overseer and General Manager have been able to accomplish, and should show their appreciation by an immediate response to this call.

Every person who wants a Zion City should consider this obligation his own individual obligation, and should realize that if he does not come forward to the full extent of his ability, then, so far as he is concerned, no matter how much he may want a Zion City, there will never be one built.

W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, is the General Manager, and every person, no matter where he lives, who wants a Zion City, should write him within the next ten days.

There is but one position for you to take, and that is: "If I do not do my full duty, then this obligation will not be met."

The Zion Estate does not ask for, neither will it accept, any gifts. We want Zion people to purchase the city lots, the acre tracts, the farms, the residential properties, or loan their money where it can be used for the extension of God's Kingdom.

Do not fail to WRITE TODAY and tell the General Manager he can depend upon you for \$100.00, or \$500.00, or \$1,000.00, or \$10,000.00, or more—whatever the amount may be.

An immediate response on the part of all who want a Zion City will make this matter a very easy one.

Earnestly praying that God will help one and all to translate the prayers, testimonies, and addresses of the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles into action; that He may touch your hearts, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

Faithfully, in Jesus' Name,



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Zion Schools, including the Kindergarten, the Junior Schools, and Preparatory College, will be opened in September.

There should be, from this day forward, the greatest possible effort, with unwavering faith in God, put forth to dispose of all outside properties, so that one and all can come quickly, with all their resources, to help establish Zion City.

For information write to

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
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And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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Saved in Childbearing, and Healed of Hemorrhage, Dropsy and Milk Leg, by the Power and the Mercy of God.

AND many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book:

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His Name."—John 20:30, 31.

"And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written."—John 21:25.

THE HALF NEVER CAN BE TOLD

Only a few of the mighty works wrought by Jesus Christ, have been recorded in the four Gospels.

So, also, it is impossible to publish in LEAVES OF HEALING a tithe of the wonderful works of salvation and healing wrought in ZION through faith in Jesus.

From week to week for twenty-two years LEAVES OF HEALING has been sending forth a continuous stream of testimony; but only a few of the many



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When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant AT ONCE!

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into ZION, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into ZION and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into ZION, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!

Editorial Notes

By Apostle E. L. Carey

BECAUSE IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord.

IF THERE is any people on the face of the earth who ought to be thankful, it is the ZION people.

There are many reasons why they should be thankful and praise the Lord.

ZION PRAISES God for His Word, for the faithfulness of God in verifying all of His promises.

The Psalmist testified to the faithfulness of God and the righteousness of His Word when He said; "Thy Word is true from the beginning." "The law of Thy mouth," said he, "is better unto me than THOUSANDS OF GOLD AND SILVER." "I rejoice at Thy Word as one that findeth great spoil."

THIS IS the testimony of one who had made a study of the Word of God, and whose heart being right with God was able to discover wondrous things out of the law of God.

What a transformation would take place in this world if the sons of men had the same mind as the Psalmist had!

LET OUR readers reflect for a moment on the statement which we have just quoted:

"The law of Thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver."

Would to God that men would say the same thing to-day! Then something would be done in the service of God and of humanity.

ZION, LET us praise God for His wonderful Word, let us thank Him for the wonderful treasures in His great Storehouse.

ZION should have the spirit of gratitude and praise every day, for God has dealt wondrously with us; and we would, indeed, be wretched ingrates if we did not praise our God.

"SEVEN TIMES a day," said the Psalmist, "do I praise Thee." If some people thank God once a day, they think they have done very well. We should have the spirit of praise and appreciation all the time, and I believe we ought, like Daniel of olden time, to pray to God at least three times a day—morning, noon and night.

FROM HIM comes our salvation, and from Him comes our strength.

David was a man who loved God. He trusted not in the arm of flesh, nor in princes, but in God; and his devotion and loyalty brought into his life much blessing and victory over the forces of darkness.

WE HAVE a wonderful song of his in Second Samuel, the 22d chapter. He had been delivered by the power of God out of the hand of Saul who had pursued him so mercilessly and endeavored, time and again, to take his life.

David remembered the victory God gave him when he faced the great giant, Goliath. The little stone in his hand with his sling, and with God on his side, was sufficient to overcome even the giant of strength.

He had been delivered also from four other giants. No wonder that he sang, "He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, my refuge, my Savior."

NOTHING IS too hard for God! The man of God shall be lifted up on high, even above them that rise up against him.

"THE NAME OF THE LORD IS A STRONG TOWER; the righteous runneth into it and is safe." Let us therefore call on the Lord Who is worthy to be praised.

THERE WAS a time when it was hard, as in the case of the captives of Israel, to sing and to be joyful; but today we hear the Voice of our God saying: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning; if I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy."

GOD PERMITS persecution to come to His people, for sometimes it seems we cannot learn our lessons except through persecution.

It is written: "It is good for me that I have been afflicted that I might learn Thy statutes," and again, "Before I was afflicted I went astray."

But now we can say, "Thou hast delivered my soul from death; mine eyes from tears; and my feet from falling."

ZION, WHAT then shall I, shall you—what should all of us render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward us?

The answer is right at hand. Let it be the answer of all in ZION: "I will take the cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord: I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people."

THIS WAS Jonah's conclusion after his time of testing, for he said: "I will sacrifice unto Thee with the voice of thanksgiving, *I will pay that that I have vowed.*"

WE HAVE made our vows. Let us pay that which we have vowed. Let not our promises be broken, else how shall we be able to sing the song of Salvation and true Christian joy?

WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT!
Let every ZION man and woman ask himself and herself, "*What has God done for me?*"

Count your blessings, and then can you not praise your God?

What has God wrought! Let ZION, as a people, answer.

WHEN THEY sing, let them sing with the power of God!
ZION thanks God for her beautiful Choir in Shiloh Tabernacle, for the Orchestra and the Band. They have all done well and been a great blessing. By the grace of God, they will be a greater blessing.

WE MUST become more and more a joyful people. By steadfastness in the principles which God has given to us, and which are as eternal as God Himself, the favors of God, more and more, will come our way, and so shall our joy be increased.

HE WILL not suffer our foot to be moved. He Who is faithful never slumbers nor sleeps. He will preserve our going out and our coming in.

The glorious mountains remind us of the *towering strength* of our God.

WHEN DEBORAH and Barak sang their song of victory, there were those who were able to sing with them and take a share in the honors. But there were others who, whilst they had great resolves, did not put their resolves into action when the time of testing came.

WHEN THE final stroke is made for the redemption of this City, great will be the shout from the ranks of God's Israel.

My reader, will you, will I, be in the ranks then?

This brings another question: *Where are you today?*

"AND THEY SANG a new song."

It was the song of the redeemed ones!

"For the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to ZION with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads."

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

We are very grateful to God to be able to announce that the work of organizing Zion Educational Institutions is progressing very satisfactorily.

We are now presenting, in this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING, the courses of study for the Junior Schools and the Preparatory Department of Zion College.

These schools, in many respects, will be unlike any other schools in the world. The children and young people will be safeguarded, in every way, against the darts of the devil.

The doors of Zion Educational Institutions will always be open for God, for Jesus the Christ, for the Holy Spirit, and for the Bible. The Bible will be the principal text-book, and will have first place.

The finished product of Zion Educational Institutions must, and will be, a Christian; not an educated animal.

God has made it very clear to us that we should reestablish Zion Schools, and we are going forward with faith in Him.

As already announced, the plan—and it is truly in accordance with the principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools; this assessment to be made on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each and every one.

The assessment, when made, will cover a period of twelve months, and the assessment may be paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly in advance, or semi-annually in advance.

That the people are thinking and praying, and are interested in Zion Schools, is shown by the following report:

CASH:

No. 1.....	\$ 5.00
No. 2.....	20.00
No. 3.....	5.00
No. 4.....	10.00
No. 5.....	5.00
No. 6.....	5.00
No. 7.....	10.00
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No. 47.....	5.00
No. 48.....	5.06
No. 49.....	3.00
No. 50.....	10.00

PLEDGES:

No. 1.....	\$100.00
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INVESTMENTS TRANSFERRED TO ZION SCHOOLS:

No. 1.....	\$ 6.46
No. 2.....	12.15
No. 3.....	39.93
No. 4.....	148.69

LETTERS RECEIVED

- August 10, 1916
Enclosed please find \$5 for Zion Schools.
- August 10, 1916.
Enclosed find \$5 for the Zion Schools. You can also count upon us subscribing to \$20 assessment annually for the Zion Schools.
- August 6, 1916.
Enclosed is \$10 for Zion Schools.
- August 12, 1916.
Enclosed please find my check for \$5, which I gladly send you for the Zion Schools.
Ever since we knew you were going to have our own schools, we have been asking God to let us have some little part in helping to start them.
We rejoice that God has shown you to start them, and we are sure He will give you the means to carry them through.
- August 12, 1916.
Herewith find check for \$20 for Zion Schools.
- August 6, 1916.
I am glad the Zion Schools are to be opened again, and as a mark of my appreciation I am enclosing \$5 to help in the good work.
- Under date of August 7, 1916, a check for \$200 was received for Zion Schools.
- August 6, 1916.
Here is \$5 toward Zion Schools.
- August 6, 1916.
I herewith enclose my check for \$10 for the promotion of Zion Schools. May God bless you and all Zion everywhere, is my earnest prayer.
- August 15, 1916.
I enclose herewith check for \$25 for Zion Schools, and it is my intention to send another check for the same amount some time in January, 1917.
No one in Zion could be more thankful for Zion Schools than I am, and I am positive there will be no trouble about getting the money for their support.
- August 16, 1916.
Enclosed find \$10 offering for Zion Schools.
- Zion Schools—Kindergarten, Junior Schools, and Preparatory Department of Zion College—will have, in addition to the Principal, a teaching staff of twenty-four.
We thank, most sincerely in the Name of the Lord, all of the brothers and sisters who have voluntarily contributed for the support of Zion Schools, and earnestly pray that God will richly bless and reward them.
We earnestly pray that all Zion everywhere will see that God is guiding, and that there should be unbounded enthusiasm for the training of the children, youths and maidens in Zion.
Faithfully in Jesus' Name,
—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

ZION JUNIOR SCHOOLS

Primary Division

FIRST YEAR—

Bible	Music
Reading	Art
Numbers	
Handwork	

SECOND YEAR—

Bible	Music
Reading	Art
Numbers	
Handwork	
Spelling	
Writing	

THIRD YEAR—

Bible	Music
Reading	Art
Arithmetic	
Language	
Spelling	
Writing	

FOURTH YEAR—

Bible	Music
Reading	Art
Arithmetic	
Geography	
Language	
Spelling	
Writing	

Departmental Division

FIFTH YEAR—

Bible	Music
History and	Art
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	
Language	
Spelling	
Writing	

SIXTH YEAR—

Bible	Music
History and	Art
Reading	Right Living
Arithmetic	
Geography	
Language	
Spelling	
Writing	

SEVENTH YEAR—

Bible and	Music
Zion Literature	Art
History and	Right Living
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Grammar	
Geography	
Spelling	
Writing	

EIGHTH YEAR—

Bible and	Music
Zion History	Art
Arithmetic	Sewing and
History and	Construction work
Literature	
Grammar and	
Composition	
Geography	
Spelling	
Writing	

Course of Study Zion Preparatory College

FIRST YEAR

Bible	Bible
Algebra 5	Algebra 5
English 5	English 5
Latin 5	Latin 5
Botany 3	Botany 3

SECOND YEAR

Bible	Bible
Geometry 5	Geometry 5
English 5	English 5
Latin 5	Latin 5
Practical Law 3	Bookkeeping 3

THIRD YEAR

Bible and	Bible and
Zion Literature	Zion Literature
Ancient History 5	Medieval History 5
English 5	English 5
Caesar 5	Caesar 5
Practical Law 3	Bookkeeping 3

FOURTH YEAR

Bible and	Bible and
Zion Literature	Zion Literature
Modern History 3	American History 3
English 5	English 5
Physics 5	Physics 5
Civil Government 5	Arithmetic 5

NOTE: Domestic Science, Art, Manual Training, and Music offered in each year.
Owing to Miss Stark's absence German will not be offered until next year.

THE CROWN

Report of an Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, March 14, 1915, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

(Reported by G. L. Marshall)

PROCESSIONAL by ZION White-robed Choir: "O ZION HASTE, THY MISSION HIGH FULFILLING."

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
To tell to all the world that God is Light;
That He Who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

REFRAIN:—
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace,
Tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

Behold how many thousands still are lying
Bound in the darksome prison-house of sin.
With none to tell them of the Savior's dying,
Or of the life He died for them to win.

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
That God, in Whom they live and move, is Love:
Tell how He stooped to save His lost creation,
And died on earth that man might live above.

Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
Pour out thy soul for them in pray'r victorious;
And all thou spendest Jesus will repay.

He comes again: O Zion, ere thou meet Him,
Make known to every heart His saving grace:
Let none whom He hath ransomed fail to greet Him,
Thro' thy neglect, unfit to see His face.

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:

God be merciful unto us and bless us, And cause His Face to shine upon us; that Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy Saving Health among all the nations. For the sake of Jesus; Amen.

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let us sing hymn No. 619—"CROWN HIM."

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious
See the "Man of Sorrows" now;
From the fight return'd victorious,
Ev'ry knee to Him shall bow.

REFRAIN:—
Crown Him, crown Him, angels crown Him,
Crown the Savior "King of kings;"

Crown the Savior, angels, crown Him
Rich the trophies Jesus brings:
In the seat of pow'r enthrone Him,
While the vault of heaven rings.

Sinners in derision crown'd Him;
Mocking thus the Savior's claim;
Saints and angels crowd around Him,
Own His title, praise His Name.

Hark! the bursts of acclamation!
Hark! these loud triumphant cords;
Jesus takes the highest station,
Oh, what joy the sight affords.

SCRIPTURE READING

APOSTLE CAREY: I will read from the Inspired Word of God, in the First Epistle of Paul to the Corinthians, the First chapter:

Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother,

Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;
That in every thing ye are enriched by Him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge;

Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:
So that ye come behind in no gifts; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God is faithful, by Whom ye were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.

Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;

Lest any should say that I baptized in mine own name. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas; besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.

For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

FOR THE PREACHING OF THE CROSS IS TO THEM THAT PERISH, FOOLISHNESS; BUT UNTO US WHO ARE SAVED, IT IS THE POWER OF GOD.

For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: BUT WE PREACH CHRIST CRUCIFIED, unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

But unto them who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called:

BUT GOD HATH CHOSEN THE FOOLISH THINGS OF THE WORLD TO CONFOUND THE WISE: AND GOD HATH CHOSEN THE WEAK THINGS OF THE WORLD TO CONFOUND THE THINGS WHICH ARE MIGHTY;

And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

That no flesh should glory in His presence. But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, Who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

That, according as it is written, HE THAT GLORIETH, LET HIM GLORY IN THE LORD.

May God add His blessing!

The ZION Senior White-robed Choir rendered the anthem—"HOW LOVELY ARE THE MESSENGERS," by Mendelssohn.

GENERAL OVERSEER: All bow in silent prayer.

My brothers and sisters, we are assembled here in the Name of Jesus. We are weak and needy creatures, and now God gives us the glorious privilege of drawing nigh to Him in earnest prayer. Pray for yourselves! Pray for your loved ones! Pray for the whole world! Pray that God will make this service a feast unto your spirits. (With heads bowed in prayer, the congregation joined in singing the hymn—"CLOSE TO THEE.")

Thou my everlasting portion.
More than friend or life to me.
All along my pilgrim journey,
Savior, let me walk with Thee.

REFRAIN:—
Close to Thee, Close to Thee;
All along my pilgrim journey,
Savior, let me walk with Thee.

Not for ease or worldly pleasure,
Nor for fame my prayer shall be;
Gladly will I toil and suffer,
Only let me walk with Thee.

Lead me thro' the vale of shadows,
Bear me o'er life's fitful sea:
Then the gate of life eternal,
May I enter, Lord with Thee.

GENERAL OVERSEER: All bow in prayer.

Our Kind Heavenly Father, we recognize and realize that through Thy loving-kindness and tender watch-care we are permitted once more to assemble ourselves in Thy presence to worship Thee in spirit and in truth.

We pray that Thou wilt accept our heartfelt gratitude for Thy loving care, for the guidance of Thy Word and Holy Spirit; for Thy great love, and for the joy in our hearts; for the peace that passeth all understanding—guarding our minds and hearts in Christ Jesus.

We thank Thee that Thou art the Giver of every good and perfect gift; that Thou canst not be tempted with evil, neither dost Thou tempt with evil any man.

We thank Thee that Thou dost never change; that there is with Thee no variableness nor shadow of turning—Thou art ever the same. This afternoon in Shiloh Tabernacle, in this the Twentieth Century of the Christian Era, it is our privilege to bow before the God to Whom Moses prayed, to whom Daniel went; the Great God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and the patriarchs and prophets and apostles. O God, Thou art ever the same; Thou hast never changed, Thy promises are sure.

We come unto Thee with full assurance in our hearts that Thou wilt receive us; that Thou wilt accept our worship; that Thou wilt hear us as we pray in accordance with Thy will, and in our spirits and lives submit ourselves unto Thee.

We thank Thee for the revelation of Thyself unto the children of men. We thank Thee for the glimpses Thou hast given us of the future. We thank Thee, O God, for all blessings, both temporal and spiritual, which Thou hast bestowed upon us from the earliest moment of our lives down to the present time.

O God, We pray that Thou wilt accept our gratitude for Jesus the Christ and for the Holy Spirit, and hear our prayer that we may be more Christlike; that we may be truly obedient; that the Holy Spirit may be given unto us; and that through the resurrection of Jesus the Christ from the dead there may, in deed and in truth, be within our spirits a lively hope, and, having this hope, may we purify ourselves even as He is pure.

We pray, Thee, our God and Father, to accept the praise and the thanksgiving of this congregation; to hear now our earnest petitions; to bless us who profess to love Thy Name, to quicken us, and to make us what we ought to be—in spirit, in soul and in body.

Hear us for any in this congregation who are unsaved, who as yet have not given their hearts to God. Hear us for the sick, and for all for whom we should pray—for all who have made requests, and for all for whom requests have been made. Even as Thou hast loved all the world, and as Jesus has tasted death for every man, so, having His Spirit, our hearts go out in loving sympathy to all mankind; and as time permits, and as much as in us lies, we desire to help our fellow men to God. Therefore, we pray for all mankind, and while the Lord tarries may we be faithful in preaching the Everlasting Gospel; and may many, O God, be won from darkness to Light and in Jesus the Christ find salvation for spirit, for soul and for body.

We pray that Thou wilt bless the officers and the members and the children of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion this day, with every needed blessing. We pray, O God, that Thou wilt take us all into a sacred nearness with Thyself, and, as we are living in perilous times, we pray Thee to watch over us, to guard us, to protect us from all the darts of the enemy; and wilt Thou fit and prepare us for the coming of Jesus the Christ, our Lord and King.

We pray Thee to bless Zion City with every needed blessing. We pray that Thou wilt guide us, and that Thou wilt crown our efforts with success; that Thou wilt help us to be true and steadfast and faithful.

Hear us, O God, we beseech Thee, for Zion everywhere; for the isolated member standing, as many are, alone, in the midst of a wicked and perverse generation, holding up the banner of Thy Kingdom. Sustain all such this day, and bless them and make them a blessing.

Hear us, Our Father, in this our earnest petition, and bless us as we further wait before Thee; in the Name of Jesus, Who in the days of His flesh taught us to pray, saying: (All joined in chanting the Lord's Prayer.)

Following the Offertory, by Dr. Hyland Em. Wilson, the General Overseer made the usual announcements for the week, after which the SENIOR CHOIR rendered the selection, "FAR FROM THEIR HOME," by Woodward.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all give attention to the reading of the following selection of Scripture, which will bring out, in the three expressions—the "crown of righteousness," the "crown of life," the "crown of glory"—one and the same thought; each expression, of course, being purely figurative.

The Savior, in His teaching, made use of the commonest and simplest objects around Him. This you will see in studying the parables; and in the very same way that He made use of the vine, the grain of mustard seed, the leaven, the dragnet, the sower who went forth to sow, and so on,—in the same way He made use of the word "cross" and the word "crown."

The Word "Cross" Made by Jesus the Sweetest and Most Precious of Words

I have already, at considerable length, shown you how the word "cross" was one of the most despised, the most hated, and the most loathsome words known by the people when Christ came to fulfill His mission; and how the Savior took that hated and loathsome word and surrounded it with a halo of glory, and made it to you, as you very well know, the sweetest and most precious word that you know; as indeed it is to all Christians.

There is no word in the English language more precious and more significant to you than the word "cross." It is even sweeter and more far-reaching in its meaning than the word "mother," or "home," for it stands for the life, the teaching, the suffering, of THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD.

We are not to think (except as it is necessary) of the material post, or tree, as it is called, upon which Jesus was crucified; but we are to think of what it stands for; and it is in the figurative sense that we have studied the word "cross," and it means to you and to me, and signifies to you and to me any self-denial, any self-sacrifice, any persecution, any suffering for Christ's sake.

Now, that is what the Cross means; and I trust that *taking up the cross and following Jesus* is perfectly plain to all.

I mentioned here a few years ago the hymn, "JESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN," and gave you in a few words, the story of how it came to be written.

The young lady who wrote that hymn, in deed and in truth took up her cross—which was this: Having been forbidden by her parents to accept Christ or to believe in Him, she chose to accept Him and to believe in Him: and she was ordered out of her home. In choosing Christ and rejecting her parents she took up the cross and followed Jesus.

True Discipleship Means Forsaking All Things to Follow Jesus

And so we know something of what it means to follow Jesus. The Savior said,—and I have read it to you a number of times—"Whosoever he be of you that FORSAKETH NOT ALL THAT HE HATH, HE CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE." In other words, if a man permits ANYTHING—I do not care who it is, what it is, where it is—to stand between him and Christ, between him and his duty to God, that man cannot be Christ's disciple.

Now, sometimes it is one thing, sometimes it is another. In the case of the young man who came to Jesus and asked, "Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?"—the one thing that stood between him and God was his possessions. That may be true of some here. Whatever it is, if you allow anybody or anything to keep you from serving God, from answering the call of God, from rendering your full duty to God, you cannot be His disciple.

When a man comes up against something that stands between him and Christ, then it is that he must PUT CHRIST FIRST; and if he does not do it, he refuses to take the cross—and, of course, refuses to follow Jesus.

I gave you the history of the word "cross"—an extensive history; the history of the word "crown" would be just as interesting, but I will put it very briefly.

The Origin of Word "Crown" Traced to Times of Antiquity

You find the word "crown" in the Old Testament a number of times, because you have a great deal to do with kings there; and crowns are mentioned in connection with the history of the kings of Judah and Israel.

First of all, I will tell you how the crown originated. Away back yonder, nobody knows just how far back, among certain

people, they wore long hair, and in order to keep their hair from falling down over their eyes, they began to wear a simple headband to keep the hair up.

After a time the leader, whatever he was called, ultimately a king, adopted a headband of a different color. Then a little later this band was called a diadem, and was made into raised work. Later it was wrought out in gold; and then finally they kept extending it and altering it until the diadem was developed into the crown; and among certain peoples it was adopted exclusively for sovereigns.

Now, it is a long story and it is an interesting story; but this is enough to give you an intelligent idea of how the crown originated.

At first crowns were not worn exclusively by kings; they were worn by everybody. Finally they were worn exclusively by kings.

The crown of a king represents the dignity and power belonging to the position to which he has arisen by years of toil, close application, or devotion to his countrymen. That is not always true; it is not true of some kings today—but, generally speaking, that is what the crown of a king stands for. Of course, when a man has the crown placed upon his head, making him king of a great country, he looks upon it as a great honor; and it is considered the highest honor that can be given to any person in the entire kingdom.

In the New Testament, the first mention of the word "crown" is in reference to the "crown of thorns," platted by the cruel persecutors of Jesus, and pressed upon His brow in mockery.

The Crown of Thorns Replaced with the Crown of Righteousness

My brothers and sisters in Christ, I believe—in fact I know, from the plain Word of God, that no individual will ever have placed upon his head, by the hands of Almighty God, the crown of righteousness, the crown of glory, the crown of life,—until he has had a crown of thorns pressed upon his brow by the cruel persecutors of the world. The brow that never bore and that never wore the crown of thorns, will never wear the crown of righteousness, the crown of glory, the crown of life; and it is impossible to be a Christian without the world pressing a crown of thorns upon your brow, and they will sink the thorns into the flesh until the blood flows down over your cheeks.

The Apostle Paul, in his epistles, refers oftentimes to the Olympic games and to the Isthmian games. He likens the Christian life to a race; he likens it to a prize fight. He has in mind the glorious days of Greece, when parents aspired for their sons to win crowns of leaves in the great Olympic or Isthmian games.

From all over Greece the people came; the great stadium was crowded to the uttermost with spectators—friends and enemies of the various contestants.

Before the day of contest every aspirant had to show that he had been in training. For ten months he had to live on spare food; he had to deny himself of every luxury; he had to endure the greatest hardships in the way of training before he could enter as a contestant. He laid aside every weight—all superfluous clothing, every ounce of superfluous flesh, so that he might not be hindered.

Paul says, referring to these games: "They do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an INCORRUPTIBLE."

The Christian Inspired by a Cloud of Invisible Witnesses

In the 12th chapter of Hebrews is an allusion to these Olympic games, to these contests, and he says: "Wherefore seeing we also are surrounded with so great a CLOUD OF WITNESSES,"—Just as they were surrounded by the tens of thousands in the Greek stadium, who were there to witness the contest, we are surrounded by the hosts of faith and, for aught I know, by all the saints in Heaven, who are looking down upon us this afternoon and watching us in this great race—which, as I have told you, starts at the foot of the cross, and continues to the milestone, the grave.

And so when Paul comes to the close of his life, languishing in a Roman prison, forsaken by everybody,—one cannot read that without tears: "Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world,"—left alone, chained to a guard, a chain around his wrist and the other end around the wrist of a guard,—ah, he knew very well it was a matter of a very short time until they were going to KILL him; and there is nothing more sublime in all the Bible than to see the mightiest of all the apostles round out

his career languishing in a Roman prison, shackled to a guard, writing to Timothy because he wanted his work continued.

Paul could not bear to think of the work he had done ceasing. He was not bothered about his own departure; he was ready to depart—and so are you and so am I if we love the Lord Jesus Christ; and if we love Jesus the Christ we love His appearing. It is *sinners* who do not want the Christ to come.

Paul says, "The time of my departure is at hand." I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, there is a thought there—"THE TIME OF MY DEPARTURE IS AT HAND." The Wise Man said, did he not? "To every thing there is a season. . . . A time to be born, and a time to die—" Your time is coming; with some of you sitting here it is not very far off.

"—THE TIME OF MY DEPARTURE IS AT HAND." There is a very beautiful thought there. In the Greek, the word that is used for *departure*, is the word that is used for weighing the anchor of a ship.

"—THE TIME OF MY DEPARTURE IS AT HAND. I have fought a good fight. These Greeks have been contesting in physical encounters, and they have won crowns made out of leaves, and their parents have been very proud of them; and they have carried their crowns back home with them and they have been put on exhibition. They have fought a fight, but I have fought a good fight."

Now you know, a fight is about the last thing some people want. They say, "Voliva is always fighting!" Yes, and I always expect to fight as long as God gives me breath—fight sin, unrighteousness and wickedness! I always expect to fight! I do not know what Jesus the Christ gave me an armor for, if not to fight in. I do not know what business a man has going around wearing an armor and never fighting!

Fighting the Good Fight of Faith

Paul says, "I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED MY COURSE, I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH."

My brothers and sisters, let me repeat this to you again: "FOR I AM ALREADY BEING OFFERED"—"*I am already being poured out*,"—think of that! a man sitting there in a prison cell, chained to a guard, and a long time ago he started as an offering in the cause of Christ, and now he knows that already the last act of the sacrifice is begun—"FOR I AM ALREADY BEING OFFERED (poured out), AND THE TIME OF MY DEPARTURE IS AT HAND. I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT."

My brothers and sisters, let me give you one point here: I say that a man or woman who does not believe in Divine Healing does not believe the Bible!

Do you hear that?

I say that many people may be in ignorance, just as you once were, but I say this: that in the light of the ministry of John Alexander Dowie, men and women who have had that light, who do not believe in Divine Healing, they do not believe the Bible; and when they turn to doctors and knives they trample the blood of Christ underneath their feet. I say emphatically, that if I did not believe in Divine Healing, I would burn that Bible before six o'clock tonight!

Now, what does it mean to KEEP THE FAITH?

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Ah, you do not want to be tried! You do not want any tests! You do not want any trials! You are ready to run when the first little whiff of wind hits you, and you will never be gold tried in the fire!

What is this here?

BLESSED IS THE MAN THAT ENDURETH TEMPTATION (or trial): for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him." (James 1:12)

Now then, oh, how scared you are that you are going to die without a doctor! Oh, how worried you are! The relatives come around and say, "Let us get a doctor! Let us call in a doctor!" And you begin to think, "Oh, what will my son John say if I should die without a doctor?" and so on.

Let me tell you, if you are going to KEEP THE FAITH you will die WITHOUT A DOCTOR! But if you are going to deny your God and turn your back on Jesus the Christ and play the coward when trial comes, why, then you will turn to the arm of flesh!

The Christian Life the Only Right Life to Live

Ah, men and women who are going to *keep the faith*, they are FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH and, WHETHER LIVING OR DYING, serve God!

Is there any other life that is worth bothering with? You tell me that a life lived for God is a life in vain, and I say then I want to be snuffed out of existence! I do not care to live another minute!

You say, "I do! I want to live to chew and smoke tobacco, and to go to Waukegan occasionally and get a glass of beer!" And some little lady says, "I want to live to go to moving-picture shows, and to go to dances.")

Well, I do not! If I cannot live to serve my God, I do not want to live at all! I have no desire to join company with a hog, and to live the same life a hog lives; and a life that is not lived for God is nothing but a hog's life. All a lot of people are doing, is—they eat, and so does a hog; they drink swill, and so does a hog; they sleep, and so does a hog; they grunt and groan, and so does a hog; and they die, and so does a hog.

Men and women who live in the flesh, they live the life of a hog. I do not care to live that kind of a life! And there are a lot of people just like hogs—if anything the hogs were a little the better looking.

Christ said to them, "Ye are of your father THE DEVIL," did He not? So the devil was their father. Now, he is a nice chap to have for a father, is he not?

Is he your father?

"Ye are of your father the devil." Christ said to them; and there is nothing remarkable that a child should look like his father, is there?

Nothing at all!

Christ said, when He reached the close of His life, "I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do, Father."

What about you?

Paul said, when he came to the close of his life, "I have KEPT THE FAITH."

What about you?

Have you denied the faith?

Some have denied the faith!

Some have denied Jesus the Christ!

Do you think there is no *Day of Judgment for them*?

Ah, they will find out some day! I would not be in their shoes for a deed to the State of Illinois, let alone for ZION CITY. They have denied the Lord that bought them! They have crucified the Christ afresh! They have driven the spikes through His hands and into His feet, and stuck the spear in His side! They have trampled His blood underneath their feet!

Oh, what a terrible thing!

Not the Beginning but the Ending of the Christian's Life Decides his Faithfulness

Paul could say, "I have *finished* my course."

Perhaps you were brought up in one of these old apostate churches that teach the damnable lie—"once in Christ, always in Christ." You will find saloon-keepers who believe that; and the lowest-down vagabonds believe it.

Once in Christ, always in Christ! It is an INFERNAL LIE! There are people who started in the race, but they did not run three days until they jumped out.

How many of you are in the race-track this afternoon?

How many?

How many once started and have jumped out?

Only those who KEEP IN THE RACE-COURSE, only those who CONTINUE TO THE GOAL, will receive the CROWN OF LIFE! They are the only ones!

The CROWN OF LIFE!

Paul says, "HENCEFORTH—" isn't that a wonderful way for a man to write, sitting in a prison cell, expecting in a few days to be put to death? He did not know whether they were going to cut off his head, or throw him to the wild beasts, or what! But he knew they were going to put him to death, all right, and he sits there and writes: "I am already being offered and the time of my departure is at hand. 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," hanging up there somewhere already woven—like the judges of the Olympic games, who had a room there with the crowns, already woven out of leaves, hanging all around.

And so Paul, from his prison cell, looks up yonder to Heaven, and he sees the crowns hanging there already woven by the Great Judge of all men; and he says, "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 WHO LOVE HIS APPEARING."

Oh, is not that wonderful!

The "CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS!"

The Crown of Righteousness Embodies a Life of Righteousness

You know, that is figurative. Paul knew that when he got to Heaven the Great Judge of all men would know every holy thought he had ever had; every kind word he had ever spoken; every loving deed he had ever wrought; every time he had outstretched his hand to the poor, the suffering and the needy; every step he had taken to rescue the perishing; every time he had visited the widows and orphans; every time he had done a kind deed,—and into that beautiful crown every thought, every word, every loving act, would be woven; and God would say to him, "Thou art righteous," and he would go on and on through all Eternity, shining more and more, becoming more and more like God Himself.

The CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS!

The CROWN OF LIFE!

The CROWN OF GLORY!

Why, you do not begin to live here! Think of it, you say, "Well, Mother King is in her ninety-eighth year; Father Duncan is eighty-three or eighty-four; and Mother Whiteman is in her ninety-second year." Yes, and that is longer, probably, than most of us will live; but what is ninety-seven years, when over there is a never ending ETERNITY!

What fools people are to barter away, forfeit, all Eternity for a few fleeting years here of gluttony and indulgence of the baser passions! And then at the end of the brief period,—which is like a meteor flashing across the sky; or, as God Himself says, it is like a flower that shines forth in its glory in the morning, and then the sun rises and scorches it and it dies; or it is like a blade of grass; or a tale that is told!

Think of the fool who will barter away Heaven, with all its eternal joys and pleasures, for a few brief years of a life of a hog here, that will end up in hell!

What a fool a man is who plays with fire, and particularly with unquenchable fire! What a fool a man is who plays with a sword, especially a two-edged sword that cuts to the very joint and marrow! What a fool a man is who plays over a pit, especially the bottomless pit of hell! But that is what the multitudes are doing today! Oh, what *fools* people are!—that does not begin to express it.

The Crown of Righteousness!

The Crown of Glory!

The Crown of Life!

Everyone to Heed the Admonition to:—"Beware lest Another Take your Crown"

The next exhortation to which I wish to call your attention, is that solemn one in the last book of the Bible. Hear the voice of the Eternal God, as it rings down through the ages, saying to you and to me: "Beware, Beware, lest another take your crown!"

As you sit here this afternoon, up yonder is a crown for every one who sits here; but "Beware, beware," God says, "lest ANOTHER TAKE YOUR CROWN!"

Ah, foolish man, foolish woman, to become enamored with the things of this life—the things of time and sense—and allow your eternal interests to be destroyed, and the crown that is hanging yonder for you, in that Great Day, to be given to another, because you failed in the race!

The CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, the CROWN OF GLORY, the CROWN OF LIFE!

Beware, lest another take your crown!

My brothers and sisters, here are two of the most important words in the Gospels and the Epistles—"Cross" and "Crown."

May God, by the Holy Spirit's power, burn into your hearts this afternoon this truth: You may sit here and turn your eyes

up yonder and see the CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, — oh, how beautiful it is! How you would like to have it!—but you will never get it unless you BEAR THE CROSS, and bear it FAITHFULLY, and deny yourself and follow Jesus!

Earth the Place to Bear the Cross, Heaven to Receive the Crown

Let me impress upon your minds also, that there is no place HERE for the crown! Earth is the place for the toil; Heaven is the place where you receive the reward. Earth is the place to bear the cross, it is no place to wear the crown—up yonder is where you receive and wear the crown.

Jesus did not wear any crown here, except a crown of THORNS; and, as I told you, you will never receive the *crown of righteousness*, you will never receive the *crown of glory* nor the *crown of life*, unless you wear the crown of thorns here.

Woe unto you when all men speak well of you!

There stands a coffin, and there lies the form of a man. In his address the minister says, "Our beloved brother died without an enemy!"

If I thought this afternoon that any man would ever stand at the foot of my coffin, and could say, truthfully, "Wilbur Glenn Voliva died without an enemy," I would know this afternoon that I would be going to *hell*!

A man who dies without an enemy is not a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ! It is an impossibility to live the Christian life and not have enemies! There is not a young man, there is not a young woman, there is not a person here, who can stand for God and Righteousness and not have enemies.

It means something to be a *Christian*. Oh, what joys there are to which the world is a stranger! And I am sorry to say the rank and file of church members are strangers to them, too. The rank and file of church members in this country do not know a bit more about the RELIGION OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST than a six months' old babe knows about Egyptian hieroglyphics!

Ah, if I were in their place I would be ashamed to sit in a rocking-chair, I would be ashamed to recline upon a downy couch surrounded by damask curtains, I would be ashamed to float along on flowery beds of ease, I would be ashamed to call myself a disciple of Jesus of Nazareth; for I would expect, in the Great Day, that God would say to me: "You had an easy time down yonder, you did not know what it was to suffer—DEPART FROM ME! I do not know you!"

"IF WE SUFFER, WE SHALL ALSO REIGN WITH HIM."

Now, are you following Jesus?

I put the question straight to you: ARE YOU FOLLOWING JESUS?

"Oh, I expect to follow Him up yonder?"

You cannot do it unless you follow Him HERE!

"I expect to follow Him triumphant."

Necessary to Follow the Christ in Humiliation, before Seeing His Glory

You cannot do it unless you follow Him humiliated, despised, rejected, CRUCIFIED! It is an utter impossibility! You may just as well say, "I expect to reap a great harvest of wheat," when you never plowed a furrow nor sowed a grain. You will never do it! It is perfectly plain, is it not?

You know, when Jesus preached, some of the people who were there, eager to be His followers, never followed Him any more. They were like some, who belonged to ZION at one time; they heard me in this Tabernacle in that series of sermons on "THE KINGDOM," and they never supported me afterwards. I am thankful to God they never did; they went to their own place.

Now, that young man mentioned in the Bible is a fair representative of a lot of those fellows in Philadelphia.

"Master, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest" — I will go up and shake hands with "Billy" Sunday and have my name enrolled as a convert.

Yes! But suppose "Billy" Sunday were to say, "Look here, my friend! Jesus the Christ gave up Heaven to become a slave. He suffered INDESCRIBABLE suffering. He was scourged, they spit in His face, they beat Him over the head with a reed, they put a scarlet robe on Him, and they spiked Him to the cross. Are you prepared to deny yourself every day? Are you prepared to take up the cross, and follow Jesus no matter what anybody says? Are you prepared to renounce the world — no longer to be a friend of the world?"—why, if he were to say that I

will guarantee that ninety-nine out of every hundred of his so-called converts would beat hasty tracks down town!

The Savior looked at this young fellow, and He said, "Look here, young man, (This is a wonderful thing — very remarkable!) 'the foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests: but THE SON OF MAN HATH NOT WHERE TO LAY HIS HEAD. Now, do you think you want to follow Me?' There is nothing further said there, is there? Not a word!"

Another one said, "I will follow You, but my father is dead and I must go back first and bury him." Christ said to him, "FOLLOW ME; and let the dead bury their dead."

Another one said, "I will follow you, but I have some uncles and aunts and cousins at my house, and I want to go back home and say good-bye to them." Jesus said to him, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

There is DISCIPLESHIP!

Are you ready to follow Jesus?

Modern Revivalists Make a Sham of the Christian Religion

Oh, look at many of the modern so-called revivalists!

Look at their tactics! Why, they would make a dog sick! It is what I call a "jumping jack" revival.

"Now, everybody shut their eyes. Everybody shut your eyes now! I see one fellow who has his eyes open! Now then, everybody's eyes shut? Anyone here who wants to be a Christian, stand up!"

Think of that!

What must God think of it? What must God think of that kind of business? It is nothing but a claptrap method of the devil!

I do not want you to shut your eyes! I want you to OPEN your eyes, and I want you to see the whole race-course — from the cross on Calvary up there, clear down here to the grave! I want you to see everything you have to go through all along the way! Then I ask you: My brother, my sister, ARE YOU PREPARED TO MAKE A START?

Are you?

That is the question!

There were a lot of people who started in ZION, were there not? Yes! And as far as they ever got was a little Divine Healing meeting. That is as far as they ever got! And if they had their way about it that is all that would ever be preached now.

"Oh," they say, "why do you want to keep talking to us about selling our farms to build a ZION CITY?"

Well, I want to tell you, if you are going to be a son and a daughter of THE KINGDOM, you are going to go the whole way, or you will never get in! You mark what I say!

There is no divided allegiance! No divided allegiance! No, sir, Christ is going to have it all!

Do you see that big crowd that is going to build a ZION CITY? Do you see them walking down the path on the 22nd of February, 1900? Do you see them going down there to build a ZION CITY? Do you see them walking along?

Where are they now?

The scoundrels, liars, and hypocrites! they never intended to build a ZION CITY!

What do you intend to do?

Do you intend to build one?

That is the question!

Well, I might go on for twenty minutes or an hour longer.

This is a wonderful subject—THE CROSS AND THE CROWN!

God will Call Everyone to Account for Every Word and Deed

Now then, when you get up yonder, before the Judge, and the Book is opened, how many pages do you think will be filled with accounts of the wonderful sacrifices you have made down here?

My brothers, my sisters, some of you do not even pay your tithes. Some of you have not religion enough yet to pay your tithes!

Ah, when you stand up yonder before the Great Judge, and they start questioning you,—“What did you ever do down there?” and you say, “Oh, I criticised the General Overseer,”—what do you think the Lord will say to you? Do you think He will give you a place in the beautiful palaces up there because you did that?

And to another one of you they will say, “What did you do?”

“Oh, I croaked like a frog. That is all I did. While others

were toiling and working and doing all they could, I was finding fault."

And to another one they will say, "What kind of an example did you set when they were working to build ZION CITY?"

"Oh, I told everybody they were going to fail, and everything was going to pieces. I preached that every day so as to help them build ZION CITY."

And again, "Well now, what did you ever do?"

"Why, I gave thirty-seven cents to send out ZION Literature."

You did? And you think you ought to have a great place in Heaven because you did that?

Well, I am going to try every day to think of all the questions they will ask me. It is one thing to sit here, and it is another thing to stand up yonder.

Oh, what glorious privileges you have!

Oh, what glorious opportunities you have!

Halfhearted Service and Sacrifices Not Acceptable to God

I will tell you, there are some in this Church who, if they are not careful, will never have the opportunity of hearing me preach another sermon!

"Why," you say, "am I going to die?"

No.

"What is the matter?"

I will not allow you to come here any more! I will refuse to break the Bread of Life.

I tell you, after I have done my duty, and more than my duty, and then the First of March comes, and I look out of my window and see a man or a woman coming down Elijah Avenue leading an old sheep, and Deacon DePew comes in, and says, "So-and-so is out here, and he has an offering."

"Well," I say, "What is it?"

He tells me, and I say, "Oh, I don't want to be bothered with him! Let him come in!"

He comes in, and he has an old sheep with both ears cut off, blind in both eyes, both hind legs broken, and the front legs crooked—and he says, "I have brought an offering to build ZION CITY."

What do you think of that?

I say, "Friend, what have you there?"

He says, "I don't know what it is."

Well, I don't either, and I doubt if the Lord does. It is what used to be a sheep.

I say, "How large a flock have you?"

"Oh, I have eleven hundred at home."

"You have? What are they?"

"They are merino-blooded stock."

"Why didn't you bring me one of them?"

"Oh, I couldn't afford that. This one I could not sell to the butchers, and I tried to give it to my neighbor, but he wouldn't have it, so I thought maybe I could turn it over to you for the Lord."

Conductor and Mrs. John D. Thomas then sang the hymn, entitled, "WILL THERE BE ANY STARS IN MY CROWN?"

I am thinking today of that beautiful land
I shall reach when the sun goeth down;
When thro' wonderful grace by my Savior I stand,
Will there be any stars in my crown?

CHORUS:—

Will there be any stars in my crown?
When at ev'ning the sun goeth down?
When I wake with the blest in the mansions of rest,
Will there be any stars in my crown?

In the strength of the Lord let me labor and pray,
Let me watch as a winner of souls;
That bright stars may be mine in the glorious day,
When His praise like the sea-billows rolls.

Oh, what joy it will be when His face I behold,
Living gems at His feet to lay down;
It would sweeten my bliss in the city of gold,
Should there be any stars in my crown.

The GENERAL OVERSEER offered the following prayer:

O God our Father in Heaven, we leave this service to Thee, earnestly praying that Thou wilt, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, touch every heart. And now as the Recessional is sung,

help all to be in silent prayer. O Father, be Thou very near, and let there be a true consecration made by every one here. For Jesus' sake, Amen.

RECESSIONAL—"ABIDE WITH ME!"

The GENERAL OVERSEER pronounced the following

BENEDICTION

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus the Christ, the Love of God the Father, and the Sweet Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you one and all, now and for evermore. Amen.

BAPTISMS

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, by Elder Silas Moot, on July 12th, 1916:

Atkins, Elmer	Ohio
Boyd, Mrs. Ida	Alabama
Boyd, Leo	Alabama
Brooks, Henry M.	Illinois
Carey, Wesley Gordon ..	Illinois
Davis, Mrs. Artlisa	Alabama
Elofson, Mrs. Emma	Illinois
Favell, Mrs. Carrie B.	Wisconsin
Gadd, Mrs. Nellie Mae	Wisconsin
Hamm, Mrs. J.	Wisconsin
Harkness, Elizabeth	Illinois
Johnson, Arthur	Minnesota
Johnson, Martha E.	Illinois
Marquardt, Henry A.	Indiana
McClain, Paul	Ohio
Morton, Annie M.	Sask., Canada
Nero, Mrs. Clara J.	Illinois
Rauch, Mrs. Catherine	Indiana
Reprogle, Henry D.	Illinois
Smith, Hazel M.	Illinois
Smith, Lois Elvira	Illinois
Stouffer, Mrs. Emma	Iowa
Stow, Gladys	Illinois
Stow, Purdy	Illinois
Uhlik, Evelyn	Illinois
Wagar, Mrs. Sarah Viola	Michigan
Wehrmann, Rosa M.	Missouri
West, Amos L.	Illinois
Winterbottom, Beulah	Illinois
Winterbottom, Rhena	Illinois

On July 17th, 1916:

Easton, Wellington P.	Ontario, Canada
Gruman, Hubert A.	Indiana
Gruman, Henry R.	Indiana
Kern, Mrs. Nora	Missouri
Tuttle, Bernice	Illinois
Total 35.	

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," in Central ZION Tabernacle, 2535 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by Evangelist V. B. Shumaker, on Lord's Day, June 4th, 1916:

Aiuppy, Mr. Ross	Illinois
Dutnall, Mr. John Wesley	Illinois
Goodin, Mrs. Edna Vada	Illinois
Hardy, Mr. Albert L.	Illinois
Hardy, Mrs. Martha	Illinois
Moor, Mr. George B.	Illinois
Schwenck, Mr. James Ed.	Illinois

Qualifications for Overseers and Elders

Old Version.	Revised Version.	Fenton's Translation.	Rotherham's Translation.	Young's Translation.	Emphatic Diaglott.
Blameless.	Without reproach.	Unassailable.	Irreproachable.	Blameless.	Irreproachable.
The husband of one wife.	The husband of one wife.	The husband of one wife.	Husband of one wife.	Of one wife a husband.	A husband of one wife.
Vigilant.	Temperate.	Watchful.	Sober.	Vigilant.	Vigilant.
Sober.	Sober-minded.	Sober.	Of sound mind.	Sober.	Sedate.
Of good behavior.	Orderly.	Orderly.	Orderly.	Decent.	Orderly.
Given to hospitality.	Given to hospitality.	Hospitable.	Hospitable.	Friend of strangers.	Hospitable.
Apt to teach.	Apt to teach.	Taught.	Apt in teaching.	Apt to teach.	Fit to teach.
Not given to wine.	No brawler. (Not quarrelsome over wine.)	Not a drunkard.	Not given to wine.	Not given to wine.	Not a wine drinker.
No striker.	No striker.	Not a pugilist.	Not made to wound.	Not a striker.	No striker.
Not greedy of filthy lucre.	No lover of money.	Nor an extortioner.	Not fond of money.	Not given to filthy lucre.	Not a lover of money.
Patient.	Gentle.	Gentle.	Considerate.	Gentle.	Gentle.
Not a brawler.	Not contentious.	Not contentious.	Averse to contention.	Not contentious.	Not quarrelsome.
Not covetous.	No lover of money.	Not avaricious.	Not fond of money.	Not a lover of money.	Not a lover of money.
One that ruleth well his own house.	One that ruleth well his own house.	Regulating his own house well.	Over his own house presiding well.	His own house leading well.	Presiding well over his own family.
Not a novice.	Not a novice.	Not a new convert.	Not a new convert.	Not a new convert.	Not a new convert.
Must have a good report of them who are without.	Must have good testimony from them that are without.	And he ought also to have a fair reputation with the outsiders.	Honorable testimony also from them that are without.	Good testimony from those without.	Good testimony from those without.

Qualifications for Deacons

Authorized Version.	Revised Version.	Fenton's Translation.	Rotherham's Translation.	Young's Translation.	Emphatic Diaglott.
Grave.	Grave.	Grave.	Dignified.	Grave.	Serious.
Not double-tongued.	Not double-tongued.	Not deceitful.	Not double-tongued.	Not double-tongued.	Not deceitful in speech.
Not given to much wine.	Not given to much wine.	Not addicted to much wine.	Not to much wine given.	Not given to much wine.	Not being addicted to much wine.
Not greedy of filthy lucre.	Not greedy of filthy lucre.	Not greedy for money.	Not greedy of base gain.	Not given to filthy lucre.	Not eager for base gain.
Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.	Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.	But preserving the secret of the faith with a clean conscience.	Holding the sacred secret of the faith in a pure conscience.	Having the secret of the faith in a pure conscience.	Holding the secret of the faith with a pure conscience.
Let these also first be proved.	And let these also first be proved.	And let these be tested first.	But let these also be proved first.	And let these also first be proved.	But let these also be proved first.
Then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless.	Then let them serve as deacons, if they be blameless.	Afterwards being proved irreproachable they may serve.	Then let them be ministering being unaccusable.	Then let them minister, being unblamable.	Then let them serve being unblamable.

Qualifications for Deacons—*continued*

Authorized Version.	Revised Version.	Fenton's Translation.	Rotherham's Translation.	Young's Translation.	Emphatic Diaglott.
Even so, must their wives be grave.	Women in like manner must be grave.	The women as well should be grave.	Wives in the same way dignified.	Women in like manner grave.	Let the women in like manner be serious.
Not slanderers.	Not slanderers.	Not slanderers.	Not given to intrigue.	Not false accusers.	Not accusers.
Sober.	Temperate.	Watchful.	Sober.	Vigilant.	Vigilant.
Faithful in all things.	Faithful in all things.	Faithful in everything.	Faithful in all things.	Faithful in all things.	Faithful in all things.
Let the deacons be husbands of one wife.	Let deacons be husbands of one wife.	Deacons must be husbands of one wife.	Let ministers be husbands of one wife.	Ministrants, let them be of one wife husbands.	Let assistants be husbands of one wife.
Ruling their children and their own houses well.	Ruling their children and their own houses well.	And governing their children and their own houses well.	Over children presiding well, and over their own houses.	The children leading well, and their own houses.	Presiding well over their own families.

Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Old Version.	Revised Version.	Fenton's Translation.	Rotherham's Translation.	Young's Translation.	Emphatic Diaglott.
The Word of Wisdom.	The Word of Wisdom.	Philosophic Reason.	A Word of Wisdom.	A Word of Wisdom.	A Word of Wisdom.
The Word of Knowledge.	The Word of Knowledge.	Comprehension of Thought.	A Word of Knowledge.	A Word of Knowledge.	A Word of Knowledge.
Faith.	Faith.	Faith.	Faith.	Faith.	Faith.
The Gifts of Healing.	Gifts of Healings.	Gifts of Healing.	Gifts of Healings.	Gifts of Healings.	Gifts of Cures.
Working of Miracles.	Workings of Miracles or Powers.	A Genius for Government.	Energies of Mighty Works.	In-workings of Mighty Deeds.	Operations of Mighty Works.
Prophecy.	Prophecy.	Eloquence.	Propheying.	Prophecy.	Prophecy.
Discerning of Spirits.	Discernings of Spirits.	Discernment of Character.	Discriminations of Spirits.	Discernings of Spirits.	Discrimination of Spirits.
Divers Kinds of Tongues.	Divers Kinds of Tongues.	A Genius for Languages.	Kinds of Tongues.	Divers Kinds of Tongues.	Different Languages.
The Interpretation of Tongues.	Interpretation of Tongues.	Talent for Translating Languages.	Translation of Tongues.	Interpretation of Tongues.	Interpretation of Languages.

The Fruit of the Spirit

Old Version.	Revised Version.	Fenton's Translation.	Rotherham's Translation.	Young's Translation.	Emphatic Diaglott.
Love.	Love.	Love.	Love.	Love.	Love.
Joy.	Joy.	Gladness.	Joy.	Joy.	Joy.
Peace.	Peace.	Peace.	Peace.	Peace.	Peace.
Longsuffering.	Longsuffering.	Patience.	Longsuffering.	Longsuffering.	Forbearance.
Gentleness.	Kindness.	Gentleness.	Graciousness.	Kindness.	Kindness.
Goodness.	Goodness.	Purity.	Goodness.	Goodness.	Goodness.
Faith.	Faithfulness.	Faith.	Faithfulness.	Faith.	Fidelity.
Meekness.	Meekness.	Mildness.	Meekness.	Meekness.	Meekness.
Temperance.	Temperance.	Continence.	Self-control.	Temperance.	Self-control.

"FEAR NOT"

By Elder C. F. Viking

ONE of the things most hateful in God's sight is fear. And fear itself is a terrible thing.

"Fear hath torment."—I John 4:18.

"Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken."—Luke 21:26.

When they realize that the hour has struck they will be tormented by fear both night and day. They are not prepared to meet their God. They have rejected the warning sent them through ZION. They have laughed and mocked and scoffed and cursed and shouted: "Let us alone, we have no use for ZION."

But they cannot get away from fear, fear of death, fear of judgment. Their sins have found them out, and sooner or later they must stand before the Son of man.

"For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

"But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries."—Hebrews 10:26, 27.

Many will be afraid not only of the signs of the end, the judgment to come and death, but will be afraid also of the face of man and this fear is terrible. It is to be found among so-called Christians and preachers in the churches. They are ashamed of Jesus and afraid to own His cause. This fear brings a snare.—Proverbs 29:25.

Because of this fear they will disobey God and His prophets deliberately, they will tell lies, exaggerate, run away from duty, plunge into deeper sin and become real cowards.

Adam.

Adam had sinned against God. When he heard the familiar voice of God calling to him: "Where art thou," he hid himself in the garden. He was not presentable before God. Fear had taken possession of him and he feared because of his own wilful sin and disobedience, and well might every man and woman who disobeys God and follows the devil be tormented by fear.

Isaac.

Isaac told a lie because of fear.—Genesis 26:7. He went so far as to say that his own wife was his sister. He was afraid that some one would kill him in order to get his wife, so he said: "She is my sister."

Abraham.

The very same grievous sin had been committed by Abraham when he lied to the king of Egypt concerning his wife Sarah, saying: "She is my sister."—Genesis 20:2. It is no wonder that Isaac had the same spirit. It was in the family, it went from father to son. Abraham was a coward in this matter and Isaac also became one.

Elijah.

Elijah the Tishbite the mighty prophet of God after he had won the glorious victory on Mount Carmel for his God, in a moment of depression took fright at the words of a wicked woman, and ran away for his life far into the wilderness.—I Kings 19:3.

Peter.

Peter denied his Lord three times in succession in the palace of the High Priest. Fear had taken possession of him and caused him to lie and deceive and deny the truth.—Matthew 26:69-75.

Fear is contagious.—Deuteronomy 20:8.

This was known in Israel 4000 years ago. The fearful and fainthearted were of no use in facing the enemy. Such were requested to return to their own houses so as not to contaminate their brethren's hearts. For if they remained any longer in camp, very soon the whole camp would be full of fear and the coming battle would be lost.

So also in Judges 7:1-9. God knew that the army of Israel, 32,000 strong, was no match against the hosts of the Midianites in the valley. All cowards were therefore discovered and sent home. What remained were 300 strong and fearless men who could be depended upon and who would not run away but who would fight for God and Gideon.

These were not hampered with cowards nor was there any chance for the devil to weaken their faith since all cowards were first removed.

The Fearful.

The fearful lead the procession to hell.—Revelation 21:8. Our former leader, Dr. Dowie, familiarized ZION with this expression. And it is true. The fearful stand foremost in the line of the procession.

"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."—Revelation 21:8.

The fearful have light and knowledge but they hide it. They know what God demands but do not obey. They are afraid of what the people will think and say and do.

The contamination of fear is an evil disease more contagious and deadly than any disease known.

The fearful concerning ZION are to be pitied. As if you were called upon to carry the burden and responsibility of ZION! God has given you privileges, great and glorious privileges, that if you live up to these, there would be no room for fear, no thought of fear, no desire to listen to the serpent's hiss in the dark.

When Peter sank down into the watery billows of Galilee, was it of any use to point to the tossing ship and say, it is your fault, you fellows in the ship, you at the oars, you at the helm? No, he could not, he did not. He sank not because of the wind and the waves. They were there before. They were there when he walked on the water. But the moment he took his gaze from the Lord and looked at the waves, he only saw failure, destruction, death, and he feared. Still in his agony of fear he did the right thing, he cried out for help. Jesus saved him and literally pulled him up out of the water and of the fear.

Some people when fear assails them do not try to get rid of it but they seek companions in misery, others having fear, and make things worse and worse.

The storms may rage all around ZION, maybe the waves dash sky high at times and the din and noise is terrific, still the boat does not sink, ZION cannot be destroyed. No weapon formed against ZION has succeeded, no power in hell or out of hell has been able to overthrow; no cyclone of the devil has swamped ZION. ZION remains afloat. Individuals may go down. We pity them. It is their own fault. If they will not repent they must go down. If they will fear they must suffer.

But remember fear is contagious. It is an evil disease. It spreads. Get down before God in humble confession. Own up your weakness and fear no more. He will strengthen you, and it will not be long before you will be amazed to find in ZION wonderful joy, wonderful teaching, wonderful activity, wonderful growth and power, for ZION is of God.

"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love."—I John 4:18.

"Fear not daughter of ZION."—John 12:15.

"Fear not, little flock, for it is your father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."—Luke 12:32.

"Fear not; I am the first and the last:

"I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen;"—Revelation 1:17.

"Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people."—Luke 2:10.

"Fear not, Simon, from henceforth thou shalt catch men."—Luke 5:10.

"O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong."—Daniel 10:19.

"Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: for behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; he will come and save you."—Isaiah 35:4.

RESTORATION WORK

AUSTRALIA

Following are reports of Restoration Work done in the Cities of Camberwell, Hawthorn, North Dorrigo, Horsham, Australia:

Elder James A. Smith

Month of May, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold118
 "Leaves of Healing" given46
 "Theocrats" sold4
 Messages given250
 Dr. Dowie's Tracts sold43
 Pictures sold3
 Souvenirs of Zion City sold10

Total pieces distributed474
 Special calls made6

Mr. Joseph H. Freer

Month of April 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold3
 "Leaves of Healing" given49
 "Leaves of Healing" mailed12
 "Theocrats" given15
 Messages given157
 Messages mailed114
 Dr. Dowie's Tracts mailed13
 Souvenirs of Zion City mailed3
 Picture mailed1

Total pieces distributed367

Mrs. Alice Gill and Miss E. A. Gill

Month of May 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" mailed27
 "Leaves of Healing" given50
 "Theocrats" mailed10
 "Theocrats" given6
 Bibles given12
 New Testaments given9

Total pieces distributed114

Miss Gwenda Mintern

Months of March and April 1916:

Calls made183

"Leaves of Healing" sold12
 "Leaves of Healing" given18
 Messages given185

Total pieces distributed215

CHINA

Following are Reports of Restoration Work sent in by Apostle Francis M. Royall, Shanghai, China, for the month of April 1916.

One worker Reports for one year ending May 31st, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold2320
 "Leaves of Healing" given231
 Tracts, "Theocrats" and Messages given2326

Total pieces distributed4877

SCOTLAND

Following is a report of Restoration Work sent in by Miss Christina Davidson, Edinburgh, Scotland, for 9 weeks, ending June 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold128
 "Leaves of Healing" given4
 "Theocrats" sold6
 "Theocrats" given5
 Messages given184

Total pieces distributed327

ILLINOIS

Following are Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago, Illinois:

Miss H. Buhmann and Miss B. Schelhorn
 Week ending June 19, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold300
 "Leaves of Healing" given123
 "Theocrats" given100
 Messages given218

Total pieces distributed741

Miss Grace Gillis and Miss Virgie Anderson.

Week ending June 17, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold8
 "Leaves of Healing" given6
 Messages given216

Total pieces distributed230

Following are Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago:

Miss H. Buhman and Miss B. Schelhorn
 For 12 weeks, or 52 days, ending June 30th, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold3000
 "Leaves of Healing" given470
 "Theocrats" given1791
 Messages given2267

Total pieces distributed7528
 Subscriptions to "Leaves of Healing" ..1

Miss H. Buhman and Miss B. Shelhorn

One week ending June 30th, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold300
 "Leaves of Healing" given17
 "Theocrats" given200
 Messages given25

Total pieces distributed542

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

One day, July 1st, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold42
 "Leaves of Healing" given16
 Messages given400

Total pieces distributed458

Miss Grace Greenwood Curry of St. Joseph, Illinois, reports the following Restoration Work done during one year, ending July 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold474
 "Leaves of Healing" given134
 Tracts given8

Total pieces distributed616
 Ten weeks subscription to "Leaves of Healing"12

ALABAMA

Miss Eloise Hemphill, of Birmingham, Ala., reports the following Restoration Work:

Calls made179

"Leaves of Healing" given and mailed410
 "Theocrats" given52
 Messages given504
 Voice from Zion15

Total pieces distributed981

NEW YORK

Messrs. George V. Ballegooyen, and David E. V. Giesen, report the following Restoration Work done in the City of New York, during the Month of June 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold97
 "Leaves of Healing" given21
 Messages given50
 German Bible given1
 English Bible sold1

Total pieces distributed170
 Subscriptions to "Leaves of Healing" ..5

OHIO

Following are Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio:

Mrs. Wm. B. Barrowcliff and Mrs. Chas. W. Fulton

Week ending June 18, 1916.

Calls made45

"Leaves of Healing" sold17
 Messages given40

Total pieces distributed57

Mr. Chas. W. Fulton and Mr. Wm. B. Barrowcliff

Week ending June 18, 1916.

Calls made32

"Leaves of Healing" sold20
 Messages given27

Total pieces distributed47

Mrs. G. H. Atkins and Mrs. B. B. Fulton

Week ending June 18, 1916.

Calls made30

"Leaves of Healing" sold25
 "Theocrats" given25

Total pieces distributed50

Elder Aug. Hammock and Mrs. A. Hammock

Calls made50
 Special calls made8

"Leaves of Healing" sold54

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barrowcliff of Cincinnati, Ohio, report the following Restoration Work done during one week, ending July 23, 1916.

Calls made40

"Leaves of Healing" sold20
 Messages given30
 Cards of Zion City Views2

Total pieces distributed52

ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

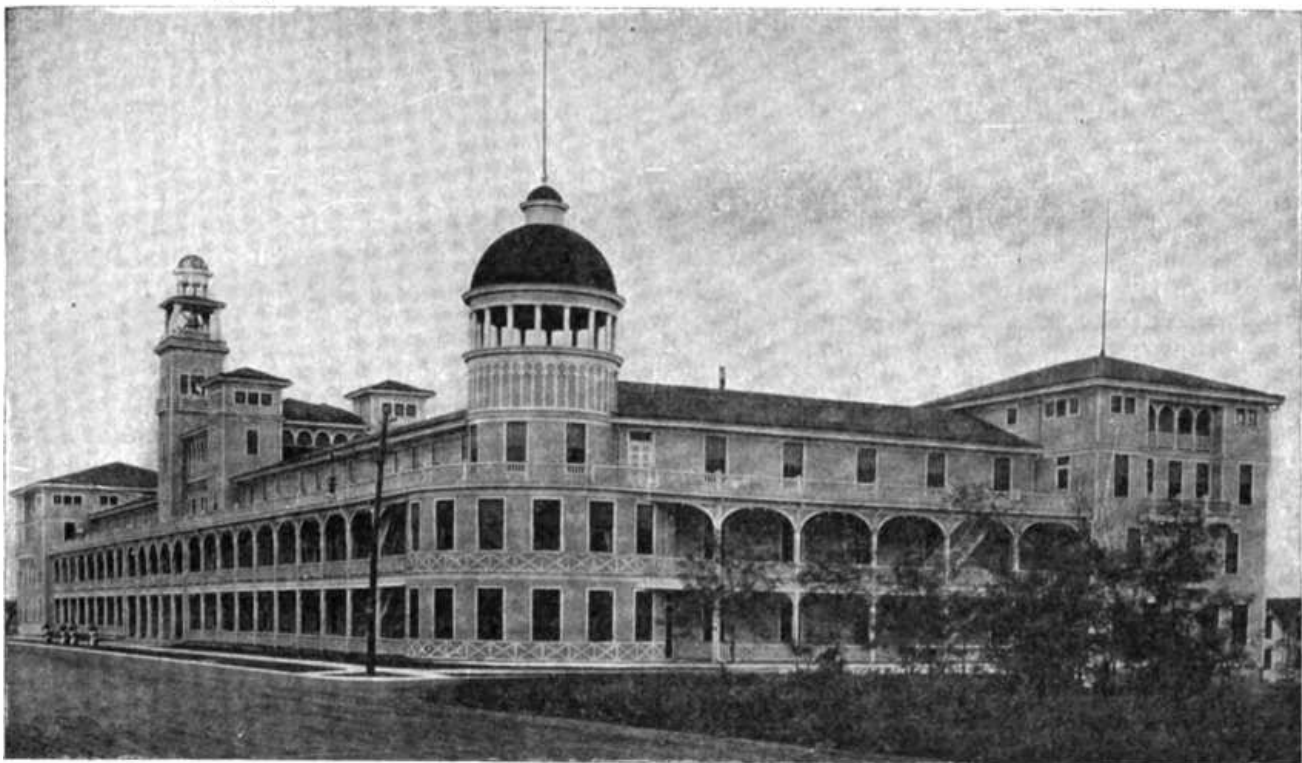
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For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

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This payment, under the old arrangement made March 1, 1911, amounted to \$125,000.00; but under the new arrangement which has recently been effected, the entire amount, together with interest in full, that has to be paid, amounts to the comparatively small sum of \$41,500.00.

All who want a Zion City should appreciate what the General Overseer and General Manager have been able to accomplish, and should show their appreciation by an immediate response to this call.

Every person who wants a Zion City should consider this obligation his own individual obligation, and should realize that if he does not come forward to the full extent of his ability, then, so far as he is concerned, no matter how much he may want a Zion City, there will never be one built.

W. Hurd Clendinen, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois, is the General Manager, and every person, no matter where he lives, who wants a Zion City, should write him within the next ten days.

There is but one position for you to take, and that is: "If I do not do my full duty, then this obligation will not be met."

The Zion Estate does not ask for, neither will it accept, any gifts. We want Zion people to purchase the city lots, the acre tracts, the farms, the residential properties, or loan their money where it can be used for the extension of God's Kingdom.

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An immediate response on the part of all who want a Zion City will make this matter a very easy one.

Earnestly praying that God will help one and all to translate the prayers, testimonies, and addresses of the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles into action; that He may touch your hearts, bless, and make you a blessing, I am

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For information write to

W. HURD CLENDINEN, General Manager
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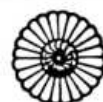
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To sell an article that some one else has been paid to produce is only half way beneficial, and should be discontinued as quickly as opportunity affords the means of producing it: I therefore use ZION Products because by so doing my helpfulness to the community is considerably increased, First—by the extra profits derived; Second—by giving employment to others who like myself came here to live and must have employment; thus, by helping others I am helping myself, and doing my part in building up a Zion City. To neglect this duty is to come short of my privileges and lose part of my reward.

Because I know that ZION Products are legitimately, pure and wholesome, having been made up, not simply as an article to sell for as much profit as possible with no regard to the genuineness of their ingredients, but manufactured to give the best results with such ingredients as are consistent from a Biblical standpoint, or God's pure food laws, and sold at prices that are fair and just.

Because I know that many articles, such as shortening, cookies, candies, canned goods, etc., contain lard or hog meat, which is not fit for human consumption.

Because In supporting a Zion Institution I am supporting one where all the profits and all the influence is expended on doing good rather than upon some individual concern where the profits are used to gratify worldly desire with no thought of the Kingdom of God.

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And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

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"Remove Not the Ancient Landmark"

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LANDMARKS are used in oriental countries for the purpose of designating the boundaries of land, either in small or large portions, held by individual owners. The custom is a very ancient one, dating back to remote antiquity.

Frequent mention of landmarks is made in the Word of God in connection with the distribution and holding of lands, which were parceled out to the children of Israel after entering into the Promised Land.

The Promised Land, comprising approximately fifteen million acres of land, was divided among the families of Israel, numbering about six hundred thousand; leaving each family an average of about twenty acres of land, besides setting apart about two million acres for public domain.

PROTECTION TO LAND OWNERS GIVEN BY THE MOSAIC LAW

Provision was made through the laws, given by Moses, that the land must remain in perpetuity with the family tribe to which it was originally given. If it was necessary for the owner of any portion of land, because of unfortunate circumstances, to lose, for the time being, control of the land, and if he should be obliged to hand it over to his creditor, specific directions were given in the political economy of Israel's government that this land, which for the time being was lost to the owner, again must revert in the year of jubilee and be restored to the family tribe to which it originally belonged. This made it impossible for the rich to take advantage of the poor and to get control of vast domains of land, as has been customary in nearly every country of the world, both in ancient and in modern times. In this way the weak were guarded, by Israel's legislator, from the avarice and greed of plutocrats.

We see therefore that it was the plan and purpose of God that the landed rights of each and every family in Israel were to be held inviolable in perpetuity. A careless father could not deprive his children, beyond the limited time, of their rights and privileges to till the soil and enjoy the fruit thereof.

The boundaries of these lands were designated by great stones, which were set up as landmarks. To remove any of these landmarks was considered a great violation of the economic law of Israel, touching the very foundation of their commonwealth. Repeated instruction and warning is given in the Word of God, regarding the removing of ancient landmarks.

Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the Lord thy God giveth thee to possess it.—Deuteronomy 19:14.

Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour's landmark.—Deuteronomy 27:17.

Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.—Proverbs 22:28.

Remove not the old landmark: and enter not into the fields of the fatherless.—Proverbs 23:10.

Some remove the landmarks: they violently take away flocks and they feed thereof.—Job 24:2.

THE IMPORTANCE OF LANDMARKS IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY

A more important meaning of the word "Landmark" has arisen from the ancient custom, described above, by applying the term to any great event which marks a turning point in the course of history. There have been a great many landmarks in history, such as the granting of the Magna Charta, the great German Reformation, the American Constitution and the Emancipation of millions of slaves on American soil, and many other great events, which we might mention.

The progress, rise, and development of nations are recorded in the great landmarks of history. To ignore the records of the mighty triumphs of justice, law and truth, bound up in the landmarks of history, is to ignore the providence of God in the affairs of mankind.

While we are interested in all the progress which has been made by humanity along political, legislative, educational, economic and industrial lines, we are interested far more in the building up, progress and development of THE KINGDOM OF GOD upon the earth. It is stated plainly, both in the New as well as in the Old Testament, that "man liveth not by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth from the mouth of God."

While it was necessary to see to it that the property rights of the families of Israel were held sacred, it was considered of greater importance that God's chosen people should lay hold upon the truths, commandments and covenants of God's Word and to consider these so sacred that they could not think of violating or trespassing any of them at any time.

What a wonderful heritage was given to Israel of old at

Mount Sinai, when the decalogue was written by the hand of God upon tables of stone!

What a wonderful heritage was given to them as God continued to reveal His statutes and commandments throughout the entire Old Testament!

What a wonderful heritage was given to God's chosen people when Jesus the Christ went up into the mountain and seeing the multitudes, He opened His mouth and taught them the beautiful Beatitudes—the deep unfolding of the Decalogue—when He gave the new revelation, concerning the Father and declared the blessings of citizenship in THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN!

THE CHURCH ENTRUSTED WITH A HEAVENLY HERITAGE

What a wonderful heritage was given, by Jesus the Christ, to the Church in providing the Atonement and eternal Redemption which He made upon Calvary through the shedding of His blood!

What a wonderful heritage was given to the early Church in the pouring out of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, enabling the disciples to scatter the Gospel Message to many places, beginning with Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the then known world!

It is not possible for us to be holders of land in Canaan or Palestine; but it is possible for us to be owners of the great blessings which God has given to His children in THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

To be citizens of this Kingdom, to accept the rights and privileges of citizenship in this Kingdom, is of great importance to one and all who would make true and abiding progress in this world.

While a great opportunity was offered to Israel of old, to establish their commonwealth in the promised land, it is sad to record how utterly faithless they were in their trust, that when the promised Messiah at last came, in fulfillment of prophecy, to become their King and to establish the Davidic throne in their midst, they rejected Him. Israel as a nation had to be set aside because of their unfaithfulness, and the Church, called out from all the nations, was to be entrusted with the proclamation of the Gospel and the establishment of THE KINGDOM OF GOD among the nations.

It is sad to note, however, that even the Church, called to be the Bride of Jesus the Christ, could become unfaithful in her trust and that she could be guilty of removing the ancient Landmarks, which God the Almighty had implanted as the boundaries of separation, as the marks of distinction between the church and the world.

It has been left to ZION, in fulfillment of prophecy, to restore the ancient Landmarks which have been removed by an unfaithful, cowardly, compromising and worldly church.

It has been left for ZION in these days of the Restoration of "All Things" to bring back to the Church the truths long forgotten, the covenants long ago buried out of sight, the commandments long ago broken.

It has been left for ZION to bring back the prominent outstanding features which made Israel a chosen nation in the sight of God, and to bring back the distinguishing features, which made the early Church a tremendous power in disseminating the Gospel in the first century.

The Landmarks, which God placed within Israel of old and within the early Church, have been removed by an unfaithful people, and it has been left for ZION to wrest from the enemy the territory which has been stolen, and by energetic determination and persistent warfare to restore the ancient Landmarks, planted by the hand of God for the establishment of His cause and KINGDOM.

THE LANDMARK OF THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE RESTORED IN ZION

One of the first things, which it has been necessary for ZION to restore, is the Landmark of the Verbal Inspiration of the Word of God. ZION recognizes that the Holy Scriptures are not the production of man, as is the case with other literature; but ZION recognizes that the Sacred Scriptures stand alone as the production of the Holy Spirit, Who, through human agencies, in spite of their many peculiarities, has unfolded the mind and will of God for the redemption of humanity.

There has been much dispute regarding the origin and authority of various books contained in the Bible, but ZION has no time

to lose in the discussion of many of the foolish questions, which have been agitated by the churches in so called higher criticism. The Church has drifted away from the Word of God, and has put man's wisdom in the place of the wisdom of God. Many portions of the Word of God have been torn to shreds by an unfaithful and unbelieving ministry.

ZION accepts, without any question, the entire revelation, recorded in the sacred Scriptures, from Genesis to Revelation.

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.—Deuteronomy 6:6-9.

For ever, O Lord, Thy Word is settled in Heaven.

O how love I Thy law! it is my meditation all the day.

Thou, through Thy commandments, hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.

I have more understanding than all my teachers: for Thy testimonies are my meditation.

I understand more than the ancients, because I keep Thy precepts.

I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep Thy word.

I have not departed from Thy judgments: for Thou hast taught me.

How sweet are Thy Words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

Through Thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Thy testimonies are wonderful, therefore doth my soul keep them.

The entrance of Thy Words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.—Psalm 119:89, 97-105, 129-130.

Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of Me.—John 5:39.

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.—II Timothy 3:16.

Is it any wonder that the preaching in ZION has been different from anything heard elsewhere?

Is it any wonder that conviction is wrought in the hearts of sinners, and that they realize that they are called to repent, through the powerful message as it goes forth from ZION?

The Word of God is to be used as the Sword of the Spirit wherewith to smite sin in high and low places, and nowhere is it used in such an uncompromising way as in ZION.

Preach the Word: be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and doctrine.—II Timothy 4:2.

For the Word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.—Hebrews 4:12.

THE LANDMARK OF THEOCRACY RESTORED IN ZION

Another Landmark, which has been restored by ZION, is the Landmark of the Theocracy. Israel was called out of Egypt for the distinct purpose of becoming a separate people from all other nations. They were given the possession of the promised land for the purpose of teaching other nations the wonderful blessings that come to the people who recognize God as their King and Ruler and put themselves in submission to His laws, His statutes and commandments.

And the Lord said unto Abraham, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art, northward and southward, and eastward and westward:

For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed forever.

And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

Arise, walk through the land, in the length of it, and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.—Genesis 13:14-17.

Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagle's wings, and brought you unto myself.

Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine.

And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.—Exodus 19:4-6.

For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are on the face of the earth.

The Lord did not set His love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people;

But because the Lord loved you, and because He would keep the oath which He had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.

Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep His commandments to a thousand generations.—Deuteronomy 7:6-9.

And what one nation in the earth is like Thy people, even like Israel, whom God went to redeem for a people to Himself, and to make Him a Name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for Thy land, before Thy people, which Thou redeemedst to Thee from Egypt, from the nations and their gods?

For Thou hast confirmed to Thyself Thy people Israel, to be a people unto Thee for ever: and Thou, Lord, art become their God. —II Samuel 7:23, 24.

And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed, and the Kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.—Daniel 2:44.

The Church has lost sight altogether of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and is wasting her time to advance the interest of man-made organizations which have arisen as a result of jealousy and contention. ZION has nothing in common with these man-made organizations, for ZION recognizes the rule of God upon earth today.

ZION believes in a Divinely Called Leader, as Moses was called, as the Judges were called, as the Prophets and Apostles were called, as the Special Messengers, sent of God, were called; each to deliver the message and to do the work, for which they were called and trained.

THE TIMES OF RESTORATION BEGUN BY THE PROPHETIC ELIJAH MINISTRY

The Times of Restoration of All Things, spoken of by the Apostle Peter in the third chapter of the book of Acts, have been made possible, because the people in ZION have recognized the prophetic ministry of John Alexander Dowie as the one spoken of by Malachi, to "come before the great and terrible day of the Lord," and also spoken of by Jesus the Christ as the one who shall "Restore All Things."

And the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.—Malachi 3:1.

Behold I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the Lord:

And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.—Malachi 4:5-6.

Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things.—Matthew 17:11.

And they asked Him saying, Why say the scribes that Elias must first come?

And He answered and told them, Elias verily cometh first, and restoreth all things.—Mark 9:11, 12.

ZION recognizes that without a Divinely Called Leader it is impossible to carry on "The Times of Restoration of All Things." Only a man, called and trained of God, made strong in the school of experience, a man determined to know and to do the will of God in all things, a man of great courage and determination, only such a man can succeed in establishing the rule of God in the midst of anarchy, atheism, denominationalism and against all the hosts of hell.

There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee. I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth: but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage: be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed, for the Lord thy God is with thee, whithersoever thou goest.—Joshua 1:5-9.

Fear not thou worm Jacob and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the Lord, and thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

Behold I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth, thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.—Isaiah 41:14, 15.

Then the word of the Lord came unto me, saying:

Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

Then said I, Ah! Lord God. Behold, I cannot speak; for I am a child.

But the Lord said unto me, Say not, I am a child; for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.

Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord.

Then the Lord put forth His hand, and touched my mouth. And the Lord said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.

See, I have this day set thee over the nations, and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build and to plant.—Jeremiah 1:4-10.

And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brazen wall: and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee: for I am with thee to save thee, and to deliver thee, saith the Lord.

And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.—Jeremiah 15:20-21.

And He shall send Jesus the Christ, which before was preached unto you:

Whom the Heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things, whatsoever he shall say unto you.

And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.—Acts 3:20-23.

A DIVINELY-CALLED LEADER AND MINISTER RECOGNIZED IN ZION

ZION recognizes a Divinely-called Ministry, that is not dependent upon the whims of a fickle people, but that is responsible to God for being true shepherds of the sheep whom they are sent to rule in love, and not with a high hand.

ZION is called to be a separate people, a people who have come out from the apostasies of Babylon, and who exist for but one purpose—to establish the rule and reign of God upon the earth.

The building of ZION CITY is the direct outcome of ZION's great work of proclaiming the Gospel of THE KINGDOM. When the people who are saved and healed through the teaching of ZION once have seen the vision of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, once have learned the laws of the theocratic government, as set forth in the Old Testament, and particularly in the Sermon on the Mount, spoken by Jesus the Christ, it is impossible for them any longer to remain among the ungodly who have no interest whatever in the establishment of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Jesus the Christ did not come for the purpose of transforming man's nature only along certain lines, but His purpose was to transform the entire man and his entire life at every angle, and to make it possible for His disciples to raise the standard along every line, of private and public life.

ZION is not a church denomination or any man-made organization, but ZION is a theocracy in the world today.

ZION CITY is to be an example to the nations of the earth, of what it means for God's people to engage in social, industrial, educational and political affairs. Every iniquity, practised in worldly cities and communities, must be abolished and be kept out of ZION CITY. The standard of loyalty to our leader must be maintained by all the people, and the purpose of the people, as well as that of the leader must be to let God rule in all the affairs of ZION and to make ZION CITY in every sense a true KINGDOM OF GOD CITY.

THE LANDMARK OF DIVINE HEALING RESTORED IN ZION

Another Landmark that has been restored through ZION is that of Divine Healing. It was declared in Israel of old that there was only one remedy for sickness and disease, and that was to look unto Jehovah for salvation and healing the body of its infirmities.

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.—Exodus 15:26.

And the Lord will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee.—Deuteronomy 7:15.

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me bless His holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases.—Psalm 103:1-3.

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted.

But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.—Isaiah 53:4, 5.

The four Gospels abound with the record of many mighty miracles that were wrought by Jesus the Christ as the Healer of His people. The blind, the deaf, the lame, the demon-possessed, were made every whit whole by the touch of His hand, or by His spoken word.

The commission was given by Jesus the Christ to the disciples and seventies to go out and to heal the sick. Not one word can be found within the lids of the Bible in justification of doctors and drugs. They are condemned in outspoken terms everywhere in the Scriptures by God Himself.

Plain directions were given by the Apostle James, which were to be carried out throughout the entire New Testament dispensation, that the officers of the Church were to be called to offer the prayer of faith for the sick. The gifts of healing were placed within the church for the purpose of making this ministry of divine healing possible throughout the entire Gospel Age.

For to one is given, by the Spirit, the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge, by the same Spirit:

To another faith, by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing, by the same Spirit;

To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues;

But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.—I Corinthians 12:8-11.

And God hath set some in the church; first, apostles; secondarily, prophets; thirdly, teachers; after that miracles; then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.—I Corinthians 12:28.

Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.

Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray for him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord:

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.—James 5:13-16.

It seems strange that the church, in the face of these plain directions, could have removed the Landmark of God's eternal Covenant of Divine Healing. But it is a well known fact that the church has disregarded this covenant, and in place of it has put her confidence in the arm of flesh, such as doctors, surgeons, and drugs.

ZION has put herself on record as the only organization and people in the world today who consistently teach and practise the Covenant of Divine Healing. Many mighty miracles have been wrought in ZION through the power of God and vast numbers of testimonies have been placed on record in LEAVES OF HEALING in the last twenty years, establishing the validity of this Covenant and restoring this Landmark as one of the most important memorials to the goodness and mercy of God toward His suffering and afflicted children.

THE LANDMARK OF TITHING RESTORED IN ZION

Another Landmark that ZION has restored to THE KINGDOM OF GOD is the paying of Tithes into the Storehouse of the Church. One of the principal requirements made of the children of Israel, in connection with the support of the priesthood, in order to enable them to carry out the offering of sacrifices in the Tabernacle worship, was the paying of the Tithe of the fruits of the land and of their income.

This custom was begun by Abraham, who paid tithes unto Melchizedek.

It was made compulsory in Israel by Moses.

It was reiterated by the prophet Malachi at the close of the Old Dispensation.

Tithing was ratified by Jesus the Christ, and upheld by the teaching of the New Testament in other places.

And he (Abram) gave him (Melchizedek, as God's High Priest) a tenth of all.—Genesis 14:20.

Of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto Thee.—Genesis 28:22.

All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is Jehovah's: it is holy unto Jehovah.—Leviticus 27:30.

Honor Jehovah with thy substance, and with the firstfruit of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy vats shall overflow with new wine.—Proverbs 3:9, 10.

Will a man rob God? yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with the curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation. BRING YE THE WHOLE TITHE INTO THE STOREHOUSE.—Malachi 3:8-10.

To whom (Melchizedek) also Abram divided a tenth part of all.

Thou (Christ) art a Priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.—Hebrews 7:2, 17.

Here men that die receive tithes, but there One of whom it is witnessed that He liveth.—Hebrews 7:8.

Ye pay tithes of mint, anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone.—Matthew 23:23.

Is it not strange that Satan has succeeded in removing this Landmark from the Christian Church and in making the people believe that the Lord must be satisfied with the mere pittance of contributions, and pew rents, and the income raised from socials, raffles, bazaars, theatricals, dances, and many other means of raising money, which have become a stench in the nostrils of the Almighty?

The churches are filled with mammon worshipers, with a lot of stingy, measly reprobates who love self and the treasures of this world far more than the treasures of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

One of the miracles, accomplished by John Alex. Dowie, has been to take the love of money out of the hearts of thousands, by teaching them to pay the tithe of their income into the Storehouse of ZION. Wonderful blessings have come to those that have been faithful in tithing.

THE LANDMARK OF SCRIPTURAL HOLINESS RESTORED IN ZION

Another Landmark that ZION has restored to the Church and to THE KINGDOM OF GOD is the Landmark of True Holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. In outlining the latter-day ZION, the prophet Isaiah plainly enunciated the fact that there would be built an highway through the wilderness and desert, which was to blossom as the rose, and this highway was to be called the way of holiness, over which the unclean should not pass, but only the redeemed should walk thereon, and the ransomed of the Lord should return and come to ZION with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads.

ZION is herein set forth as a holy people, and ZION CITY as a holy place.

Sanctification, however, is impossible without a true salvation and regeneration of the entire man. Sanctification is only the resultant outgrowth, and the full fruition of the Christ life, planted within the spirit of man through the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit.

Some people have wondered why so much attention is given in ZION to the denunciation of the filthy use of tobacco, of the damning results of alcoholic drinks and stimulants, of the polluting influence of the dance, the theater, moving picture show, of the idolatrous worship practised in secret orders, of the degrading use of drugs, and the filthy habit of eating swine's flesh. These things are not only in general use by the people of the world, but also by nearly the entire Church.

While it has been customary for some organizations to protest along certain lines, not one organization in the whole world has been willing to protest against everything that is evil, questionable and doubtful. ZION therefore stands alone in the world today, protesting against the world, the flesh and the devil. ZION

alone demands that her people remove every mark that the Beast has put upon mankind. ZION demands that her people become a truly holy, redeemed and sanctified people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive saloniains 5:23, 24.

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.—II Corinthians 7:1.

Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus the Christ.

Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it—I Thessalonians 5:23, 24.

But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.—II Thessalonians 2:13.

This I say then, walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

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.

But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, sedition, heresies.

Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you therefore, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.—Galatians 5:16-23.

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.—Hebrew 12:14.

The one great purpose in restoring the Landmark of Holiness to the church of the living God is to make ready the Bride for the coming of the Christ. Only a people cleansed from every filth and iniquity of the world can be in a position to watch and wait for the coming King. Only a people who have cut themselves loose from every interest in worldly undertakings and have put their treasures into THE KINGDOM OF GOD, to be used for the honor and glory of God, only such a people can prepare and look forward to the establishment of the millennial reign of Jesus the Christ upon the earth for a thousand years.

ZION demands every life, every talent, every dollar upon the altar. Nothing is to be withheld from God and from His KINGDOM. God can be pleased with His people only, when they have presented themselves a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto Him, which is their reasonable service.

What a joy comes to the disciple of the Christ, when he has put himself and all upon the altar!

May God enable one and all in ZION to be more faithful than ever in living the life and doing the work which God demands for the Restoration of every Landmark in ZION, for the establishment and extension of His KINGDOM.

You say, "I believe in and want a ZION CITY." Then prove your statement by substantial help in making the next payment on September 1, 1916.

ZION CITY—the only City of its kind in the world, and in deed and in truth a refuge for people who are sick and tired of conditions in the world—must be firmly established!

It takes ZION men and women, and money, to do it!

Will you help?—or will you say, "Let somebody else do it"?



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When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant AT ONCE!

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into ZION, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into ZION and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into ZION, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

We are very grateful to God to be able to announce that the work of organizing ZION Educational Institutions is progressing very satisfactorily.

We are now presenting, in this issue of LEAVES OF HEALING, the courses of study for the Junior Schools and the Preparatory Department of ZION College.

These schools, in many respects, will be unlike any other schools in the world. The children and young people will be safeguarded, in every way, against the darts of the devil.

The doors of ZION Educational Institutions will always be open for God, for Jesus the Christ, for the Holy Spirit, and for the Bible. The Bible will be the principal textbook, and will have first place.

The finished product of ZION Educational Institutions must, and will be, a Christian; not an educated animal.

God has made it very clear to us that we should re-establish ZION Schools, and we are going forward with faith in Him.

As already announced, the plan—and it is truly in accordance with the principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools; this assessment to be made on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each and every one.

The assessment, when made, will cover a period of twelve months, and the assessment may be paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly in advance, or semi-annually in advance.

That the people are thinking and praying, and are interested in ZION Schools, is shown by the following report:

CASH:

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No. 50.....	10.00

PLEDGES:

No. 1.....	\$100.00
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INVESTMENTS TRANSFERRED TO ZION SCHOOLS:

No. 1.....	\$ 6.46
No. 2.....	12.15
No. 3.....	39.93
No. 4.....	148.69

LETTERS RECEIVED

August 10, 1916.

Enclosed please find \$5 for Zion Schools.

August 10, 1916.

Enclosed find \$5 for the Zion Schools. You can also count upon us subscribing to \$20 assessment annually for the Zion Schools.

August 6, 1916.

Enclosed is \$10 for Zion Schools.

August 12, 1916.

Enclosed please find my check for \$5, which I gladly send you for the Zion Schools.

Ever since we knew you were going to have our own schools, we have been asking God to let us have some little part in helping to start them.

We rejoice that God has shown you to start them, and we are sure He will give you the means to carry them through.

August 12, 1916.

Herewith find check for \$20 for Zion Schools.

August 6, 1916.

I am glad the Zion Schools are to be opened again, and as a mark of my appreciation I am enclosing \$5 to help in the good work.

Under date of August 7, 1916, a check for \$200 was received for Zion Schools.

August 6, 1916.

Herewith is \$5 toward Zion Schools.

August 6, 1916.

I herewith enclose my check for \$10 for the promotion of Zion Schools. May God bless you and all Zion everywhere, is my earnest prayer.

August 15, 1916.

I enclose herewith check for \$25 for Zion Schools, and it is by intention to send another check for the same amount some time in January, 1917.

No one in Zion could be more thankful for Zion Schools than I am, and I am positive there will be no trouble about getting the money for their support.

August 16, 1916.

Enclosed find \$10 offering for Zion Schools.

ZION Schools—Kindergarten, Junior Schools, and Preparatory Department of ZION College—will have, in addition to the Principal, a teaching staff of twenty-four.

We thank, most sincerely in the Name of the Lord, all of the brothers and sisters who have voluntarily contributed for the support of ZION Schools, and earnestly pray that God will richly bless and reward them.

We earnestly pray that all ZION everywhere will see that God is guiding, and that there should be unbounded enthusiasm for the training of the children, youths and maidens in ZION.

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

—WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA.

ZION JUNIOR SCHOOLS

Primary Division

FIRST YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	Music
Numbers	Art
Handwork	

SECOND YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	
Numbers	Music
Handwork	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

THIRD YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	
Arithmetic	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

FOURTH YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

Departmental Division

FIFTH YEAR—

Bible	
History and	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

SIXTH YEAR—

Bible	
History and	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	
Language	Music
Spelling	Art
Writing	Right Living

SEVENTH YEAR—

Bible and	
Zion Literature	
History and	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Grammar	Music
Geography	Art
Spelling	Right Living
Writing	

EIGHTH YEAR—

Bible and	
Zion History	
Arithmetic	
History and	
Literature	
Grammar and	Music
Composition	Art
Geography	Sewing and
Spelling	Construction work
Writing	

Course of Study Zion Preparatory College

FIRST YEAR

Bible	Bible
Algebra 5	Algebra 5
English 5	English 5
Latin 5	Latin 5
Botany 3	Botany 3

SECOND YEAR

Bible	Bible
Geometry 5	Geometry 5
English 5	English 5
Latin 5	Latin 5
Practical Law 3	Bookkeeping 3

THIRD YEAR

Bible and	Bible and
Zion Literature	Zion Literature
Ancient History 5	Medieval History 5
English 5	English 5
Caesar 5	Caesar 5
Practical Law 3	Bookkeeping 3

FOURTH YEAR

Bible and	Bible and
Zion Literature	Zion Literature
Modern History 3	American History 3
English 5	English 5
Physics 5	Physics 5
Civil Government 5	Arithmetic 5

NOTE: Domestic Science, Art, Manual Training, and Music offered in each year.
Owing to Miss Stark's absence German will not be offered until next year.

THE HOLY CITY

Report of an Address Delivered in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, February 14, 1915, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

APOSTLE ANTON DARMS: I will read from the Inspired Word of God, in the Book of Revelation, the 21st chapter and a portion of the 22nd chapter, concluding with the 5th verse:

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the HOLY CITY, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a Bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God.

AND GOD SHALL WIPE ALL TEARS AWAY FROM THEIR EYES; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said unto me, Write; for these words are true and faithful.

And He said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son.

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the Bride, the Lamb's wife.

And he carried me away in the spirit to a great high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God.

Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.

And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.

And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

And he measured the wall thereof, a hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

And the building of the wall of it was of jasper; and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald;

The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

And the twelve gates were twelve pearls: every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the glory of the Lamb is the light thereof.

And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

The first five verses of the 22nd chapter:

And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him:

And they shall see His face; and His Name shall be in their foreheads.

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

May God add His blessing to the reading of His Word!

INVOCATION by the GENERAL OVERSEER:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, and in the Name of Jesus the Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, be sanctified unto the good of all present; O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

ADDRESS

GENERAL OVERSEER: Apostle Darms read to you the 21st chapter of the Book of Revelation, and five verses in the 22nd chapter. They ought to be read again.

We have here drawn for us the most wonderful, the most sublime, and the most important picture, ever drawn—drawn by Him Who in the beginning created the heavens and the earth, and Who—thanks be unto His glorious Name!—in His own time, in fulfillment of His wonderful Plan of Redemption, will renovate and subdue and purify and beautify this earth, making it far more wonderful and more beautiful than in the beginning.

The Bible Portrays the Story of Paradise Lost and Restored

I would have you carry home with you this thought, which I pray may linger with you continually: That in the very beginning of God's Word we have the sad story of Paradise lost; and in the closing chapters of the Book of Revelation we have the glad story of PARADISE RESTORED.

In one of the standard classical Greek works, which is read in most colleges, there appears this statement: "Things are the passages to their opposites;" and I know of no place where this truth is more clearly set forth, than in the Book of Revelation.

You are acquainted with the introduction, with the opening of the Seven Seals; and as we approach this wonderful picture,—the new heaven, the new earth, the Holy City, the new sphere of man's habitation, the new abode, the new conditions under which he will live—let us remember that the seven angels, holding the seven vials, have poured them out, creating awe and terror—scenes of famine, of war, and of death; and from that great extreme we pass at once to behold the picture which God brought before the beloved Apostle, in the new heaven, the new earth—the Holy City—the place where many of the things that now are will not be; the place where many things will be that now are not.

We have come to the place, as we turn our eyes upon this picture, where the war is over; the harlot has had judgment passed upon her; the dragon, so often mentioned, has been covered with defeat; the first and the second beasts have been cast into the lake of fire; Hades and death are no more; the resurrection is passed; the judgment is ended, and a voice is heard from the throne, saying, "Behold, I make all things new."

No Picture Excels that Drawn by Jehovah of a New Heaven and a New Earth

The prayer of my spirit this day has been, that in my ministry

I might be able to turn men and women away from this earthly scene, with its restlessness, with its sin, sickness, disease, death, pain, crying, and sorrow—and get them to fix their eyes upon that *wonderful picture*, compared with which the greatest picture ever painted by the world's greatest artists, sinks out of sight.

How much there has been written about the master-pieces of the world's renowned artists! How the newspapers have heralded far and wide the purchases, by multi-millionaires, of the richest and rarest pieces of art, from Europe! But I desire to emphasize here today, that all these works of art are as **NOTHING** compared to the picture upon which you can feast your eyes this afternoon—a picture drawn by the hand of Almighty God Himself—a picture, not of the first heaven nor of the first earth, not of the present heaven nor of the present earth; but a picture of the **NEW** heaven and the **NEW** earth, which shall be the habitation of the redeemed and the saved of the world, who have suffered here on this earth; and this same earth, rid of the curse, purified by the fires that shall burn in the Last Days, shall be the scene of that same Savior's mighty triumph over sin, sickness, death, and hell; and then it shall already have been written, "Death is swallowed up in victory."

How the warrior must rejoice when the last battle is fought and the armor is laid aside! How the traveler, crossing the sea, must rejoice when he reaches at last the haven of safety! And so this afternoon, I want **ZION**, by an eye of faith, to look in upon the **NEW** heaven and the **NEW** earth—the Holy City—the New Jerusalem; and then with renewed declarations of enmity against sin and sickness, death and hell, to pass forward a few fleeting years more, and enter into that which this afternoon you can see only by the eye of faith.

May God forbid that it should be necessary, before you will turn away from earthly things, and the fleeting things of time and sense,—may God forbid that it should be necessary for Him to have to bathe your cheeks in tears and wash your eyes, until freed from the things that now obscure, you will then turn them toward this beautiful picture, the **NEW** heaven and the **NEW** earth—the Holy City—the New Jerusalem.

If I can succeed this afternoon in one thing—turning your eyes from the earth, from gold and silver, from houses and lands, away to that eternal home—then I shall go from this platform feeling grateful to God, and knowing that I have rendered to you a valuable service for time and for Eternity.

A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH!

"Behold, I make all things new," says the voice from the Throne of God. Then He proceeds to draw a picture of this new state of purity and of bliss.

The New Jerusalem No Place for Evil or Evil-doers

As Apostle Darms read these chapters, I sat here and I wondered whether you noticed that into the new heaven and the new earth—the Holy City—the New Jerusalem, no coward, no unbeliever, no abominable, no whore mongers, no sorcerers, no idolaters, no liars—none of them shall enter through the gates into the Holy City.

He that lies, and loveth and maketh a lie shall never behold, he shall never enter into that eternal home which God will prepare for the redeemed.

May God help you to realize that the time has come when the separation must be complete. We were expected to have a little foretaste here, where God's people would gather, where there would be no citizen who was not a child of God, where there would be no inhabitant who was not looking for the coming of the King, where intoxicating liquors would never come, where the vile tobacco would never invade, and where the alien would be kept outside—but, alas, we must, today, in sorrow bow our heads—while we thank God for all that He has given us, for every good thing, and for every privilege and opportunity, we must bow our heads and say that even yesterday, men who were once Elders and Deacons joined hands with men who reeked in filth, whisky and tobacco, and cast their votes for an officer who would maintain the use of intoxicating liquor and the use of tobacco and every other vile thing out of hell within **ZION CITY**'s borders.

However, the time will come when the separation will be complete; for God's Word has declared it. Not one thing that defiles can enter into the New Jerusalem—the Holy City.

May God help me this afternoon, may God help you, to bow before His altar and put upon it our lives, our houses, our lands,

our silver and gold, our last drop of blood, to build the *first* **ZION CITY**—a City that shall stand *for* **THE KINGDOM OF GOD**, and *against* everything that is wrong. Then I believe, having taken part here, having sacrificed and toiled day and night, that home yonder will be all the sweeter and all the more precious to us—for having done what we could here to honor God and to build a City that should be a City of God.

John Alex. Dowie the Pioneer and Zion in the Lead of All Reforms

Oh, I do thank God this afternoon that **ZION** has led the way. In the Massachusetts legislature the other day, was introduced a bill, prohibiting the use of tobacco in all public places; and, as one writer said, should this bill pass and become a law, every one who steps upon the soil of the old Bay State will be greeted by a sign—"The Use of Tobacco prohibited Here."

I thank God that the legislature of Michigan, last week, passed a law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to and the use of cigarettes by any one under twenty-one years of age; and prohibiting any man from teaching in any state school, who uses cigarettes; and prohibiting any student from receiving a diploma or a degree from any school in the State of Michigan that receives state funds, if that student uses cigarettes.

I thank God that, in the State of Iowa, there is every evidence that the liquor traffic will be swept out by January 1, 1916. I praise God that Saturday night, last night, at six o'clock, eighty saloons in the City of Des Moines closed their doors.

I thank God that John Alexander Dowie was the pioneer, and I am glad to notice in different papers that editorial articles give him credit for having led the way in the fight against tobacco and against trashy literature; and may God help us to hold to our heritage, if it costs us our lives.

My brothers and sisters, we have a heritage in **ZION** which is worth all we have; it is worth our lives, if need be, to maintain it.

This afternoon I say, humbly and meekly, that I have given more than money—I have given my **HEART'S BLOOD** to save **ZION CITY**; and I say again, bowing before my Loving Heavenly Father, that had it not been for my toils and sacrifices, on the human side, you would have no **ZION CITY** this afternoon. If you do not realize it, then it is because you are not conversant with the facts; for it is true.

Oh, I say to you, God **HAS NOT** forsaken us!

Do you think God is dead?

Not so; and every transgressor, sooner or later, will have to pay the penalty for having turned his back upon the light.

ZION, our faces are toward **GOD**! Let us fight on as Christian men and women, with an eye single to God's glory, and we shall have **ZION CITY**; and the day will come, before we are called to that eternal home about which we have read, when we will have a **ZION CITY** free from liquid fire, free from tobacco, free from the vices of the world, and the **ZION Banner** will float triumphant over *all* of **ZION CITY** site; and every inhabitant will be a child of God, every house a house of prayer.

The Holy City Involves a New Environment, Government and Dispensation

If we are faithful God will never forsake us—He will see us through.

THE NEW HEAVEN and the **NEW EARTH**! What shall I say?—a *new environment*. Sometimes the word "heaven" is used of the surrounding atmosphere.

In Jewish writings we are told that there are *three heavens*—first, where the birds fly; second, where the stars are; third, where God's Throne is.

A NEW HEAVEN and **A NEW EARTH**—a *new environment*, so to speak, it seems to me is the best explanation.

A new government!

A new dispensation!

A spiritual movement that will correspond to the physical changes that will transpire on this earth as it passes through the fires of the Last Days.

"And I saw a *new heaven* and a *new earth*:" and not only a new heaven and a new earth, but "there was no more sea."

The lesson that was read to you is the wealthiest portion of God's Word in symbolism. Do you wonder that God the Almighty summoned, in these chapters, the wealthiest symbolism possible? for He was portraying the glory of the Holy City—the New Jerusalem.

and murderers, and idolaters, and whatsoever loveth and maketh a lie."

Then, again, the eighth verse of the twenty-first chapter:

"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

May God, by the Holy Spirit's power, burn these two verses into every heart here! May God help us to examine our hearts and lives this afternoon!

Do I belong to any of these classes? God forbid!

Do you belong to any of them?

May God forbid that there should be a man or a woman here who belongs to one or more of these classes!

Ah, if there should be one here, I plead with you to step over the line this afternoon! God is waiting to receive you, the angels have their harps all tuned and are waiting to rejoice over your repentance, and Christ reaches out loving hands which were pierced by the nails that were driven through them, and He PLEADS with you to come.

Will you do it?

Will you give your heart to God?

Not Carnal Weapons, but the Sword of the Spirit Used in Zion's Contests

Complete separation! That is what I would like to see. I love every one with a true love. I want to be kind to everybody. I am sorry, in the fight for ZION CITY, for her Principles, Truths, Ideas and Ideals, that anybody has had to be struck. You know I have always practised the doctrine of non-resistance. I have sent men to preach the gospel, and they were left upon the ground for dead, as were Apostle Royall and Apostle Peckham and I never allowed them to strike back.

Our weapons are not carnal, they are spiritual.

However, I cannot sit down here and see a drug store, a tobacco shop, a pool room, drunkards, and other vile things coming in here and say nothing. I must acquit myself like a man and I must stand up for the right, and if some one gets hurt I cannot help it. That is their fault, not mine.

I would stand as I do if I stood alone. I thank God for a loyal constituency. I thank God for this company, and I thank God for loyal supporters throughout this Country and in other lands. I thank God for their faithfulness—many of them are standing alone. I thank God for them, but I would stand just where I stand today—for purity, righteousness, and a clean City—if I had to stand alone.

That is the position you ought to take—STAND FOR GOD!

This City is to be built to be a light to the nations of the world. If you think there is no interest in ZION CITY, you have not been around very much. There is *great* interest in ZION CITY. There are multitudes who have their eyes upon ZION CITY watching to see whether we believe what we profess, whether we will live it, and whether we will consider this City worth putting our lives and our all into it in order to build it up. When we do it, multitudes will be saved and healed and blessed and prepared for the coming of the King.

What an opportunity!

Many Afflicted ones Looking to Zion for Teaching and Prayer

Do you not see the poor world? Do you see the sinful and the sick and the suffering and the dying? Oh, when I look at the prayer requests that come in from our workers! As I sat with my head bowed in grief in my home, and I went over the prayer requests, I noticed one from a young lady, twenty-one, who was taken to the hospital and operated upon, and she has forty-four holes in her body and has been sent home from the hospital to die.

Such are the results of operations!

Another request came from northern Ohio and was an awful story. And so I went through them all, and there were a number of them.

No doubt you noticed in the papers where that noted man was operated on in a hospital in Berlin, and he died.

And so they are drugging and cutting the people by the tens of thousands; and it is ZION's privilege to take the Message to them.

Now, because some one is prayed for and is not healed, that

does not make any difference. God does a great many things and permits many things that we do not understand.

How was it that God permitted Job to be afflicted from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet, when he was a perfect and an upright man? It was because Satan challenged the integrity of Job. He said, "Yes, you have hedged him about and You have protected him so that I cannot get at him, but You withdraw Your hand and let me touch his body, and You will see that he will curse You to Your face." God said, "He is in your hand, only save his life."

True Followers of the Christ Must needs Suffer Persecution

John the Baptist languished in the old castle of Machaerus. Did the Savior turn His hand to free him? The wicked old king, at the request of his adulterous spouse, sent and had the prophet's head cut off. God permitted it.

They took James and put him to death. God never turned His hand to deliver him. But when they put Peter in prison, God sent an angel to loosen the chains, let him out, open the gate and deliver him.

You go on with your work, and the Word of God rings clear and true, that the man who serves God and the man who lives for God is the man who comes under God's protection.

I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, some of you will never be tried very much; some of you will never be tested very much, because you do not amount to much.

As I told you once before, probably if I were not General Overseer, probably if I were sitting down there in a pew, or if I were in a corner somewhere, then perhaps I would not have to pass through a lot of things through which I pass. But you must look at my ministry; you must remember that my voice has rung around the world; that ZION's messages go into the United Kingdom, Europe, Asia, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, every state in the United States, Canada, and the Islands of the Sea. It is not a ministry in a corner, nor in a little building to seventy-five people.

You must remember what I told you once before, that I never expect to suffer as Christ suffered. No man can suffer as Christ suffered, because no man approximates to the goodness of Christ. The holier you are, the better you are, the more you will be persecuted—the more you will be tried in the fires.

Why God permits some things we cannot tell. We do not know. We do not have to know. One thing we know, that God is. We know that He sent Jesus the Christ and the Holy Ghost. We know the Bible is Inspired. We know we are marching on to glory. Let us stand by the Word of God and march right on from conquest to conquest and from victory to victory.

Zion's Issues Call for Christians with Strong Convictions

My brothers and sisters, ZION has an *issue*!

Do you not know, where there is no issue there is no battle! You will remember one time when there was a line drawn in this Country, known as Mason and Dixon's line, and all the people of the South, living in the North, went back South; and all of the people of the North living in the South went back North; and an issue was made, a battle was fought, a victory was won, and a *crown* was gained.

And so it is in God's battles. The line is drawn. On one side is God, Jesus the Christ, the Holy Ghost, life, health, Heaven, and everything that is pure and good; and on the other side is the devil, sin, sickness, death, hell, and everything that is foul and mean. And we will go to battle and we will fight manfully, and we will win the VICTORY; and at last we will gain the crown.

I desire to read to you just a few figures.

You notice what the Bible says here about this Holy City—about the twelve thousand stadia. The City of Alexandria was thirty stadia by ten; Jerusalem, in circuit, was three hundred thirty-three stadia; Thebes was forty-three; Ninevah, four hundred; Babylon, four hundred eighty; and the Holy City, *forty-eight thousand* stadia around it. Do you not see how the largest cities of the world sink out of sight in comparison with the dimensions of the Holy City of God—the New Jerusalem.

Just a few words now as to what we have here that we will not have there.

This is a sad world.

I often say to people, "Oh, what a beautiful world!" This is a beautiful world! If you have traveled any around this

country and other countries, how often you have exclaimed, "Oh, isn't it wonderful!"

The majestic mountains!

I do not know of anything in nature that so proclaims the grandeur and the majesty of God as the towering mountain peaks, snow capped.

Wonderful!

What a beautiful world!

Was it not beautiful a week or more ago when everything was draped in ice! As one editorial note said, "Today everybody can have diamonds." The trees, the vines,—the whole earth was draped in ice, glistening white. Oh, what a beautiful sight!

And then to walk out on a clear, moonlit night to study the stars and the planets and the moon! Oh, think of it! Think of it!

A beautiful world!

If there were no sin here, and no sickness and no disease and no sorrow and no death, oh, what a beautiful world it would be! But it is under the curse.

Now listen! Here are some of the things that are ever with us here, that will have no place in the New Earth and the New Heaven, and no place in the New Jerusalem—the Holy City.

Death, Everywhere Prevalent upon Earth, has no Place in the Holy City

No more death!

The Bible says, "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." And so He will. Oh, will not that be a blessed time?

I remember reading more than twenty-five years ago these words: "The pathway of life, from the cradle to the grave, is moistened with tears; from the first anguish of the new-born babe to the gray hairs that go down sorrowing to the grave."

And that is true.

Death is a terrible thing! Oh, how I hate death! But it is appointed unto all men to die and, should the Lord tarry, you and I, all of us, will die—depart from this world.

Everywhere in the Bible Death is referred to as our enemy.

The wages of sin is death. (Romans 6:23)

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. (I Corinthians 15:56)

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)

In this body are perishable elements. In this body are those things that make it subject, more or less, to a climate that is under the curse and to a hundred and one things. Life is a battle from the time we are born until the spirit goes out of the body. You know that as well as I do.

In the New Jerusalem there will be no more death.

Why?

Because we will have glorified bodies that cannot be attacked. There will not be in them one element that is perishable. They will be like unto the body that Christ has this afternoon. They will be bloodless bodies. Flesh and blood cannot inherit THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

"And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying,"—that will be glorious, will it not?

My brothers and sisters in Christ, the Bible does not say we are not to sorrow for our loved ones. It does not say anything of the kind. The Bible does not say we are not to shed any tears. No!

I thank and praise my God that there is a great and deep fountain of love in my heart. I thank my God that there is a deep well of sympathy for poor humanity in my heart.

The Bible says we are not to sorrow as THOSE WHO HAVE NO HOPE! That is what it says.

There is lots of sorrow here, and lots of mourning, but when we get over yonder to the New Jerusalem there will be no more death and no more mourning and no more crying. Thank God that joy will never have a shadow and there will be an eternal day that will never see a cloud.

No Sickness or Pain to be Experienced by the Nations that are Saved

What is next?

"—Neither shall there be any more pain."

O my God, my God, how some suffer in this life! It breaks my heart when I see the way some are afflicted and how they

suffer. Who but the dirty, foul devil could ever have been the author of a cancer? Who but he could ever have been the author of consumption? Who but he could ever have created small-pox, scarlet fever, diphtheria, and all other foul and loathsome diseases? They are a part of the curse. Horrible! Horrible!

I have prayed many times, every day for many days, that God would help this entire Church to throw themselves as never before into His loving arms for His care and protection.

My brothers and sisters, when we are living our best, it is poor enough. It is poor enough.

Do not boast, my brother. Do not boast, my sister. It we were all perfect, why, then we would not need any trials nor any discipline; but we are not perfect. And I know that if I am to be an inhabitant of that Holy City, if I am to be a member of the Church without spot or wrinkle, then I have to be tried in the fire and made every whit whole and whiter than snow. And so do you.

Now, the question is; Are you willing to pay the price? The prize is there, and you know what you have to do in order to get it. Are you willing to do it? God knows my heart and, so far as I know my heart, I am willing to pay the price; and I want to do it.

No pain, no suffering, no disappointments—oh, no! Thank God there will be no more death, no more mourning, no more crying, no more pain, and no more curse.

Think of that! The whole curse shall be lifted.

And then it says, "And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth."

And again, "There shall be no night there." I cannot say anything about this, for I do not know what it means. "No night there"—you just think of that! "No night there"—eternal day—no night.

The Worship in Heaven will be Without Forms or Channels or Ceremonies

Then there is the expression, "And I saw no temple therein." Now, I do know a little about that. There will not be any temple needed, nor any forms of worship. Worship there will be absolutely pure. Here we have to have forms. We are poor, weak, finite creatures, and the only way we can worship God is formally. But over there every foot of ground will be holy ground, and every moment will be sacred. We will not have to have any special days or seasons for worshiping God; for we will serve God *all the time* and in *every* place.

No temple, no forms of worship, no light of the sun,—think of that! No light of the sun! God is the Light! Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world."—He was *God*. There will be no need of any medium—that all will be done away with. There will not be any more passing of God's bounties through channels; they will come direct from Him.

Did you notice what it said back there? What did it say?—"Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God."

That is the finality of the Plan of Redemption—a perfect and absolute restoration of the relations and the fellowship between man and God.

No temple there, and no night there, and no need of the light of the sun, nor for any of the lights that men make—*God Himself is the Light*.

I have been telling you of the things that will not be there, and now I desire to mention some of the things that *will* be there.

Oh, praise God!

How often you have said, "Oh, sickness and sorrow and suffering and death, may God hasten the day when they will all be over!"

The day is coming, thank God, when it will all be over!

Here are some of the things that will be there that are not here.

A Description Given of the Wonderful Things found in the Holy City

A "River of Water of Life."

There was a River in the Garden of Eden, was there not? And there is going to be a River in the Holy City—the New Jerusalem; and there is going to be a Tree there—a Tree of Life. There was a Tree in the Garden of Eden—a Tree of Life; but they were prevented from eating of it.

by the power of the indwelling Spirit, we do willingly under grace what was demanded of us under the law. But we keep the law and do so through love and not through fear.

Christ in giving the Pharisees an answer to the question, "Which is the great commandment in the law?" said,

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

On these two commandments HANG all the LAW and the PROPHETS. (Matthew 22:36-40)

Being under grace will not free any man from the obligation to keep the law. In fact, the law will be more highly exalted, and he will do more under grace than the law requires.

During the Christian era tithing practically ceased.

Tithing was restored by God's prophet, John Alexander Dowie, among many other things. One of the greatest miracles wrought by John Alexander Dowie's mighty ministry, was that of getting thousands of people to pay tithes. Humanity, for the most part, is composed of money lovers, and covetousness keeps many from obeying God's command.

No one will prosper very long who fails to obey the command of God:

"BRING YE ALL THE TITHES INTO THE STOREHOUSE"

The people who fall back and go away from ZION are mostly those who have been unfaithful in paying tithes into the storehouse.

Disobedience in tithing lies at the bottom of many of the troubles and much of the distress and sickness among God's people.

Let those who cannot understand why they are not healed, and why they have so much trouble and have not prosperity, examine their tithe record. God's Word says: "Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation."

After an experience of twenty years in paying tithes, I can truthfully say that it pays to pay tithes and to give offerings. The tithe is a debt which we owe to God for:

"IT IS THE LORD'S: IT IS HOLY UNTO THE LORD.

THE TENTH SHALL BE HOLY UNTO THE LORD." (Leviticus 27:30, 32)

So we cannot make an offering to our God until after we have paid Him all the tithe.

There is great joy in paying tithes.

ALL TITHES MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE PLACE APPOINTED,
GOD'S STOREHOUSE IN ZION

But unto the PLACE which the Lord your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put His Name there, even unto His habitation shall ye seek, and THITHER thou shalt come,

And THITHER ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, AND YOUR TITHES, and heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks. (Deuteronomy 12:5, 6)

Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, and the field bringeth forth year by year.

And thou shalt eat before the Lord thy God, in the PLACE which He shall choose to PLACE His Name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the Lord thy God always.

And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; or if the place be too far from thee, which the Lord thy God shall choose to set His Name there, when the Lord thy God hath blessed thee:

Then shalt thou turn it into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the PLACE which the Lord thy God shall choose. (Deuteronomy 14:22-25)

Bring ye all the tithe into the STOREHOUSE. ** (Malachi 3:10)

We cannot do as we like with our tithes - using them here, and there, and everywhere. The place is appointed, and there the tithes and offerings must be brought. It is not a question as to what we think; we have no choice in the matter. All we are responsible for is obedience to the command, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." We have no responsibility as to what is done with the tithes, for they are not ours but God's, and the responsibility of their use rests upon His servant who administers the affairs of ZION.

THE TITHE MUST BE PAID THE FIRST THING OF ALL

God requires the "first" fruits. The tithe must be taken out before anything else is done. Otherwise the whole may be spent and nothing be left with which to pay tithes. If this is done, then we never would be able to pay tithes, for there is no limit to what may be spent on ourselves and others. The only safe way is to take the tithe out in the very beginning.

Do not say, "I cannot afford to pay tithes." God has not told you to do a thing you are not able to do. We know by experience that after paying God His tenth, the remaining nine tenths, with the blessing of God, will go farther than the ten tenths will go, without the blessing of God. In fact, not only is the blessing of God withheld, but a "curse" comes upon us if we withhold tithes, and in the sight of God we are "robbers."

Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have "robbed" Me, even this whole nation. (Malachi 3:9)

Likewise the "blessing" of God is very great upon us when we obey in tithing, as many in ZION will testify.

We have traced Tithing down through the books of the Bible; all must see how strongly God has spoken, and that it is His law for all ages.

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple:

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes:

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Moreover, by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward. (Psalm 19:7-11)

FAITHFULNESS IN TITHING WILL BRING PROSPERITY IN ZION

And when all ZION is faithful in paying tithes, and in giving offerings, then she will go forward with mighty strides, and be victorious along both financial and spiritual lines.

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. (Malachi 3:10)

THIS BOOK OF THE LAW SHALL NOT DEPART OUT OF THY MOUTH; BUT THOU SHALT MEDITATE THEREIN DAY AND NIGHT; THAT THOU MAYEST OBSERVE TO DO ACCORDING TO ALL THAT IS WRITTEN THEREIN: FOR THEN THOU SHALT MAKE THY WAY PROSPEROUS, AND THEN THOU SHALT HAVE GOOD SUCCESS. (Joshua 1:8)

ZION IN CHICAGO

Central Zion Tabernacle

Michigan Avenue and 26th Street

Get off at 26th Street

MEETINGS

EVERY LORD'S DAY

1:30 P. M. Bible School.

3:00 P. M. Principal Meeting.

8:00 P. M. Evangelistic Meeting.

Special Meeting for the Teaching and Prayer
with the Sick, Every Tuesday at 3:00 P. M.

Praise, Prayer, and Testimony Meeting, Every
Tuesday at 8:00 P. M. :: :: :: ::

ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION HOME is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION HOME is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.



ZION HOME

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, renovating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION HOME.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

ZION Schools — Kindergarten, Junior School, and Preparatory Department—will open, God willing, Monday, September 18, 1916.

We are grateful to God for the intense interest shown, not only by the officers and members in ZION CITY, but by many outside of ZION CITY.

The main Educational Building, consisting of four floors, is being thoroughly cleaned and put into proper shape for the opening on Monday, September 18th.

We ask the officers, members, and friends of ZION everywhere, to pray earnestly for this important work.

We sincerely thank, in the Name of the Lord, all of the brothers and sisters in Christ who have voluntarily sent money for the support of the schools.

As already announced, the plan—and it is truly in accordance with the principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools; this assessment to be made, after very earnest prayer, on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each and every one.

The assessment, when made,—and it will be made within the next week or ten days—will cover a period of twelve months, and the assessment may be paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly in advance, or semi-annually in advance.

A number have not waited for this plan to be put into effect, but have voluntarily sent in the following amounts:

CASH	
No. 1	\$ 5.00
No. 2	20.00
No. 3	5.00
No. 4	10.00
No. 5	5.00
No. 6	5.00
No. 7	10.00
No. 8	10.00
No. 9	10.00
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No. 12	10.00
No. 13	5.00
No. 14	5.00
No. 15	1.00
No. 16	1.00
No. 17	7.50
No. 18	25.00
No. 19	5.00
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No. 38	5.00
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No. 40	5.00
No. 41	1.00
No. 42	2.00
No. 43	5.00
No. 44	20.00

CASH	
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No. 78	1.00
No. 79	2.00
No. 80	92.50
No. 81	5.00
No. 82	5.00
No. 83	5.00
No. 84	10.00
No. 85	1.00
No. 86	5.00
No. 87	10.00
No. 88	10.00
No. 89	5.00

ZION JUNIOR SCHOOLS

Primary Division

FIRST YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	Music
Numbers	Art
Handwork	

SECOND YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	
Numbers	Music
Handwork	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

THIRD YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	
Arithmetic	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

FOURTH YEAR—

Bible	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

Departmental Division

FIFTH YEAR—

Bible	
History and	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	
Writing	

SIXTH YEAR—

Bible	
History and	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Geography	Music
Language	Art
Spelling	Right Living
Writing	

SEVENTH YEAR—

Bible and	
Zion Literature	
History and	
Reading	
Arithmetic	
Grammar	Music
Geography	Art
Spelling	Right Living
Writing	

EIGHTH YEAR—

Bible and	
Zion History	
Arithmetic	
History and	
Literature	
Grammar and	Music
Composition	Art
Geography	Sewing and
Spelling	Construction work
Writing	

Course of Study Zion Preparatory College

FIRST YEAR

Bible	Bible
Algebra 5	Algebra 5
English 5	English 5
Latin 5	Latin 5
Botany 3	Botany 3

SECOND YEAR

Bible	Bible
Geometry 5	Geometry 5
English 5	English 5
Latin 5	Latin 5
Practical Law 3	Bookkeeping 3

THIRD YEAR

Bible and	Bible and
Zion Literature	Zion Literature
Ancient History 5	Medieval History 5
English 5	English 5
Caesar 5	Caesar 5
Practical Law 3	Bookkeeping 3

FOURTH YEAR

Bible and	Bible and
Zion Literature	Zion Literature
Modern History 3	American History 3
English 5	English 5
Physics 5	Physics 5
Civil Government 5	Arithmetic 5

NOTE: Domestic Science, Art, Manual Training, and Music offered in each year.
Owing to Miss Stark's absence German will not be offered until next year.

THE QUESTION IS OFTEN ASKED: How shall I live? How shall I live so as to make the most of my life and put it to the best use? Life is opportunity. Do you live in some great city, in the midst of noise and haste and do you desire to know the thoughts of God, of purity and have you high resolves and do you wish to do something for God and do not know just how to begin? Are you tired and weary of the world and its ways and do you desire to know the secrets of life and the mysteries of God?

HAVE YOU REALIZED that higher things must be done than you have as yet done and are you still unsettled as to how you shall invest your time, your brains and your earnings, your money so as to accomplish the most good for God and for humanity? Have you sought to be a hero or heroine, your aim and purpose being to glorify God? Let me say: Now is the day of Salvation and Day of Doom for Selfishness. In the Name of the Most High God do something for God and for the human family. Communicate at once with ZION, the Headquarters in ZION CITY, Illinois, and make known your desires. God is leading you and blessings will follow.

HAS LIFE BEEN a great mystery to you? and are you still wondering what it is all about? Why this mad rush after gold? And tomorrow you die! Only yesterday a man said to me, "I have been away from my family for years trying to sell my land, so I can go home and settle down and live a quiet life." At that time he was seventy and more years of age and some one said had pots of money. Today his land lies there to be used by others and he has only six feet of earth in the cemetery.

LIFE IS FULL OF BEAUTY and full of that which is hideous. And you can choose what is good or what is evil. And if you prefer darkness to light, lies instead of truth, hatred instead of love, war instead of peace, worldly pleasure instead of real joy, you do not lack opportunities. But if you are filled with God you will hate sin and love the sinner. You will hate disease and love the sufferer. You will hate evil and love the evildoer. You perhaps realize that the real idle are oppressed by a sense of fatigue, and are tiresome to themselves and to everyone else.

GREED HAS LED to this world-wide struggle, so cruel that it is impossible to describe it. Greed makes criminals and fills the jails and work houses and takes away the liberties of humanity. Greed causes nations to spend millions in armies to protect themselves from one another. Greed has caused the nations to go on a drunk with lust for conquest and lust for gold and lust for power. Greed causes civilized men to act worse than savages in lands of cannibals or tyrants.

ZION AND ZION CITY is but a name for Opportunity for you today. Have you come to see that the worst misfortune is not to have Faith in God and man, and to have no self respect nor desire for what is great and good and wise and noble? Do you realize that you partake in a certain measure of the nature of God, the Eternal Being and that Faith in Him means all that there is to Life? Have you thus far thrown away your life and committed a great crime thereby? Are you weary of everything? Are you weary of labor and of rest, of pleasure and of success, do you weary of the company of friends and of your own company, too?

HAVE THE SENSUAL THOUGHTS and desires which you have entertained come to be a great burden and a blight to you and do you long for real rest? God is the Giver of Life. If you have come to see that all is from God and for Him, and will turn wholly to Him, then you need not be filled with apprehension because there are little ripples on the little pond where the Life-boat rests. When the Lord Jesus established His Church, He established an organization that was intended to destroy every other organization in existence.

THE PURPOSE OF ZION is to unfold God's Love and call people to Repentance and to show to the world the erroneous teaching and hypocrisy in the world. God has always called and prepared His Messengers to proclaim at the proper time the message given by Himself. And ZION says today that the churches are apostate and filled with the world, that they have failed to carry out the Commission of the Lord Jesus the Christ. While there are multitudes of people in these churches who have not bowed the knee to Baal, they are oppressed and deceived by their leaders.

TO BEGGERS, TO FISHERMEN AND SHEPHERDS the Great Master spoke the words which still resound throughout the ages, and still awaken hearts that were dead with echoes from another world. Throw yourself resolutely and with perseverance into His Way and you will find Rest for your weary sin-sick and disease-smitten self. Do you feel the pulsings of the world that is weary with its own ways and knows nothing of sympathy? Have Faith in God. Have Divine Love. Have Pity for All. Have Hope in God. The occurrences of the day are but what the Athenians were looking for. Simply bubbles which burst in the vacant air.

OUR GOD IS A CONSUMING FIRE. Oh God, let all Evil be destroyed, and let THY KINGDOM be established! — which means that God must rule. The Christ must "reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet."—I. Corinthians 15:25.

Faith, Love, Hope, Charity grow in hearts given wholly to God.

No Man Can Serve Two Masters

Report of the Address Delivered by Apostle Anton Darms, in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., Lord's Day Afternoon, November 28, 1915.

Reported by E. I. Carey

PROCESSIONAL by the ZION WHITE-ROBED CHOIR—"COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME."

Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of Harvest-Home:
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's Own temple, come,
Raise the song of Harvest-Home.

All the world is God's Own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown:
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take His harvest home;
From His field shall in that day
All offences purge away;
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In His Garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
To Thy final Harvest-Home!
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There for ever purified,
In Thy Presence to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels, come;
Raise the glorious Harvest-Home.

INVOCATION by APOSTLE DARMS:

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us, that Thy Way may be known upon the earth, Thy Saving Health among all the nations; for the sake of Jesus. Amen.

Let us begin this service by singing HYMN No. 328—"LABOR ON!"

In the harvest field there is work to do,
For the grain is ripe, and the reapers few;
And the Master's voice bids the workers true
Heed the call that He gives today.

CHORUS.—

Labor on! Labor on!
Keep the bright reward in view;
For the Master has said,
He will strength renew;
Labor on till the close of day!

Crowd the garner well with its sheaves all bright,
Let the song be glad, and the heart be light;
Fill the precious hours, ere the shades of night
Take the place of the golden day.

In the gleaner's path may be rich reward,
Tho' the time seems long, and the labor hard;
For the Master's joy, with His chosen shared,
Drives the gloom from the darkest day.

Lo! the Harvest Home in the realms above
Shall be gained by each who has toiled and strove,
When the Master's voice, in its tones of love,
Calls away to eternal day.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

ELDER TAYLOR: I will read from the Word of God, first in the Twenty-fifth Chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, from the Fourteenth to the Thirtieth Verses, inclusive.

The Kingdom of Heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.

And likewise he who had received two, he also gained other two. But he who had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

After a long time the lord of those servants cometh and reckoneth with them.

And so he who had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

He also who had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

Then he who had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art a hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strewed:

And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strewed:

Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the ex-changers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him who hath ten talents.

For unto every one who hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him who hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

The second lesson you will find in the Nineteenth Chapter of the Gospel of St. Luke, from the Eleventh to the Twenty-seventh Verses, inclusive.

And as they heard these things, He added and spake a parable, because He was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the Kingdom of God should immediately appear.

He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.

And he called his ten servants, and delivered unto them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us.

And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.

Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.

And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.

And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.

And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.

And another came, saying, Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin:

talent and hidden it in the earth, and he said to his lord, "Here thou hast that is thine. Here it is; I have returned it all to you. You cannot punish me; you cannot accuse me of using it for anything that was vile or corrupt. I return the talent just as you gave it to me."

However, the lord did not want the talent returned as it was given to the servant. He wanted some faithful service rendered—some accumulation, some growth, some expansion, some development of the talent that had been given to this servant.

The Slothful Servant Accuses his Lord of Severity

Then the one talent was given to the servant to whom the five talents had been committed.

God is as exacting with a person of small capacities as He is with a person of large capacities.

If all the people in ZION, no matter how humble their position may be, will do what they can in the use of their time and talents; in the use of their money, of their houses, and of their lands, and put them all upon the altar for God and for ZION, the little drops will develop into streams of blessing, and God's work will go forward in the establishment of ZION and of His KINGDOM.

Underneath the unfaithful service rendered by this slothful servant, who hid his talent in the earth; and underneath the unfaithful service of the servant, who hid his pound in the napkin, was a wrong conception of their lord as a hard taskmaster.

Instead of looking upon God as a Loving Father and a Just Master, the unfaithful servant looks upon Him as a hard Taskmaster—one for whom he must work and use his time and talents and money, and have nothing left.

The result of the unfaithful servant's actions was, that when the day of reckoning came, the one talent that he had was taken away, and he was left with nothing.

It will be the same with the people throughout this and other lands, if they have failed to hear the call of God and of ZION to lay their all upon the altar—their silver and gold—in obedience to the prophet of God, for the establishment of a clean city, where the use of tobacco and liquor and other vile and wicked things shall be kept out. The people who have hidden their talent in the earth—in Chicago, in New York, in Paris, in Berlin, in this land and in that land—and who have refused to obey the call of God to bring it into ZION, will suffer the results, which will come in fulfillment of prophecy: "The cities of the nations shall fall."

The result of your faithful service—the giving of what God has put into your hands and laying it all down upon the altar for God and for ZION—will be that God will bless His cities through prosperity, and that they shall be spread abroad.

The Building of a Zion City Richly Blessed of God

While today we have but one little City, near the blue waters of Lake Michigan, the time is coming, through your faithful service and my faithful service, when—having used the talents for our Absent Master, for the Coming Christ and King; having used all that we have received for the honor and the glory of God—the Lord will say to His people, to ZION, His chosen habitation; to ZION, the refuge of His people:

Thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will set thee over much. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Oh, what joy will prevail when the King shall come; when we shall hear the trumpet sound of the archangel; when the King shall come to give the reward to His own—to those who have been faithful in the establishment of His KINGDOM!

Would you not then, my brother and sister, wish that you had lived the life which I proclaim today—a life of faithful service to the Christ alone, with all that you have—with all your time, your talents, your money, and your houses and lands?

Would you wish, then, that you had not looked upon God and upon His servant as hard taskmasters, when the call was made from ZION to lay everything upon the altar?

You would wish, would you not, that you had not said, "You are trying to get something from me that you have no business to get; you are trying to reap where you have not sown. I have toiled, I have worked for this farm and for this house; and I want to lay up something for a rainy day—something for myself and for my family?"—Yes, but not for God and for His KINGDOM; and you will lose your reward, because you are an unprofitable servant—unprofitable because you are concerned in

the cares of this world, instead of in the establishment of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

If you have been faithful, the Lord will say to you: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." And the talent will be taken from the unprofitable servant and given unto the man with the ten talents—for "unto every one who hath shall be given; and from him who hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him."

The gold and silver that are being wasted today upon the altar of Baal, upon the altar of suffering and bloodshed, shall some day be used for the glory of God, and for the establishment of His KINGDOM; and the resources that are being wasted today by the nations of the earth, some day shall be given to those who have been faithful, and to those who are faithful in ZION today.

The Great Reward Promised the Saints of God for their Faithfulness

In closing, the words of Jesus to His disciples come to my mind:

Ye who have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of His glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.—Matthew 19:28.

You have denied yourself!

You have sacrificed all!

You have lived a life of suffering!

You have toiled and labored throughout all these years!

It seemed to you as though you were doing it in vain; as though you accomplished nothing—but the day will come when you will "sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

This applies to every saint of God, for the promise is given to all alike—that His saints shall rule with Him.

While you are a servant now, some day the Master will come and sit down and *serve you*; while today you may be the least, the most humble—a "little flock," as the Lord says—be of good cheer, for IT IS YOUR FATHER'S WILL TO GIVE YOU THE KINGDOM.

Let all who desire to be found faithful in that day, having lived this life; and who will do all that is within their power for the extension of His KINGDOM, by laying upon the altar their lives—their talents, their capacities, every power that God has given them, and their money—for this Gospel includes the use of your money, as these parables teach; and I have a right, as God's servant today, to demand it of you in this call—stand and tell God so.

The Congregation then stood and repeated after Apostle Darms the

CONSECRATION PRAYER

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. Take me as I am. Make me what I ought to be, in spirit, in soul, and in body.

Wherein I have fallen short in the use of my life and talents and possessions, wilt Thou forgive me, O Father. Help me, as never before, to lay my entire life, and all my time, my talents, and possessions, upon the altar, to be used only for the honor and glory of God, and for the establishment of His Kingdom upon the earth: that I may be found faithful in the great day of reckoning, when Christ shall come to reward His own. In His Name and for His sake I ask it, Amen.

The people then remained standing while the CHOIR sang in RECESSIONAL—"LORD, DISMISS US WITH THY BLESSING."

BENEDICTION by APOSTLE DARMS:

Beloved, abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He Who calleth you, Who also will do it.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit be with you, and with all of God's Israel everywhere, in the Name of Jesus and for His sake. Amen.

Zion's Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles

Report of Address Delivered by Elder Samuel F. Huston and Deacon Wm. M. Wigham, at the Meeting Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A., Saturday Morning, July 8, 1916.

Reported by E. I. Carey

ELDER SAMUEL F. HUSTON

General Overseer and Brothers and Sisters: I trust you all realize the importance of this Feast of Tabernacles—in fact, of every Feast of Tabernacles. This is the most important gathering on the face of the earth. That is how I feel about it; that is the way I feel about every ZION meeting.

As one woman said, "It doesn't matter to me who is going to preach: I know it is a ZION meeting, and that it is my place and my business to be there."

That is the way I often announce the meetings on the streets of Chicago. It is a great privilege to announce the General Overseer's meetings and give out the literature, and to tell them that Dr. Dowie's successor will preach at three o'clock Lord's Day afternoon—the most important meeting in the city of Chicago; yes, on the face of the earth.

I hope all ZION people realize in their hearts that that is true.

There is nothing that can compare in importance with ZION CITY and ZION meetings. The electing of a president or some other high official is as nothing compared with ZION and ZION CITY.

Zion is the Most Important Thing on the Face of the Earth

That is a fact! Perhaps you have never realized it; but truth is truth before it is spoken.

I praise God that I am able to be here at this Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, and I praise and thank Him that I have a part in the work out in the field.

Chicago is a great field. There is so much to do—and so few to do it.

I praise God that He has put these open-air services upon my heart, for there are so few who care to lead them, and it just suits me. I praise God for that, and I praise Him that we can go out in the various parts of the city and read God's Word. I do not think there is any ordinance to keep us from going up and down the streets and reading the Word of God, or telling the people about ZION, or singing a hymn.

We have great times. The calls are coming in, and some want to know God better.

Some who are, you might say, merely existing, and not LIVING, do want better surroundings.

We have entered places called homes, where we did not even want to touch the walls, or the doors, or the furniture; but we minister gladly to them.

We have been in some of the best homes in the city—palaces—where everything was grand. When I think of the hundreds and thousands of dollars wasted by the owners of those places, it brings before my mind the poor people, many of whom do not even have the necessities of life.

One day we received a call from a house on Wabash Avenue. We went to see what was wanted, and we found a poor woman and her son, eighteen years of age. He had had an attack of rheumatism, and had lost his place in the factory. The poor woman was unable to work, and she looked as if she did not have a drop of blood in her body. She could hardly walk, and when she did, she had to use crutches.

They had nothing to eat, but some of our people took care of them and helped them, and during the last two weeks she has started working, and she has given up her crutches. We must get those crutches to put on the walls of the Tabernacle in Chicago. A number of trophies are being gathered down there.

The Terrible Curse of the Tobacco Habit

In Chicago, \$100,000 a day is spent for tobacco and cigars

—to say nothing of the pipes and cigarettes. Why, it is said that if the cigarettes manufactured were placed end to end, they would girdle the earth twenty-two times—almost twenty-three.

We are going along nicely in Chicago, and the street meetings are glorious. The people are coming. Some stand there by the hour and listen to what is said.

The other evening, a man wanted to make a disturbance, and some one called out to him and said, "You keep quiet there and let the man talk. We want to hear what he has to say. We did not come out here to listen to you." The people often take our part.

There is a certain work to be done, and ZION is the only organization that can do it.

People are coming in from the street meetings. Two Baptists came to the Tabernacle a week ago. One came from the Congress street meeting. The other came down to hear the General Overseer, and stayed for the evening meeting; and he decided to be baptized.

Last fall, some of the first street meetings we held were at 28th Street and Cottage Grove Avenue. The captain there wanted to encourage such meetings—especially around that corner.

One young lady came over from the hospital nearby. I remember having seen her stand there at every meeting.

If I had been speaking in a whisper, she would not have come over.

Now, this spring she was at every street meeting, and she was baptized about a week ago, and is coming out next week to the Feast of Tabernacles. She is going to leave the hospital, where she cuts pies, or hands out the food. She has nothing to do with the medicine.

She is very happy, and I ask you to pray for her.

There are so many things to say and do!

This young woman said that she told the nuns in the hospital that when she was about nine years old she was almost blind, and she went to Dr. Dowie's meetings and received her healing.

"Yes," they said, "we need to have more faith."

She is holding her own with them, but she intends to leave there and work somewhere else.

The Blessing of Witnessing for God and Zion

I praise God for what has been done in Chicago.

We have varied experiences.

We called at one home early one morning. They had sent in a call, asking if we could come by seven or eight o'clock. When we reached there, we found a sick boy. His mother wanted to trust God for his healing.

We had been there only a short time when the father came rushing in. He was a great big seven-footer—a policeman. He asked us to come in, saying that his doctor would be in in a few minutes.

I could see that the wife had been the one who had sent for us, and that the husband knew nothing about it.

She said: "This is not a doctor: this is a minister whom I have called to come to pray with the child."

"Oh," he said. "What church?"

"ZION."

"None of that in here," he said; and he turned to her and just lashed her with his tongue.

"Those men cannot come in this house," he told her. "You must not have them in here. Do you believe as they do?"

"Yes, I believe in God," she said.

"You can have a dozen doctors in here."

"I don't want doctors," she replied. "I want them to pray a little prayer."

"No, sir! Not in here! If you believe as they do, go and join them, and stay there. That will separate us. That is all there is to it!"

He shook his fist in our faces and ground his teeth, and told his wife to go.

"I don't want the Bible around at all," he said.

She said, "Won't you gratify him by letting a prayer be offered?"

"No! You go down there and stay there!"

He needed the prayers worse than the boy did.

About a week afterwards, she telephoned to us, asking us to pray for her, and stating that her husband needed prayers worse than the boy did, as he was consulting the clairvoyants—familiar spirits.

The mother wanted to trust in God as the Healer of her child, and the father cursed her and did not want the Bible and prayer in the home.

The mother of the child is standing true, and needs our prayers.

These are some of the things that we discover as we go on our way.

It rejoices my heart to conduct the street meetings in Chicago. That is what I like to do, and that is what I *am* doing. I want to do more for God, and I wish you would pray that He will keep me well and strong.

As a rule, I feel far better at the close of a street meeting than I do at the beginning.

As I said before, there are some things to be done which only ZION can do. You will find very few who protest against the common evils of the day.

There is very little printed matter on the liquor and tobacco questions—especially tobacco. There is very little said against tobacco, although I have one book.

Zion's Mission to Protest Against Iniquity

There is a great need of some one who will protest against these things.

When I was in the car on my way to the meeting, a soldier came and sat beside me and lit a cigarette. I said: "Look here, young man,—no smoking in here; it is against the rules."

He said, "You attend to your own business."

"I am attending to my business. My business is to see that you don't smoke in here." The other people in the car heard it, too. He didn't smoke after that.

There is the trouble—there is no one to raise a word of protest.

There ought to be a law to prevent people from living like hogs all their lives.

Hogs would not think of smoking cigars and cigarettes and pipes—they have better sense.

I tell them in the street meetings: "You are cutting your life short."

Why, tobacco has three different poisons in it—three deadly poisons; and yet they soak it into their bodies. It is a wonder to me more people do not drop dead. Think of the way they smoke and drink and carry on!

The General Overseer tells us that when he opens his campaign in Chicago this fall he is going to give them cannon balls, whereas he has only given them bird-shot before.

The General Overseer is going to stand Chicago on her head. We will give the warning that he is coming, so that the people may get ready.

Zion can give this Old World what she Needs!

As Dr. Dowie used to say years ago: "If you elders don't get the fire into you, I will pour it into you, so that you will go out and cannonade them, bombard them, and give it to them. Get it into your hearts!"

That is what we must do!

Some people say to me, "Don't talk so loudly! Talk like other preachers do."

I want them to hear me—and they do hear, blocks away.

I thank God for good lungs, a good heart, and a good stomach.

I tell you, the fire is in there, and it has to come out!

A lot of church members do not know where they are, or what they are doing, or where they are going; and they need to be brought out of their darkness!

They need to get to God!

Chicago is an ungodly, wicked city! Why, wickedness is all you can see—it is anywhere and everywhere, all about you. It is in the atmosphere.

Now and then you meet one of God's children, but, for the most part, the people are very wicked.

We should send out the message in a strong and powerful way—and our leader is able to do it.

They have not forgotten John Alexander Dowie. They remember him. And although he has passed away, ZION is going on, and they cannot keep her quiet.

We are not going to keep quiet!

When the eagle tears the nest away from the young birds, they are compelled to fly out.

It would do some of you good to have your nests torn away from you, and then you would get out and DO SOMETHING.

Get some life into you!

Get the Spirit of God into you—and then you will not be able to keep from working.

As the General Overseer says, you do not have to coax a good, live apple tree in order to make it bear apples.

ZION people do not realize their opportunities in this work.

You do not know what may be the results when you write a letter or send out a message.

The woman who gave up her crutches of whom I spoke this evening, said that the seventies came there and gave her an announcement of the General Overseer's meetings, and that it was a great blessing to her.

Wonderful Blessings Received through Zion's Message

It is because of three little tracts that I am in ZION today. Next month will be my twenty-seventh anniversary in ZION. I came to ZION before the Christian Catholic Church was organized.

God caused those three little tracts to come all the way from California to Winfield, Kansas, before most of you people knew that there was such a person as Dr. Dowie. I was just thirty years old at the time. The General Overseer was about sixteen or seventeen—but he isn't to blame for that. (Laughter)

We all come at the right time.

I thank God that I am living in these times.

I never regret having come into ZION. I have nothing to be sorry for.

I was talking to some one about the prayers we had this morning in the meeting. What a beautiful spirit prevailed. No one was heard to say that he had prayed too much, or been a Christian too long, or anything like that. No! They are all sorry that they have not been Christians longer.

We are having glorious times!

What God has done for me fills my heart with joy. He has kept me all these years.

I suffered with heart trouble for over twenty years, and was instantly healed.

I wonder how some of you people can read the LEAVES OF HEALING for years and not get any blessing, while others drink it in and get the blessings of God, and jump right in!

Oh, I praise God for this Feast!

These last wicked times are glorious times in which to work for God.

Wonderful opportunities have been offered to us by God through our former leader and our present leader.

It is glorious to go out and tell the people what God has done for us, and to read God's Word to them and to give them the message. Then we must leave the results with God.

DEACON WILLIAM M. WIGHAM

General Overseer and Brethren, and ZION Friends: There is one thing that Elder Huston has that I covet, and that is his voice. (Laughter)

When he was in Minneapolis, he used to hold street meetings, and we could hear him eight blocks away. I remember very distinctly it was thundering one evening and raining in Northeast Minneapolis. My wife heard the noise, and did not know just what it was, and she said, "I wonder what that is?" Some one

in the house answered: "That is Elder Huston in Northeast Minneapolis holding a street meeting."

I am very glad to be with you at this Feast of Tabernacles, friends. It is the first Feast that I have ever attended. I have been in ZION CITY a great many times, but this is the first time that I have had the privilege of attending the Feast.

There are about a dozen Minneapolis people attending the Feast, while last year there were none. So, you see, we have made quite an advance.

I want to say now that we are growing in Minneapolis. We are slowly but surely going ahead.

Elder Huston was telling you how, by means of three little tracts, he came into ZION before the church was organized. I also received those tracts.

Elder Holmes, who was in ZION many years ago, passed through our county one day, and left those three little tracts at my home.

I remember that I came in, after plowing hard all day, and my mother gave me the tracts. I sat up until long after midnight reading them, and I read them over and over. I remember, as I laid them aside and went to bed, that I said to myself: "The man who wrote those tracts is something more than a Congregational preacher."

As time went on, that idea took a decided position in my mind, and I am convinced of it tonight.

Some of you know that, in some way, the devil tripped me up. I spoke for three hours in a meeting, when I was up in Canada. It was in March, and a fierce wind was blowing. The climate there is not like that of Florida, you know. I had become heated, and when the door was thrown open I caught a chill, and the first thing I knew, I was trembling all over.

Healed of Pleuro-pneumonia in Answer to Prayer

I went back to Minneapolis, but the cold kept getting worse and worse, and one day it came down upon me like a thousand of bricks, and I had pleuro-pneumonia. If any of you have ever had that disease, you know what it means to have the devil shut your breath off.

There was no officer whom I could reach until the close of the second day. I had to fight it out all alone, until Deaconess Lee came; and when she prayed, it just seemed as though a great weight was lifted from my lungs.

Then our dear General Overseer sent Elder Taylor to Minneapolis, and he helped me fight the battle.

I was seriously sick for three days, although it was a long time before I could get out of the house.

About a week or ten days before I was taken sick, I was called to a hospital in Minneapolis to see a young man who was confined there with pneumonia. His mother, by the way, is a ZION woman living in Iowa. I went there and prayed with him, but he was unconscious, and could not talk to me.

After I was well enough to leave the house and go to work again, he was still on his bed in the hospital. He had the best doctor the city afforded, and trained nurses; and yet for six weeks and five days that young man was on his bed, while I, who had the Great Physician, was only seriously sick for three days. You can see that our Doctor is far ahead of the best doctor in Minneapolis.

I am very thankful to God for His goodness to me.

As I lay there facing death, I am thankful to say that all fear of death was taken away, and that the thought of having medical aid did not come into my mind. I did not think of such a thing, and I am very thankful for it.

Oh, brothers and sisters, when you come to a place like that you realize what it is to have the Great Physician to call upon.

There is nothing like it!

Some of you have been in such a condition, and others may yet reach that place; but let us live in such a way, from day to day, so that when we come to that place—if we do come there—we may be able to reach the Great Physician without any trouble or difficulty.

Again let me say that I am very glad to be with you. I am enjoying every hour of my stay here, and I pray that this may be the greatest Feast in the history of ZION. That is also the prayer, I know, of the members of ZION in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis is the gateway to the Northwest, and we are proud of the city.

Healings Wrought by the Power of God

I want to say here that sometimes we have become a little discouraged when things seemed to move slowly, but we know that we are building upon a sure foundation, and that the work is going forward and people are being saved and healed.

We had a remarkable healing in our Tabernacle a short time ago. After going through an operation in her side, which left her with an opening that would not heal, a woman, who was also almost stone deaf, was brought to the Tabernacle.

The young woman who brought her had been wonderfully healed on the very day that Apostle Peckham left Minneapolis. The doctors had cut her up and removed a part of her intestines. The wound would not heal, and the intestines would not grow together. This caused nature to form a little canal, or channel, leading from her intestines to her side; and everything that she ate or drank came right out of her side. She had to be bandaged like a little baby. She was wonderfully and instantaneously healed on the day that Apostle Peckham left Minneapolis.

This young woman came into ZION, and then brought this other woman to the meetings. She began to give her the teaching, but she would say: "Don't say anything to me about Divine Healing—it is nonsense!" However, this young woman kept after her until she came to the Divine Healing meeting three weeks ago.

I could not make her hear, but Deaconess Lee did, after calling very loudly in her ear.

We prayed for her, and the following Wednesday evening she testified that prayer had been answered, and that the running sore in her side had been healed.

Then last Wednesday evening—the last evening meeting that we held before coming to the Feast—at the close of my talk, she insisted on standing up and giving her testimony. She laughed and cried for joy as she told us that she heard every word I said in my talk; that not only was the running sore in her side healed, but that God had given her back her hearing.

I thank God for that, and I thank God that He is with us in ZION.

While we have not the numbers—and there is a certain inspiration in numbers, you know; empty seats are so unsympathetic—although I believe that God is able to fill the empty chairs, that is not what is bothering me up in Minneapolis. What I am concerned about is, that the people which we already have may come to the place where God can use them.

When God brings that little handful of people to the right place, then the empty seats will be filled; and when He brings the rest of ZION to the place in which He wants them to be, then He will use them for the redemption of ZION CITY and for the salvation of the world.

ZION IN CHICAGO

Central Zion Tabernacle

Michigan Avenue and 26th Street
Get off at 26th Street

MEETINGS

EVERY LORD'S DAY

1:30 P. M. Bible School.
3:00 P. M. Principal Meeting.
8:00 P. M. Evangelistic Meeting.

Special Meeting for the Teaching and Prayer
with the Sick, Every Tuesday at 3:00 P. M.

Praise, Prayer, and Testimony Meeting, Every
Tuesday at 8:00 P. M. :: :: :: ::

Prophetic Utterances Concerning the Time of the End

JOHN 14:1-3.

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

ACTS 1:8-11.

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 part of the earth.

And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

FIRST JOHN, CHAPTER 4.

Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.

We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

He that loveth not knoweth not God: for God is love.

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

There is no fear in love: but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

We love him, because he first loved us.

If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

JUDE

Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.

And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.

Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.

These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;

Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints.

To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ:

How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

And of some have compassion, making a difference:

And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy.

To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

UNITY AND THE KINGDOM

BY ELDER FRANK ROBINSON

ONE who reads history, standing at the close of the Gospel Age, and looking at past events in the rise and fall of nations, will see certain facts standing out above all others.

Many great orators and ready scribes have spoken and written much in past ages, on the maintenance of national life, and have bequeathed to us many books on the subject, yet, as we look upon the picture which history brings before us, we are apprised of the fact that all the nations that have arisen on earth, have had but a brief existence, with, perhaps, the exception of the Chinese nation.

While, however, these nations have maintained their national existence for only a short time, some of them have been longer-lived than others. It will be noticed that those nations which have maintained their national existence the longest, have been united in a common purpose, and have consecrated and concentrated their efforts to the achievement of that end.

For a period they were victorious, but, when the seeds of discontent were sown, and internal strife and divisions appeared, these nations very quickly disintegrated.

We see the effect today, of internal disquietude in the great Chinese nation, which is the oldest nation in existence.

Well might the Apostle Paul sound out the warning:

Mark them which cause divisions among you, and avoid them.—Romans 16:17.

As long as Israel maintained their unity of purpose, in the worship of Jehovah and obedience to His servants Moses and Joshua, no nation or kingdom could stand before them; but as soon as their unity of purpose waned, and their attention was divided between Jehovah and Baal, or Jehovah and the Golden Wedge and the Babylonian Garment, they were defeated.

According to Josephus, it is evident that the reason the Romans were able to take Jerusalem in 70 A. D., was because Israel had left the unity of faith in Jehovah, forgotten the laws that God gave them through Moses, and had become divided into sects and factions which were pitted against one another.

At this time the Romans came and invaded the land, slaying thousands and driving the remnant before them into Jerusalem. While the Romans were battering against the walls, which the Jews thought impregnable, the Jews were engaged in a bitter and deadly strife, murdering and killing one another, under the leadership of two men named Simon and John, each seeking to destroy the other's power, until the Romans finally broke down a portion of the wall and took that almost impregnable citadel, capturing the remaining sick and starving inhabitants.

Jesus said:

A nation divided against itself, cannot stand.—Matthew 12:25.

The great and good Abraham Lincoln took up this truth, applied it to America, and, suiting the action to the word, sent the armies to liberate millions of slaves in the South. But unless that truth is carried out to its logical conclusion, America will go down as all the other nations have decayed and passed away.

Amid the confusion, divisions and disorder of these last days, a new nation has been created—ZION HAS BEEN BORN. But, like all the nations prior to her existence, her national life and supremacy depend upon her unity, and her unity depends upon her citizens, and the unity of her citizens depends upon whether or not they have caught the vision and see THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

This nation, which God is building up, is of such a nature that it cannot have within its sacred precincts any but "THEOCRATS"—those who subscribe to the Theocracy; for this is the inspiration, this is the spiritual stimulant, so to speak, which will impart life and strength throughout the entire body, and bring all into the oneness of purpose and effort necessary for the maintenance of national existence and progression.

The weapons of this nation are not the carnal weapons of this world, but are of a keener edge than any sword made from the best Damascus steel, and reach not only through the body,

but to the deepest depths of the spirit, and only "THEOCRATS" can learn how to use these weapons.

They are mighty to the pulling down of the strongholds of Satan, and casting out every wicked imagination and thought of the heart.

When once unity upon the fundamentals of the Theocracy (the rule of God) has been acquired and maintained, no men upon earth, or demons in hell, can stand against the forward march of ZION.

God has given to ZION the key of unity, but ZION must unlock the door and enter in. No other nation has this key.

Marvelous things have been accomplished by the grace of God, but ZION must draw in closer and go forward, until every "Golden Calf" has been ground to powder, and every Korah, Dothan and Abiram, who murmur, has been cast out with every Achan, Ananias and Sapphira; and then on to conquer the Hittites, Gergashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites, or their equivalents in this day. Not one must remain!

In order to do this, every possession must be devoted to the national welfare and defense; every life devoted to the strengthening of all in Christ Jesus, and the upbuilding of His KINGDOM.

First of all a ZION citizen must divest himself of all selfishness, and be a part of the whole. He must learn that he is a part of the "body of Christ," and no longer his own. He cannot be divided in spirit or mind and be a "THEOCRAT," any more than he can be divided in body and live. He cannot be divided in his interests or his property, having a part in the world and a part in ZION, for God will have a day of reckoning with him, and it will either be all in ZION for God, or all in the world for the devil.

God is calling you to unity in ZION—which is soon to be united with Christ.

In unity there is strength; in division there is weakness.

The world is waiting to believe that God sent Jesus the Christ.

Jesus said the world would not believe until His followers were unified; until every man, woman and child, pooled their interests, time, talents and money all in THE KINGDOM OF GOD, for He said:

Neither for these only do I pray, but for them also that believe on me through their word; THAT THEY MAY ALL BE ONE; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, THAT THEY ALSO MAY BE IN US: THAT THE WORLD MAY BELIEVE THAT THOU DIDST SEND ME. And the glory which thou hast given me I have given unto them; THAT THEY MAY BE ONE, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, THAT THEY MAY BE PERFECTED INTO ONE; THAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW THAT THOU DIDST SEND ME, and lovedst them, even as thou lovedst me.—John 17: 20, 21, 22, 23.

Jesus prayed this prayer in faith.

The prayer of faith shall be answered.

Now is the time for that prayer to be answered.

Will you be a part of that answered prayer?

They shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion.—Isaiah 52:8.

When ZION is built up, Christ will appear in His glory, and the world will believe that God sent Him the first time, to die for the sins of the whole world, but not until then.

God has founded ZION, and ZION sees eye to eye along all the fundamental lines of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Paul said,

I would that ye all speak the same thing.

ZION says the same thing about THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

No man or woman can stay "neutral" in regard to ZION and the world. He or she will have to be for or against ZION. If they are for ZION, all they have and all they are will be brought into ZION; if for the world, the devil will soon find his own.

If you are for ZION, come into ZION with all you are and have, where God can protect you. Do not play around ZION's back door, or the devil will be suspicious of you, and strip you, giving all you have to another of whom he is sure.

Right-Hand of Fellowship

"I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to ZION."—Jeremiah 3:14.

The following Persons were received into Fellowship by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, Lord's Day Morning, July 16th, 1916:

Aiuppy, Ross	Illinois
Albright, Miss Ella Elnora	N. Dakota
Albright, Miss Eva May	N. Dakota
Atkins, Elmer	Ohio
Barta, Barbara	Illinois
Barrowcliff, Bessie	Ohio
Bishop, Andrew	Iowa
Boer, Mrs. Eva	Illinois
Boer, Nellie	Illinois
Boer, Richard	Illinois
Boyd, Mrs. Ida	Alabama
Boyd, Leo	Alabama
Brooks, Henry	Illinois
Burrell, Mary J.	Illinois
Butler, Mrs. Isabel K.	Illinois
Carey, Wesley Gordon	Illinois
Casperson, Earl W.	Illinois
Casperson, Mrs. Grace	Illinois
Craft, Mrs. Hattie	Illinois
Crouse, Joseph John	Illinois
Davis, Mrs. Artlisa	Alabama
Davis, Mrs. Lillian	Illinois
Demmer, Charles	California
Easton, Wellington P.	Ont., Canada
Eilerman, George	Illinois
Ellinwood, Mrs. Sarah M.	Kansas
Erdmann, Frederic	Wisconsin
Favell, Mrs. Carrie B.	Wisconsin
Fisher, Mrs. Anna M.	Nebraska
Gadd, Mrs. Nellie Mae H.	Wisconsin
Gates, Mrs. John M.	Illinois
Grosskreutz, Miss Anna Marie	Illinois
Gruman, Henry A (Sr.)	Indiana
Gruman, Henry (Jr.)	Indiana
Gruman, Hubert	Indiana
Gruman, Mrs. Mamie Katherine	Indiana
Harding, Lewis F.	S. Dakota
Hardy, Albert L.	Illinois
Hardy, Mrs. Martha E.	Illinois
Hessling, Mrs. N. L.	Illinois
Johnson, Arthur	Minnesota
Julian, Charles	Illinois
Kern, Miss Nora	Missouri
Kern, William John	Michigan
Kleinhaus, Mrs. Rosa	Ohio
Knepper, Frank L.	Illinois
Kofoed, Laura	Illinois
Kofoed, Marcus	Illinois
LaMoreux, Miss Eunice	Illinois
LaMoreux, Mrs. Grace Irene	Illinois
Lee, Mrs. A. O.	Minnesota
Loehrke, Paul	Illinois
Luce, Mrs. May	Illinois
Lucy, Mrs. Neva A.	Michigan
Luke, Mrs. Emily	Sask. Canada
Luke, Wellington A.	Sask. Canada
Lundberg, Mrs. Anna	Minnesota
Lundberg, Dorothy	Minnesota
Luther, Mrs. Francis	Illinois
Luther, Paul G.	Illinois
Lyons, Chas.	Illinois
McClain, Mrs. Mary	Ohio
McClain, Paul	Ohio
McKinley, Mrs. Elizabeth	Indiana
Mervin, Samuel	Illinois
Minikus, Miss Ruth	Minnesota
Naffziger, Esther A.	Illinois

Naffziger, Laura E.	Illinois
Pederson, Philip A.	Illinois
Pourier, Mrs. Matilda	Illinois
Quint, Gladstone	Illinois
Reder, Mrs. Caroline	Illinois
Reprogle, Henry D.	Illinois
Richards, Jennie G.	Illinois
Rogan, Mrs. Blanche	Illinois
Smarzo, Mrs. Emily	New York
Spanton, Robert	Illinois
Springsted, Mrs. Eliza	Wisconsin
Stocker, Miss Jeanette	Illinois
Stouffer, Mrs. Emma	Iowa
Stouffer, Mabel S.	Illinois
Vilmont, Mrs. M. J.	Iowa
Wehrmann, Miss Rose M.	Missouri
West, Amos L.	Illinois
Whitman, Joseph	Minnesota
Winterbottom, Beulah	Illinois
Winterbottom, Rhena	Illinois
Wright, John	Illinois
Zucaro, Mary	Illinois
Total 89.	

Consecration of Children

The following-named little children were consecrated to God in Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, on Lord's Day Morning, July 16th, 1916:

Boer, Richard Ralph
Lucas, Francis
Lucas, Grace
Lucas, Melvin
Lucas, Paul
Rogan, Laura
Rogan, Lillian

Lord's Day, July 23, 1916:

Frank Aken Kleinhaus
Ruth Martha Kleinhaus

The following-named children were consecrated to God in Shanghai, China, by Apostle Francis M. Royall, on June 19th, 1916:

Dorcas Yang
Ho Ching
Yu Hsing Sih
Chang Oh Veng

Insanlty Healed Through Zion's Prayers

TEXAS, March 17, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to thee!"

I now write to thank you, and all ZION Members, for your prayers for my two sons, that were sick: one of whom, the doctors of Dallas said, was insane. Last December I wrote you and ZION for prayers, and God heard and answered our prayers. I thank God my son Price is a strong young man again.

My son, Adrian, in San Angelo, who had la grippe, is also well, for which I thank God and ZION.

Your sister in Christ,

(Signed) MRS. MARY C. GRAY

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ZION HOME

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS

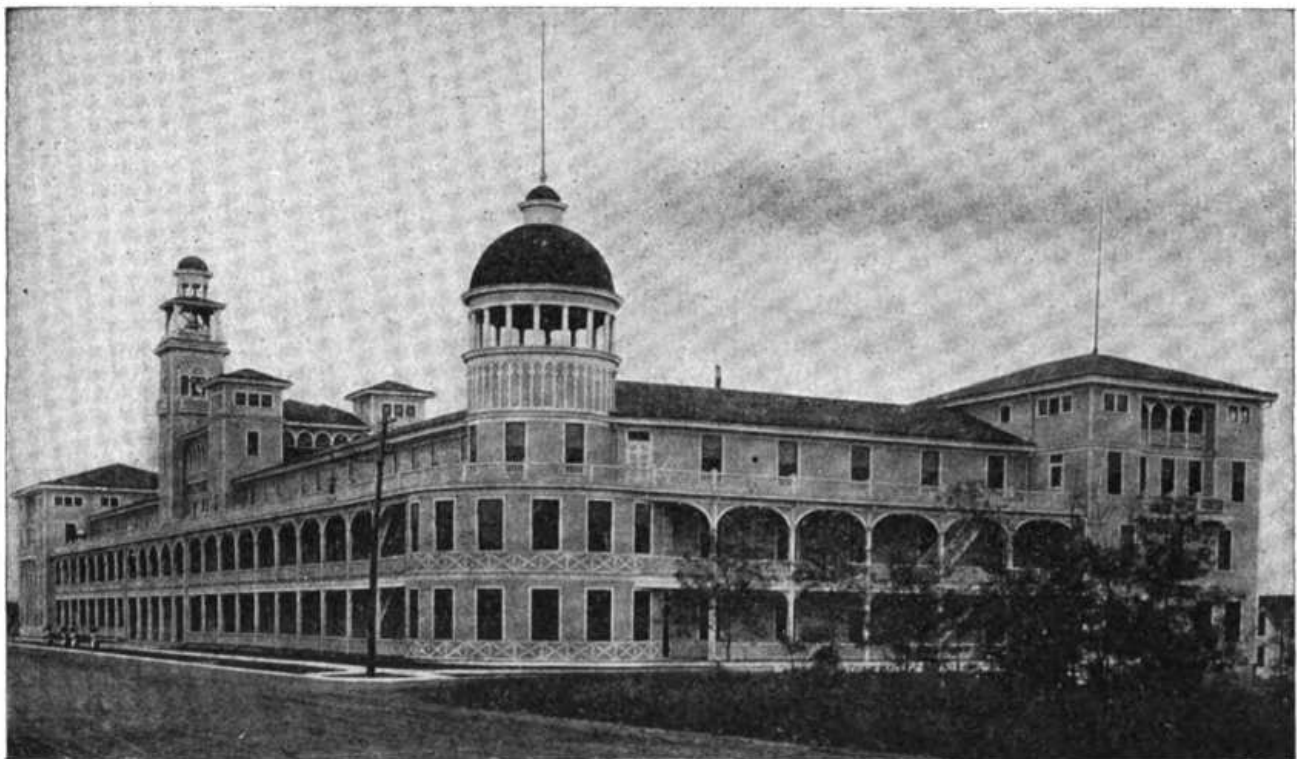
ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION HOME is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION HOME is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.



ZION HOME

Thousands of dollars have just been spent in cleaning, renovating, and refurnishing the Home, so that it is in better condition than ever. We are prepared to satisfy any and all guests who may come to ZION HOME.

Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

For any further information write to

Apostle E. L. Carey, Administration Building, Zion City, Illinois

You Want a Home in Zion City.

We have the following improved properties to offer.

WE SELL THEM ON EASY TERMS.

If you want to help in this work, and in the establishment of Zion City, make your selection.

No. 20	10-room house on Elizabeth Ave., centrally located; hot water heating system, bath, toilet, electric lights, very desirable.	4,700.00
No. 21	8-room house on South Sheridan Road, good basement, well	1,500.00
No. 22	9-room house on Gilboa Ave., near main Electric Station and convenient to Tabernacle, good cellar, barn	2,850.00
No. 23	6-room house on Gilboa Ave., good basement, electric lights, good well, corner lot, near Tabernacle	1,350.00
No. 24	7-room house on Enoch Ave., near College Building, hot water heat, deep well, electric lights	2,900.00
No. 25	5-room house on Ezekiel Ave., good location, large corner lot	1,350.00
No. 26	6-room house on Elim Ave., good condition, very home-like, east front, electric lights, good location	1,800.00
No. 27	8-room house on Galilee Ave., 1 1/2 blocks from main Electric Station, Salem Blvd.	1,200.00
No. 28	7-room house on Gabriel Ave., deep well, electric motor and pressure tank, toilet and sink, electric lights, concrete floor in basement, everything in good condition, convenient to Tabernacle	2,500.00
No. 29	4-room house on Ezra Ave., newly papered	925.00
No. 30	5-room house, Gilboa Ave.,	1,000.00
No. 31	8-room house on Elizabeth Ave., near Zion Stores, electric lights, deep well, lots of fruit, fine location	2,350.00

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Train up a child in the way
he should go: and when he is
old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6

And that from a child thou
hast known the holy Scriptures,
which are able to make thee
wise unto salvation through
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And all thy children shall be
taught of the Lord; and great
shall be the peace of thy
children. Isaiah 54:13



GOD'S WITNESSES TO DIVINE HEALING

Healed of Spinal Trouble, and of Paralysis of the entire left side after the third Paralytic Stroke, and of Blood Poisoning by the Power of God in Answer to the Prayer of Faith. ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖

JEHOVAH declared Himself to be the Healer of His people in the early dawn of the history of Israel.

The Covenant of Divine Healing is set forth in Exodus 15:26:

"If thou wilt diligently *hearken* to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt *do* that which is *right* in His sight, and wilt *give ear* to His *commandments*, and *keep* all His *statutes*, I will put (permit to be put) none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought (permitted to be brought) upon the Egyptians: for I *am* the Lord that *Healeth* thee."

God having once declared Himself to be the Healer of His people must ever remain the Healer of His people; for He cannot change:

"For I *am* the Lord, I *change* not"—Malachi 3:6.

THE GREAT I AM

Past and future are human terms. There is no past nor future with God. He is the One Eternal, Self-existent, Everliving One—the great I AM; the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; and the God and Father of us all.

That God cannot change is an indubitable truth; for immutability is an inherent attribute of God, and without it He would not be God.

Past, present and future are divisions of time, which are purely human. With God there is no such thing as time—eternity alone is His habitation, and eternity like God has no beginning and no end. Therefore, God lives in an eternal now, and is an omnipresent God.

So that we cannot speak of God as past or future as regards His own personality.

The God-head consists of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Therefore the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost each has the same attributes, and so each is ever-present and unchanging.

THE ONE ETERNAL, TRIUNE GOD

This is plainly stated in many places in God's Word:

"And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and He said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you."—Exodus 3:14.

"Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel, and His Redeemer the Lord of Hosts; I AM the first, and I AM the last, and beside Me there is no God."—Isaiah 44:6.

"I AM Alpha and Omega, the first and the last."—Revelation 1:11.



MRS. IDA WHITTAKER.

"Jesus saith unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I AM."—John 8:58.

"Lo, I AM with you ALWAYS, even unto the end of the world."—Matthew 28:20.

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and TODAY, and forever."—Hebrews 13:8.

"But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that HE IS, and that HE IS a Rewarder of them who diligently seek Him."—Hebrews 11:6.

These passages of Scripture are sufficient to prove that God is omnipresent, and unchanging in His character and attributes.

THE UNCHANGING SAVIOR AND HEALER

God once, having revealed Himself as the Savior ever must remain the Savior!

God once having revealed Himself as the Healer ever must remain the Healer!

He cannot, from His very nature, be the Savior and Healer in the first century and not the Savior and Healer in the twentieth century.

Therefore Divine Salvation, and Divine Healing are present-day realities.

"Behold, *now* is the accepted time; Behold *now* is the day of salvation."—2 Corinthians 6:2.

God lives in an eternal today, and with God there is no tomorrow.

He is always present; He is always willing; He is able to save and to heal.

"God is our refuge and strength, a very PRESENT help in trouble."—Psalm 46:1.

God's Word, with all its great and precious promises, is like God Himself—UNCHANGING.

The Scriptures are not for any person or for any age—but for all persons and for all ages;—neither is Scripture of any "private" interpretation.

"Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation."—2 Peter 1:20.

Therefore we may claim the Leper's, "I will; be thou clean;" the Centurion's, "I will come and heal him;" the Palsied man's, "Son be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee," "Arise and walk;" the Blind men's, "According to your faith be it unto you;" the Woman's, "Daughter be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole;" the Syrophenician Woman's, "Oh woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour."

THE SAME JESUS AND THE SAME WORKS

The very same Jesus who taught, and preached, and healed in Galilee is with us still, and does the very same works.

"And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of THE KINGDOM, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people."—Matthew 4:23.

"How God anointed Jesus from Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him."—Acts 10:38.

"For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."—1 John 3:8.

"Forasmuch then as the children are also partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil."—Hebrews 2:14.

The above Scriptures show that sin, sickness, disease and death are all the works of the devil. And that it was the work of Jesus the Christ to destroy the works of the devil, and ultimately to vanquish the devil himself.

If this is the work of Jesus the Christ, and He is with us as He said, "Lo, I AM with you always," then we may expect a continuous work of Divine Healing.

If He does not do the same works today then He has changed; but He does do the same works today that He did in Galilee beside the Sea.

In proof of this statement, we present to the readers of this week's LEAVES OF HEALING another testimony of one who has been wonderfully saved and healed in answer to the prayer of faith in ZION.

Surely the world needs salvation and healing today as much as it did in the first century. Surely humanity is sorely afflicted, and hopelessly involved in sin and sickness.

Oh weary sufferer, Jesus loves you still; He waits to hear your prayers! Call upon Him now, for all who call upon Him in faith and sincerity will be saved and healed.

HE IS STILL OF GREAT COMPASSION

"And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them; and He healed their sick."—Matthew 14:14.

"For we have not an high priest who cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."—Hebrews 5:15, 16.

Read the wonderful story of how Jesus had compassion upon the woman whose portrait and testimony accompanies this article. She had suffered agonies untold for many years, and at last was thought to be dying; but the LEAVES OF HEALING brought her to ZION, and there she was taught that universal truth, "God is the Healer of His people."

She accepted Jesus for spirit, and soul, and body, and after prayer, put away the cane upon which she had leaned for many years, and has not needed it since. And today, like the man who was healed at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, she is "walking, and leaping, and praising God."

What God did for the man at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, He has done for her!

And reader, what God has done for this witness, He will do for you!

"And His Name through faith in His Name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all."—Acts 3:16.

THE DAYS OF MIRACLES NOT PASSED

The days of miracles are not past for those who will believe; for verily Jesus said:

"He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father."—John 14:12.

Oh! that all the suffering and dying ones might know that Jesus is the same Savior, Healer, Cleanser and Keeper as He was nineteen centuries ago!

Go, LEAVES OF HEALING to this and every land and make the glad tidings known to all the world that

JESUS CHRIST IS JUST THE SAME TODAY!

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF MRS. IDA WHITTAKER

Zion Home, Zion City, Illinois, September 1, 1916.

Dear General Overseer:

Peace to Thee!

I am writing my testimony, praying that it may be the means of helping some one, suffering as I was, to learn that the Lord is the Healer, and not the Doctors nor the drugs.

I had a sun-stroke when I was sixteen years old, which brought on spinal trouble from which I suffered for many years, never knowing a day without pain in the back of my head. Then I suffered an accident, which, together with the former trouble, caused paralysis of my entire left side. I finally had the third paralytic stroke, after which I was unable to eat any solid food for seven weeks, my bowels did not move for twenty one days, and I was unable to speak intelligibly.

My friends thought I was dying. My children were called to my bedside. The Doctor left the house, saying that I could not live more than an hour longer. I had a vision that I should get well.

I immediately began to get better and in less than a month was able to walk around the house with the assistance of a cane, and, in a few months, was able to work.

The Doctors and some of my friends said my vision was the product of a diseased mind, but it has always been so real to me that I know the Lord showed me I had work to do before I was fit to cross over the dark river. Still, I lived after the World, as most Baptists do.

After this, I was taken with Rheumatism, from which I suffered for fourteen years, always having to use a cane.

Five years ago last summer, I went to Denver to visit my children who live there, and while there I took blood poisoning in my left hand. It was so bad that the Doctor said the hand would have to be amputated.

I think I tried all kinds of treatment, Electricity, Osteopathy, and all kinds of drugs prescribed by Doctors all over the Country (for I am a traveling sales-woman), also all the different kinds of baths; but still my joints kept getting larger—my knees were twice their normal size—and I would sometimes be laid up in hotels for seven days at a time, I would be suffering so much and it would be impossible for me to get on and off the trains.

Then, I heard you speak at the Opera House in Galesburg, Illinois, and I bought a copy of "Leaves of Healing" and read it several times, after which, I made up my mind that I wanted to see Zion City. So, one very cold day about three years ago, I stopped off here over night and attended a prayer meeting. I bought several copies of "Leaves of Healing" at the time and took out a ten weeks subscription in the name of my daughter at Indianapolis.

Still, I went on suffering until June 6, 1914. I then came to Zion Home, walking with a cane and suffering greatly. Elder Moot called on me in the afternoon and brought me some literature to read. He talked to me a little while and prayed for me and the pain left me and I got up and walked without my cane and have not used it since. My knees are now their normal size, and my finger joints, which were greatly enlarged, have become normal, except one which is still slightly enlarged, but does not pain me.

I also had very poor circulation in my left side, which caused me to suffer from coldness. After the Elder had laid hands on me and prayed, new life seemed to go into me, and my left side is now no more cold than my right side.

While I am still a little lame, I am getting better all the time and can walk as far and as long as I wish without tiring, and I am praising the Lord for my healing.

Last winter I was taken very sick with the Grip. I had a high fever, my throat was badly swollen, and my heart bothered me so the Lord healed me just two hours before you received the letter, as I had obeyed Him in calling for the Elders of the Church to pray for me.

I thank God I am now a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and have been baptized by Triune Immersion into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

I do not consider that I had ever really been a Christian before. I was very luke-warm and lived entirely in the world.

I cannot thank my Heavenly Father enough for letting me live until I had repented of my sins and learned that Jesus is the Healer and the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

Praying that this testimony will help some others who suffer as I did, I am,

Ever your sister in Jesus' Name,

(Signed) Mrs. Ida Whittaker.



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When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant AT ONCE!

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into ZION, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into ZION and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into ZION, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!

Do You Know God's Way of Healing?

BY THE REV. JOHN ALEX. DOWIE.

God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "*I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life,*" and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "*I am the Lord that Healeth thee.*" (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever*"; and He is still with us, for He said, "*Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.*" (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "*Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, sicknesses), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed*"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "destroy the works of the Devil," and when He was here on earth He healed "all manner of disease and all manner of sickness," and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "oppressed of the Devil." (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance," and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith; and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (1 Timothy 6:20,21; 1 Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

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The Second Coming of Christ

Report of Early Morning Meeting Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Lord's Day, November 22, 1908, Conducted by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by B. M.)

The meeting was opened by a season of silent waiting upon God, at the close of which the General Overseer offered very earnest prayer; after which HYMN No. 430 was sung.

When Jesus comes to reward His servants,
Whether it be noon or night,
Faithful to Him will He find us watching,
With our lamps all trimm'd and bright?

CHORUS:

Oh, can we say we are ready, brother?
Ready for the soul's bright home?
Say, will He find you and me still watching,
Waiting, waiting when the Lord shall come?

GENERAL OVERSEER: Please turn to the Second Epistle of Peter, the Third Chapter. Those of you who have Bibles with headlines to the chapters, of course understand that they are not a part of the original manuscript, but have been put there by the editors. Many of them are very appropriate. At the head of this chapter, notice the two headlines: "The coming of Christ's KINGDOM;" "The certainty of Christ's coming."

This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Savior:

I will read that verse again. It brings out three things.

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by—whom?

VOICES: "The holy prophets."

GENERAL OVERSEER: To whom does that refer? Can you give the names of some of them? Yes, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Joel, and so on. There are sixteen purely prophetic books. Four of these are called Major Prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Daniel. The twelve Minor Prophets begin with Hosea and end with Malachi. Of course, distributed through the other books there are some prophecies.

The First Promise of the Coming Redeemer Made in the Garden of Eden

The first prophecy of the coming of Jesus Christ is in Genesis 3:15, where, in pronouncing the sentence upon the serpent, God said:

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

That is the first. It is the statement of a coming Deliverer; and so from that day until this there has been constant warfare between the sons of Light and the sons of darkness.

Jesus said, "The prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in me." There is a translation which gives it: "The prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in common with me." You often hear it said that Satan has a mortgage on certain people, and that when he is ready he will foreclose it. Satan is a very hard taskmaster. After he has made use of individuals, then he, himself, will see that they pay the penalty. He is very cruel; and every transgression will bring the penalty.

I am very desirous that ZION people shall be students of the Word of God and of ZION literature. I am sure that many people in ZION CITY today are off the track because they have never studied the prophets. Men and women who have studied the prophets will never cry out for smooth speech, and call upon a man who stands up as the servant of God to prophesy smooth things.

We all ought to have something of the spirit of the prophets. Why, we are all more or less, you know, prophets,—we are all more or less saviors. What is the life of a Christian but a reproduction of the life of Jesus the Christ. The more nearly the life of Christ is reproduced in a man or woman, the more closely is that individual living to the Christ.

We all ought to have the spirit of Jesus the Christ. The same spirit that dwelt in him ought to dwell in us, and then we will love all that He loved, and we will hate all that He hated, and we will desire what He desired. Our lives should be in harmony with His life.

This cry for soft speech, and this cry for smooth things, is one of the things which is mentioned very prominently in many portions of the Scripture, and the people are warned against it. How many times the people are warned against believing that all is peace. They are crying, "Peace! peace!" when there is no peace, and sudden destruction will come upon them. Our only safe-guard, as I have said hundreds of times, is keeping close to the Word of God, and taking heed to the sure word of prophecy.

One thing that is taking place at the present time that will certainly serve to create a great interest in the Second Coming of the Lord, is the attitude of the principal nations towards Turkey. Of course it has seemed many times in the past that the time had arrived for the complete dismembering of Turkey. Now, again, it looks very much as though the time had come.

When the Euphrates dries up and Turkey is dismembered, it seems to me we shall have the fulfillment to a very remarkable degree of many of the prophecies of Daniel; and I desire that this Church, more than any organization in the world, shall not only teach the Second Coming of the Christ, but that they shall be, of all people, the best prepared for the Second Coming of the Christ.

The Attitude to the Second Coming of the Christ the Test for Every Christian

I remember a statement which I heard at one time, to the effect that the interest with which a Church held the Second Coming of Christ was a clear indication as to whether that Church was living or dead; and, in our individual lives, we must ever keep before us the imminent coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

So we are exhorted here, first of all, to give heed to the word spoken by the holy prophets, and then, next to give heed to the words spoken by the holy prophets, "to the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Savior."

For instance: In Paul's writings you have some very striking things in regard to the Second Coming of Christ. The Fifteenth Chapter of I. Corinthians has stood all the way through the centuries as one of the most wonderful in the New Testament. Then, also, in the Fourth Chapter of I. Thessalonians we have a very remarkable passage, where it says, "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep."

It will be impossible for me to be any great help to you unless you are a student of the Word of God. I do not say that I cannot be of any help to you, because it is my business, and the business of all true servants of God, to proclaim faithfully the Word of God; but you know that when preaching to an audience, some hear what is said and some do not, and I am not surprised that some people are slipping away from the principles of the ZION movement, because they do not read the LEAVES OF HEALING or ZION literature. If you could read all the letters that we get from many different parts of the world, you would understand how it is that hundreds of people who take the LEAVES OF HEALING and ZION literature are so loyal and steadfast.

God Almighty is training a people. Now, if Elder Tindall is not right, God will permit a certain test to come to him; if Elder Carey is not right, God will permit a certain test to come to him. God wants the ZION movement made up of the right kind of people; and suppose, without being too dogmatic—(it has got to be somewhere)—suppose that God is training this people ultimately to be the Church without spot or wrinkle, then He expects us to be right; and if there is in my spirit covetousness, that has to be taken out; if there is in me any of the spirit of envy, it has to be taken out; any of the spirit of jealousy, it has to be taken out. If I have no control of my temper, why I cannot be of any real value to THE KINGDOM OF GOD. My temper controls me, and I do not control it. Whatever the defects are, they must be gotten out of the way.

Zion Declares the Fundamental Truths of the Word of God

These people who are going through terrific tests, God must have permitted them to be overtaken because they were not right.—because there was an open place in their armour somewhere. That is the way it looks to me.

There is not any room for any dispute as to what ZION teaching is. ZION stands, first of all—and has from the beginning, uncompromisingly to proclaim the existence of the eternal God—the first great Cause for all things—the Creator of the Universe.

We are not infidels in any sense of the word; we are not atheists. We believe in God Almighty with all our hearts. We love Him, and our first desire is to serve Him. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and there is not any doubt in our minds as to the divinity of Christ. There is not any hesitancy on my part in denouncing a man as an infidel, or worse than an infidel, who denies the divinity of Jesus the Christ.

We believe that Jesus the Christ existed long before His incarnation in the flesh. We believe that He was God manifested in the flesh. There is no question as to what ZION believes in regard to Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, the Savior of the world. We believe that He is coming again. We do not take any stock in this wretched sort of teaching that Christ is never coming again literally. The Word of God says: "In like manner as you have seen Him go away, He will come again."

We are looking for the second, literal, coming of Jesus Christ in person. That is what we are looking for. That is what ZION believes; and that is what ZION has taught all the way along. Now, there is no room for any misunderstanding the teaching about God the Father, or Jesus Christ His Son.

In regard to the Holy Spirit: There is no room for any misunderstanding in regard to ZION's teaching on the Holy Spirit. ZION believes that the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost.

We do not mean by that that He had never visited men before Pentecost; but on that day he took up His abode here. Christ said, "It is expedient for you that I go away;" and, after Christ went away, in exact accordance with the Word of God and types, the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit has been here ever since. "He is given to them that obey Him."—obey God. The world cannot see Him,—the world does not know Him, and the world cannot receive Him. It is also made plain that you can quench the Holy Spirit. It is made plain that you can grieve the Holy Spirit.

We have in the Word of God, different expressions: the "baptism of the Holy Spirit," and the "anointing of the Holy Spirit," and, "receive ye the Holy Spirit," and so on. I take the position that all these expressions are figurative. In other words, the "baptism of the Holy Spirit" was suggested by the baptizing of a man in water, the "anointing of the Holy Spirit" was suggested by the pouring of oil. They are all figurative expressions for a great spiritual fact or reality.

The Disciples of Jesus the Christ to be Filled with the Holy Spirit

It is for us to appropriate the Holy Spirit in His fulness just as we appropriate and claim the sacrifice that Jesus Christ made upon the cross. It is not worth while for a disobedient man or woman to talk about being filled with the Holy Spirit. It is not worth while for men and women, who want to go their own way, to talk about being filled with the Holy Spirit.

I teach that it is perfectly proper for us to ask for the Holy Spirit. I pray every day for the Holy Spirit. I believe that to

be baptized with the Holy Spirit completely means a good deal more than people realize, and when I am baptized completely by the Holy Spirit, there won't be anything in me that is contrary to the will of God.

A man who has an uncontrollable temper, if he receives the baptism of the Holy Spirit, that temper has to go; or, in other words, it must be brought under: but I have not met any perfect man or woman yet in ZION CITY. I have met some very lovely people, and, as I look at you people, I believe that all of you have given yourselves to God, and that, this morning, you are in touch with God. I believe you have received the Holy Spirit in great measure, but everyone of us is more or less imperfect. I know, and I can say it humbly before God, that I am a great deal farther along in the Christian life today than I was ten years ago, and I am a great deal farther along than I was when I received the first copy of LEAVES OF HEALING, and I believe in praying that beautiful prayer that Dr. Dowie always used as a Benediction:

Beloved, abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Cannot you see that a glorious work is going on, that God the Almighty is *creating* man? There never was but one perfect man and that was the Man Christ Jesus. I trust, by the grace of God, that I am a man in the process of making. I am not a man,—neither are you. I hope to be, when Jesus is manifested, like Him, for I shall see Him as He is.

As to outward demonstration: we are not all constituted alike. One man is of a different temperament from another, and when it comes to outward demonstration, as to how one prays, or how one speaks, or how one acts, there may be great differences and yet all be earnest Christians; but when a thing develops into a mere work of the flesh—in other words, when the thing which happens is created at this end instead of coming from the Throne of God, then it is high time for the leader or spiritual instructor to point out that Satan has gotten in.

I do not say that it is not perfectly proper that some people should be emotional. I have no objection to that. I have known people that every time they prayed or talked, they wept. I take no exception to that, none whatever. Some people are more or less vociferous. That is demonstrated whenever they talk or pray. I believe there is a place for, "Hallelujah!" and, "Praise the Lord!" but I do not believe there is any place for vain repetition. I do not believe in teaching things without meaning, and I do not believe in anything boisterous. When you and I set to work to create something, we get into trouble.

I want God to be in what we do, because it is only as God works in and through us that our work abides. That is what Paul meant in his letter to the Church at Corinth. He did not want to go to them with eloquence, proclaiming the wisdom of this world; he did not want to win people by philosophy; he did not want to win people by oratory; but he wanted to give them Jesus Christ and Him crucified, and let his work be in the demonstration and power of the Holy Spirit: and that is what we want. I believe in praying for the Holy Spirit. That was Dr. Dowie's teaching, and that is the teaching of the Bible.

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit Placed Within the Church

Now, as to the gifts of the Holy Spirit: ZION's teaching is that as the Holy Spirit is in the Church, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, being in the Holy Spirit, are in the Church also; but the manifestation of all these gifts in the Church are absolutely within God's power.

When Satan wants to lead people to destruction, he always sends certain things to work on their minds, and to make people think if they do not do this, that, or the other thing, they are lost. How many people are keeping Saturday today who have been told by the Seventh Day Adventists that it is the seal of the one hundred and forty-four thousand?

If I can make you people think that the keeping of Saturday is the seal, then you will be distressed in your minds. You love God, you want to be ready for the coming of Jesus the Christ, and you want to go to Heaven, and here they say that the keeping of Saturday is the seal, and you do not want to be lost: therefore many people have been scared into keeping Saturday,—not because of principle, mark you,—not because they see it in the Scripture,—not because the Holy Spirit bears witness with their

spirit that it is the proper thing, but simply because certain people have worked on their minds.

Then, after some of them get their eyes open and quit keeping Saturday, these Seventh Day Adventists follow them around, and keep after them, until they finally get them to believe they are lost.

It is an awful thing for a man who loves God to get the conviction that he is lost. I do not know of a sadder condition any one could get into than to feel that he is lost. What right have I to feel lost when I am doing all I know to be a good man and to do right? I have no right to feel lost. But that is the way they scare them and make them believe that they are lost forever because they have given up keeping Saturday.

The devil came along and he said, "You people have never been baptized with the Holy Spirit because you never have spoken in tongues." Well now, you love God. You say, "I gave myself to God when I was a little boy or a little girl, and I have never known anything else than to love and serve God. I have sought God for the Holy Spirit all my life, and have become a member of the Church. Now here comes a man who tells me that I have never been baptized with the Holy Spirit because I have not spoken in tongues." I tell you, in the beginning that was a trick of Satan to shipwreck some faithful people. In many cases he has done it, and no wonder some have gone insane, and they were lovely people, too.

I remember poor old Mrs. ———, who lived just a short distance on the other side of the town where I lived at one time. There were great revival meetings being held there, and she went every night for three weeks. They told her that she would hear a voice and see a light when she was converted. Now that woman loved God with all her heart. She had been a Christian for a long time, but this man who was conducting the meetings preached that kind of stuff. He said that if a person had never seen a light, they had not been converted. For three weeks, every night this woman went to that altar; but she never saw a light, and at length they had to take her to the insane asylum.

Sanctification a Lifelong Process in the Believer

Is insanity the work of God or the work of the Holy Spirit? No! No indeed, it is not! I would be a fine leader of all you hundreds of people in ZION, under God, if I did not know enough to tell you the difference between the work of God and the work of the devil. I take no stock in so-called "getting religion." I believe that it is demoniacal. I do not take any stock in this instantaneous sanctification. I do not believe in it. I believe it is a trick of the devil.

I do not say that some do not receive more of the Holy Spirit in a minute than others do in a year. I do not say that. It is just as we yield ourselves to God and die to self, and make an absolute self-surrender. You cannot substitute the work of the flesh and a little sentiment, for preaching the Gospel and meeting the conditions of the Gospel.

There is a genuine work which the Holy Spirit can do. I say, in regard to the Holy Spirit: the Bible is perfectly plain, and there is no room for any misunderstanding, and there is no excuse for anybody's going astray.

As to the gifts of the Holy Spirit: that is in God's hands, and He will manifest his gifts when and where He will. "They are given to every man to profit withal," and, "He divideth severally as He will." I am not going to undertake to tell my Heavenly Father what He shall do. That is all in His power. I am going to keep in my proper place.

When it comes to the Gospel of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, is not ZION's teaching perfectly plain? Repentance! O, how a lot of people hate a sermon on repentance. They say, "Why does not he preach something else?" Well, I think that is a compliment to any man. If you have all repented, then we have to still preach it to keep you "repented." That is all right.

What follows repentance? Confession. What follows Confession? Restitution. Confession and restitution are simply the "fruits meet for repentance." Does not the Word of God make it plain that a man must bring forth fruit. Merely saying it does not mean anything. Why, some people in every community get converted on an average of once a year as long as they live. A man or a woman who is all emotion, with nothing behind it, amounts to nothing. My brothers and sisters, let ZION be done with all this silly sentimentalism. Let ZION get down to business. A man does not have to lose his sense to be a Christian.

That is ZION's position. You have to bring forth the fruits meet for repentance, and show by your life that you have turned to your God.

A Divine Faith is Obtained by Hearing the Word of God

After repentance comes faith. What a wonderful thing faith is! Faith is from God. It is wrought by the Holy Spirit, as all good things are. There is a verse which says, "Have faith in God." You can translate that, "Have the faith of God."

Now, how do you get faith? You do not get it by praying for it. Dr. Dowie, in his very first years in Chicago, emphasized that. You do not get faith by praying for it: "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

You will not get faith unless you get the Word of God. The more you know of the Bible, the more you believe of it and appropriate of it, the more faith you will have in God. The only way you can have faith for the salvation of ZION CITY is to get this Bible.

After faith is obedience. Obedience in baptism. I do not take the position that baptism is of no importance. It is of very great importance. Obedience in a great many things. Where the spirit of obedience does not exist you cannot do much with that person. Obedience to those that have the rule over you.

Well, so far, we know right where we are, precisely.

Now, holy living. We all understand what is meant by holy living. We have to watch and pray daily, or Satan will take advantage of us. It is only by studying the Word of God and praying every day that you will be kept,—or you will be saying and doing something that you ought not to say or do.

There are other ZION principles. ZION as a movement stands for the whole KINGDOM OF GOD. ZION stands for the rule of God in all things. ZION also declares that all things which are legitimate are sacred, and that there is nothing secular. In THE KINGDOM OF GOD we are all attending to sacred things.

As to the Second Coming of Christ, ZION takes her stand and proclaims the return of Jesus the Christ—ZION believes that as a movement. Dr. Dowie, I remember, used to say that the difference between ZION people and other people who talk about the Second Coming, is that they lean over the garden gate and say, "Christ is coming," while we preach Christ is coming and work day and night to get ready for His coming. There is a good deal of truth in that. I believe that, before Christ can come, there must be a Church prepared without spot or wrinkle. According to the Word of God, the Bride must be gotten ready.

The Word of God Delineates the Latter-day Apostasy

All this talk about a "great world-wide revival," is nonsense. I do not believe in any such stuff. I have been greatly abused because of what I have said about the Welsh revival. I said there was nothing in it but the work of the flesh. You will find today a more serious condition in Wales than before the so-called revival. One man that went there and investigated conditions, printed his observations in a certain paper, and he said that there was more drunkenness and less genuine religion in Wales today than there was before the so-called revival. These wretched revivals do not amount to the snap of your finger. Where are the ten thousand converts that Torrey made in Australia?

Ah, my brothers and sisters, how precious is the Word of God to us! Be on your guard! Follow it closely.

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days, scoffers, walking after their own lusts—

That is, walking after their own desires.

And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

"O, yes," they say, "you have been talking about the Second Coming all these centuries, and He has not come yet." That is what they say, and you hear that today; and these very fellows that say these things do not know that they are fulfilling prophecy when they say them.

For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

That refers, of course, to the world as it was in Noah's time.

Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

The word "world" there, refers, of course, to the people.

But the heavens and the earth which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

There is not very much trouble to believe that passage is there. It is not very difficult for any man to believe that this earth is stored up with fire. Why, we know that to be a fact, don't we? Who is he that restrains these fires? God. And when the moment comes, He will withdraw His hand, and they will break out, and the world that now is will be destroyed by fire.

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

That is what the Word of God says, and that is what we say. When I pray, I always say, "God, bless Thy children everywhere. Have mercy upon the wicked, and grant that ere the day of mercy shall close, through the efforts of Thy children, many shall be brought out of darkness into the light." That is my prayer; but, at the same time, ZION, I must heed the Word of God: and, if we are approaching the second coming of Christ, "As it was in the days of"—who?

ANSWER: Noah.

GENERAL OVERSEER: "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the days of the Son of Man." That does not look like a "world-wide revival." Where is the sense of talking about the second coming of Christ being near at hand and a "world-wide revival?" Do the two go together? When you hear that kind of talk, you know it is the voice of the devil. Is not that the way the preachers talk? They say they are going to usher in the Millennium by a revival, and it is just so much foolishness. The fact of the matter is that this age was never meant for the conversion of all the world.

This age was meant for the gathering of the Church and the preparing of the Bride; and it is: "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you THE KINGDOM;" "As it was in the days of Noah;" "As it was in the days of Lot;" "When the Son of Man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" Now, where does a "world-wide revival" come in? Where does the "latter rain" come in? There is a lot of nonsense being talked about this "latter rain" business. It is a trick of the devil.

The Prophecy of the Latter Rain Fulfilled on the Day of Pentecost

Now, to illustrate, in Palestine there was the former rain and the latter rain, and so there was a spiritual application of the "former rain" and the "latter rain." When the Holy Ghost was poured out, that was the "latter rain." The "latter rain" came on the day of Pentecost. Do you see that?

God permits heresies to come in to do what? What does He permit them for? That the truth may be made manifest.

And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie.

If you are right, you won't be carried about by the devil. "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." Just as I wrote a person a few months ago who wanted to know why it was that some people are so dreadfully troubled and do not know where they are, while other people are so happy, — I wrote back: there must be something wrong with the people themselves. This company of people here today have, for the most part, all stood like a rock.

Let us dwell on what God is doing, and not on what the devil is doing. Let us think of the obedient men and women. Here are twenty men that love God and ZION, and will do anything in the world for God. — why not think of them and say, "Glory Hallelujah!" — instead of thinking of disobedient men who will serve the devil, and will lie and do wickedly. That is a splendid policy.

Did not Aaron and Miriam have a little conversation one morning? Moses had married an Ethiopian woman, and they spoke against him for doing so, and they said, "Hath God Almighty only spoken by Moses? Hath He not also spoken through us?" God Almighty said, "You three people come out here to the door of the tent. I will settle you." Moses did not do a thing: did you ever notice that? I think that is a very striking thing. I think that is where we make mistakes, when we fight our battles instead of letting God fight for us.

Another time a fellow named Korah took into his head to run Moses and Aaron. He got very smart, and what happened to him? The earth opened and swallowed him.

Don't you bother about people that are not doing right. What is the use to worry? I like to see everybody happy, and you will only be happy by looking on the bright side of things. Look at this lovely people! I want to tell you that people have given money towards maintaining the leases, and made sacrifices that would bring tears to the eyes of any man. Ah, it is true, there is a man that thinks only of money. Pray for him; — but there are hundreds of other people who think more of God than they do of money, — think of them. Ah, there is a lovely spirit, a beautiful spirit. I never saw anything like it — never. We have men and women that are filled with the Spirit of God. We have men and women that do seek first THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and they give every proof of it.

I am a very close observer and a very close student, and I can say, with all humility and with praise to God, that I believe in Him with all my heart, and I believe the Word of God as never before; and, as I look at people and pray for them, I can see certain things. My methods of dealing with the sick are unknown to some of you. I go into the sick room with the gentleness of a mother, and I usually spend very, very little time in the sick room. I cry to God to have mercy.

We all have our imperfections and our shortcomings. Why it is that God permits some to go to their reward, may not be altogether plain to us, but it is plain to God: and, I tell you, I say this day that if my Heavenly Father knows that in years to come I will not do right, I would rather go now, and I tell you, it would be an act of mercy on God's part to permit me to go. I have not made a perfect record, but I am not afraid to face my record before my God, and, if I should go today, it would give me intense joy: because I know that God does not expect of us all that He expected of Jesus the Christ, because we are not perfect.

When I stand by the bedside of a person, who, humanly speaking, is dying, and all they can talk about is their property, I am not surprised that prayer is not answered. I do not say much, because I like to be just as kind and merciful as possible; and there are some cases right now that I just cry to God for mercy.

The Love of Money Leads Multitudes to Destruction

Oh, what a hold money has upon nearly everybody!

I do not say anything, God knows, in the spirit of boasting. I want to say it in the spirit of humility, with inexpressible thanks to His Glorious Name: while I want to make progress, and expect to, I do thank God that I can say from the bottom of my heart there is not a vestige of love of money in my breast, — not a vestige; and I find, in praying with the sick, there is where the trouble comes in.

If you can get the people to seek first THE KINGDOM OF GOD, no one will ever want for anything. God's Word is true: if we do right, He will prosper us. Now, there are some men that can have twenty thousand dollars and not have their minds set on it, or their hearts either, and they love and serve God; but there are other people who, if they have ten cents in their pocket, that is all they think of from morning till night. Oh, how they do love money! Is the Word of God a lie: "The love of money is the root of all evil?" It is true!

"SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE ADDED UNTO YOU."

Stomach Trouble Removed in Answer to Prayer

TEXAS, May 12th, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,

Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:

"Peace to Thee!"

I will first ask you to pray for me. I am thankful to say my stomach trouble is so much better; it is almost entirely well. I thank you and I give God the glory for all blessings.

I thank God for all He has done and is doing through ZION. I pray His richest blessings upon you and yours, and also all ZION throughout the whole world.

Your true sister in Christ Jesus,

(Signed) MRS. LOUISA PHILLIPS.

ZION SCHOOLS

By DEACON THEODORE FORBY

AT a mass meeting held in Shiloh Tabernacle on Wednesday evening, May 17, the service was devoted entirely to the all-absorbing topic of ZION Schools.

The Scripture lesson was read by Apostle E. L. Carey, who, in the course of a few preliminary remarks, said, among other things:

"I did not come thousands of miles to this city to have my children educated in the public schools, because we had public schools in Australia, where they could have gone. I am taking it that you are ZION here tonight, and if that is the case, there are those who will say in their hearts: 'I came to ZION CITY to have my children educated for God and we will not rest until we have the ZION Schools reinstated.'"

The principal address of the evening was delivered by Deacon Theodore Forby, who prefaced his remarks by the reading of many Scriptural references. Among other things, he said:

"Far be it from me to utter one word that is not founded upon the Word of God. There is no more momentous question which concerns ZION than that of the training of the children. I would impress upon your minds that God works along the lines of a plan. We are here tonight as the result of a plan. Not a plan that has been formed within the past few hours, or days, or years, but a plan which has been formed since God created this earth.

THE POWER OF FAITH

"In Hebrews the 11th chapter, the first verse gives utterance to the most powerful word in the Book—*Faith*. God, by the word of His power, uttered the Word and the world stood fast. If we do not put the way and the means before the children, whereby they can study God's meaning, how then can they have faith?

"What was Abraham looking for? 'He looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.' What did it have for its purpose? The service of God. What was the name of the country he sought? THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

"You came here for one of two purposes. You either came to help build a KINGDOM OF GOD City, or else you came for an ulterior purpose.

"The biggest fact in this world is ZION. Now I want you to see ZION CITY—not the streets, the trees, the houses, nor the blocks, but I want you to see the spirit which brought us here, the purpose of which is service for God. ZION is a nation. The nation I want to get into your hearts tonight is THE KINGDOM OF GOD. What are the functions of a nation? Organization for the advantage of its people, that wholesome laws can be made, for the betterment of their families and their children.

No Teacher can Read God's Word in Public Schools of Illinois

"No sooner had our forefathers landed on the shores of New England, than they founded schools, and I am glad to say that they were not ashamed to have the Bible in their schools.

"What do all the nations of the world have? What attention do they pay to the young people? I am ashamed of the State of Illinois. When I say to you that the educational system of this state is no better than the conditions along the line of trade or politics, I do not misstate facts. All the State of Illinois attempts to do is to develop the mental faculties. If perchance a child imbibes any knowledge of the Word of God, he does not get it from the public schools.

"The teacher in the state schools cannot draw his or her illustrations from God's Word. The teacher can refer to the earth, the sky, or the beauties of nature, as object lessons, but he cannot go a step further and explain the origin. He cannot tell the child of the great God Who brought all these things into existence. He is fettered, because the laws of the state of Illinois say you cannot read or teach the Word of God in the public schools."

After reading a lengthy opinion rendered in the case of a teacher who opened her school each morning with the reading of God's Word, and the singing of a hymn, Deacon Forby said:

"No teacher can read the Word of God in the public schools without violating the laws of Illinois. Will we stand for it? We have been playing the fool long enough. The devil got in here when parochial schools were put aside. Do you want the schools under the laws of Illinois, or under the laws of THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

Where is Your Treasure?

"'As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.' If we will do that, there will be no trouble about ZION Schools. If we are here to a man and a woman as citizens of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, then we can have no other thing before us than the interests of THE KINGDOM.

"It will be an easy matter to finance ZION Schools, if we get the spirit of it. We have to support the state schools because the laws of Illinois compel us to do so. Is it possible that we will not do for God under grace what we do for the state under the lash of the law? Remember that we are building monuments that will last.

"'Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

"'But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal:

"'For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.' —Matthew 6:19, 20, 21.

"Where is your treasure? Is your treasure in ZION, or is it in Illinois? Would you rather have the laws of Illinois, which say you shall have no Bible in the school, or the laws of ZION? Do you want to go back where you came from? A man who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is unworthy of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. It is either God and ZION, or it is the world and the devil. You must burn your bridges behind you.

Faith Cometh by Hearing

"The purpose of our argument tonight is for the children. We want to build up Christian character in the young people. We stand face to face with the revealing of God's Word to the rising generation. 'Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.' Then if your child does not hear the Word of God, how can he have faith? I plead that the children shall be given instruction where God's Word shall be the chief text-book. We must teach the children every day in the fundamental principles of the Bible.

"The first business is to train a child in obedience, and to love and obey God. It is not all book learning that we want. There are a hundred and one different things which are needed in order to develop character and usefulness. We need to have a ZION standard, and the working out of that standard can only be done in ZION Schools.

Need of Special Teaching

"The children need to be taught politeness. I would like to see ZION Schools where domestic science is taught. There is a great field along that line. It would be nice to have a dining-room where the children could have their lunch together, and where they could be taught to eat in a proper manner at the table. Seamstresses could be at work teaching children how to make dresses.

"We must get away from the ways of the world. We must get a good vocabulary. We must live in the atmosphere of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. We must be a peculiar and a spiritual people. We want to get the children saved so that they will love God's Word and ZION literature. Then we will see ZION grow.

"When you meet a child on the street, give him a kind word and a kind look. Every little act of that kind will return to you many fold. Win a child's love and confidence. I would want no greater treasure than to know I had lead a child to Christ.

Importance of Zion Schools

"I would to God that the ZION Schools could start tomorrow! My heart bleeds when I go among the juniors and realize that there are many of them who do not know God experimentally.

"I do not hesitate to say that I put the schools in behalf of the children even ahead of the church. In the Bible School and the services of the week, they get religious instruction a few hours, but if we have ZION Schools, the teacher can take up the training of the children on Monday morning where the services of Lord's Day have left off, and if the children hear God's truths seven days in a week, it is bound to take effect.

"Where there are only ZION boys and girls in the playgrounds, there will not be the contaminating influences to which they are now exposed. The only thing we can do is to drive a wedge between the boys and girls of ZION and those who are not ZION."

Wherein Will Lie the Difference?

Apostle Peckham asked the question: "Will not the course of study be much the same, in the main, as those now followed in the public schools, with the addition of the Bible?" Deacon Forby replied: "The General Overseer himself asked this question the other night in the teachers' meeting, which lasted until the small hours of the morning: 'Wherein will be the difference in the instruction, granting that it be the same teacher?' I say there will be a difference. By having our own schools, we can eliminate certain parts taught in the text-books that are contrary to the teaching of the Word of God. The children will have as a monitor, Jesus Christ.

"We will, of course, have regular instruction in reading, arithmetic, orthography, history, and the other fundamentals, but the Word of God will be the principal text-book. Others will be added. The children will be taught the laws of THE KINGDOM OF GOD first."

Plan for Financing Zion Schools

Apostle Carey, before pronouncing the benediction, explained that the General Overseer's plan for financing ZION Schools is to assess every man and woman according to their ability to pay. The man who is able to pay much will be assessed much, and the man who can do but little, will be assessed accordingly. Let everybody in ZION trust God and pray for ZION schools.

BAPTISMS

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"Be Sure Your Sin Will Find You Out"

A Report of of the Service Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.,
Lord's Day Afternoon, November 14, 1915, Address by Apostle William S. Peckham.

(Reported by E. G. Paff)

ZION Junior White-Robed Choir entered the Tabernacle singing in PROCESSIONAL, "BRIGHTLY GLEAMS OUR BANNER."

Brightly gleams our banner,
Pointing to the sky,
Waving on Christ's soldiers
To their home on high.
Marching thro' the desert,
Gladly thus we pray,
Still with hearts united,
Singing on our way.

Jesus, Lord and Master,
At Thy sacred feet,
Here with hearts rejoicing,
See Thy children meet.
Often have we left Thee,
Often gone astray;
Keep us, mighty Saviour,
In the narrow way.

All our days direct us,
In the way we go;
Crown us still victorious,
Over every foe:
Bid Thine angels shield us
When the storm-clouds low'r;
Pardon, Lord, and save us
In the last dread hour.

Then with saints and angels
May we join above,
Off'ring pray'rs and praises
At Thy throne of love.
When the toil is over,
Then comes rest and peace,
Jesus in His beauty
Songs that never cease.

INVOCATION by APOSTLE WILLIAM S. PECKHAM:

God be merciful unto us and bless us,
And cause His Face to shine upon us;
That Thy Way may be known upon the earth,
Thy Saving Health among all the nations,
For the Sake of Jesus. Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let all join heartily in singing HYMN
No. 21—"ROCK OF AGES."

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Save me from its guilt and power.

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfil Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress,
Helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly,
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
While mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

After the singing of this Hymn, the choir and congregation remained standing and recited together the APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His Only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;
Born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate;
Was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven;
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The Holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body;
And the Life Everlasting. Amen.

ZION Junior Choir then rendered the Selection, "CAN HE COUNT ON YOU?"

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Apostle Darms will lead us in the General Supplication. Let us pray.

APOSTLE DARMS: Almighty God, our kind and loving Heavenly Father, we come to Thee with praise and thanksgiving this afternoon, thanking Thee for all of the blessings of life which Thou hast given to us: for health, for food and shelter, and for the great spiritual blessings that make life so intensely interesting to us Thy children.

We thank Thee, O Father in heaven, that Thou hast not left us without a guide in this dark and sinful world. Thou hast given us Thy Word as a lamp unto our feet and a light upon our pathway. Above all, we thank Thee for the wonderful light that is shed on our pathway through Jesus the Christ, Who said, "I am the Light of the world!" We thank Thee that the Sun of Righteousness has risen with healing in His wings!

We thank Thee, Father in heaven, that the light has come and has shone in the darkness, and that we today can know Thy love, and Thy power to save!

Jesus the Christ has come in the flesh—has been born of woman, and has been made like unto us, sin excepted. O Father, we thank Thee for the perfect life of the Christ—that He was, in deed and in truth, an Overcomer. He was the One Who overcame all temptation, and Who set a perfect example for us to follow in His footsteps.

Father, wilt Thou inspire us this afternoon to look to Him and to follow Him, and to be His disciples in deed and in truth, that of us it may be said, as it was said of the disciples of old, "Ye are the light of the world! Ye are the salt of the earth!"

Grant, our Father, that we shall not live the Christian life in vain, but that we shall be willing to lay down our lives for others, even as Christ has laid down His life for us.

We know, our Father, that in many things we have fallen short. We have sinned in thought and in deed so many times throughout our lives, but in teaching us, through Jesus the Christ, to overcome, Thou hast taught us, O God, that we should abstain from the very appearance of evil.

Grant, O God, that we shall reach this perfect life, that we shall be able to fulfill the command of Jesus the Christ, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect." Grant that we may live a life void of offense and blameless, and that we, not only individually but collectively, shall become a Church "without spot or wrinkle." May we, as a people, become a perfect people—a people of whom it may be said, "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people," that we may "shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light."

We thank Thee for the light that is shining in Zion!

We thank Thee, Father in heaven, for the light, for the covenants that Thou hast revealed to Thy people in Zion in these latter days.

O God, grant that the light shall go forth from this place to the nations of the world, and that the world shall realize that God is preparing a people for the Coming of the King, and that here is gathered together a people in Zion, who are determined, from start to finish, to do the Will of God in all things, and to set an example to the nations of the world of what it means to keep Thy commands and Thy covenants.

We pray, O God, for all who are present here this afternoon.

We pray Thee, our Father, to bless all of Thy people, and grant Thy special blessing upon the sick and upon the afflicted in Zion at this time. Do Thou stretch forth Thy mighty hand to heal Thine afflicted people, and may they trust Thee fully, and may they look to Thee for complete deliverance that signs and wonders may be wrought in the Name of Jesus, and the testimony go forth through LEAVES OF HEALING and the Literature of Zion, that God is a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God: for in Zion we KNOW our God to be a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God.

We pray Thee, our Father in heaven, to bless our leader this afternoon as he stands before the people in the city of Chicago, in Central Zion Tabernacle. Wilt Thou grant, O Father in heaven, to speak words of life through him, and grant that the people shall listen and shall hearken to the Message, and that many shall be saved and brought from darkness into Thy marvelous light.

Grant to bless the work that is being done in all parts of this world through the messengers of Zion, wherever the banner of Zion is held up.

Grant, O God, that the people shall realize that the banner over us is love, and that God has set up His standard of righteousness in Zion for the nations of the world.

We pray Thee, O God, to bless our country, bless the land and nation of which we are a part; and the President of this nation, and all who are in authority upon whom such heavy responsibilities rest. O God, may they seek Thee. May they seek wisdom from Thee in directing the affairs of the nation. Grant that national sin shall be put away, that Thy Word, Thy cause, and Thy truth may triumph. We know they shall triumph when the Christ shall come. We are looking for His Coming, and we cry, "Lord Jesus, Come! Come quickly!" Oh, may we be ready for Him when He comes, be it morning, be it noon, or be it night!

We pray Thee, Father in heaven, to bless this service this afternoon. We pray especially for Thy blessing upon Thy servant whom Thou hast called to speak to us the wonderful words of Life. As he stands on this platform before the people this afternoon, we pray Thee to endue him with the power of the Holy Spirit—with power from on high. Grant, our Father in heaven, that as he unfolds the Word of God, he shall be inspired by the Holy Spirit to speak to us the message that we individually and collectively need most of all at this time, and that we shall be profited greatly. As we listen with attentive hearts, may we realize that the words that are spoken are from Thy throne of grace, and may they reach down to the very depths of our spirits and lay hold upon us, and then we shall improve by the message that is given this afternoon.

We pray Thee to bless all of the officers in Zion, all of the members, and all of the homes in Zion.

Bless Zion City.

Grant that we, as a people, shall not fail, but that we shall do our work faithfully; and when the Master shall come to give His reward to His servants, may we be among the faithful ones who shall hear the welcome words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things."

In the Name of Jesus and for His Sake, we ask it. Amen.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Hear and answer, our Heavenly Father, this earnest petition. And now hear us as we come to Thee in behalf of the sick. We thank Thee that there are so few sick. We thank Thee that there are no contagious diseases in Zion City today. We thank Thee, O God, for Thy wonderful Divine Keeping Power.

And now, Lord, some have been stricken by Satan's foul hand. We pray Thee, O God, this afternoon, help them to realize as never before that the "healing of Christ's seamless dress is by all beds of pain." Help them to know that anywhere and everywhere we may reach out and know the Divine power of the Savior to heal, cleanse and keep.

We pray Thee earnestly for this little one, O God! Spare this life. Wilt Thou, at this very hour, give, by Thy Holy Spirit's power, Thy Divine, healing touch to this child!

O God, bless the others. Help them to trust Thee fully. Help them to obey. Help them in all things to put away sin.

Grant, O God, that all may come to the place where they can fully trust Thee, for Thy power is the same; Thy love is unchanging.

Thou art, from the beginning to the end, a mighty wonder-working God.

We are Thine, and Thou art ours.

Hear our prayer.

Once more we pray for the meetings in Chicago.

We pray for our leader whom Thou hast sent, and whom Thou art using in the building-up of Zion.

We pray that some word that is spoken this afternoon may touch sinners' hearts, and many be cleansed. May Zion be born in some hearts, this afternoon, who have never gotten the vision.

We pray that Thou wilt bless this afternoon as we shall speak. Wilt Thou, by Thy Holy Spirit's power, convict of sin, of righteousness, and of a judgment to come.

Hear us, Father, and bless us, for Jesus' Sake, in Whose Name we pray, and Who, in the days of His flesh, taught us to pray, and when we pray to say:

Our Father Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For

Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let us praise God in the use of HYMN No. 577—"I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER."

I will sing of my Redeemer,
And His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered,
From the curse to set me free.

CHORUS:—

Sing, oh, sing of my Redeemer!
With His blood He purchased me,
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt, and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story,
How my lost estate to save,
In His boundless love and mercy,
He the ransom freely gave.

I will praise my dear Redeemer,
His triumphant power I'll tell;
How the victory He giveth
Over sin, and death, and hell.

I will sing of my Redeemer,
And His heavenly love to me;
He from death to life hath brought me,
Son of God, with Him to be.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Let us give careful attention to the reading of God's Word. Elder Moot will read the first selection—the Nineteenth Psalm.

ELDER MOOT:

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handywork.

Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and His circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is Thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Who can understand His errors? cleanse Thou me from secret faults.

Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: Elder Tindall will read the second selection—the First Chapter of First John.

ELDER TINDALL:

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;

(For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)

That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.

And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all.

If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

But 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 say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us.

APOSTLE PECKHAM: May God bless the reading of His Own Inspired Word!

While the Offertory was being played on the Pipe Organ, the Tithes and Free Will Offerings were received, after which the Junior Choir rendered a second selection entitled, "ALL PRAISE TO GOD."

Apostle Darms then made the Announcements for the week.

ELDER HARWOOD: We will now sing HYMN No. 447—"SIN NO MORE!"

Sin no more! thy soul is free.
Christ has died to ransom thee;
Now the power of sin is o'er,
Jesus bids thee "sin no more."

CHORUS:—

Sin no more! thy soul is free.
Christ has died to ransom thee;
Sing the message o'er and o'er,
Christ forgives thee, sin no more.

Sin no more! but closely keep
Near the Hand that guards the sheep;
Shun the snares that lured before,
Trembling go, and sin no more.

Sin no more! His blood hath bought,
Think on what His love hath wrought;
Think of what for thee He bore,
Weeping go, and sin no more.

Sin no more! O sin no more!
Jesus lives to keep thee pure;
If o'ertaken He'll restore,
Saying, "Go, and sin no more."

— ADDRESS —

APOSTLE PECKHAM:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy Sight, be profitable unto this people, and accompanied by the power of the Holy Spirit, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

Before all that I shall say this afternoon, I place these verses of Scripture:

Numbers 32:23—****Be sure your sin will find you out.
Genesis 16:13—****Thou God seest me.****
Ecclesiastes 12:14—For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

We cannot escape from our sins. Sin is an awful, terrible fact although there are multitudes who say:

"There is no sin!"

"There is no God to whom the sinner is responsible."

"There is no judgment awaiting those who sin."

The Universality of Sin

But the Word of our God deals, from Genesis to Revelation, with the subject of sin, and with the history of sinners as well as of God's people, and, for the most part, God's people have been sinners.

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.—Romans 3:23.

Christ alone without sin—the only perfect one.

The Psalmist says that he prays to be cleansed from secret faults, and to be kept back from presumptuous sins.

Who can understand his errors? cleanse Thou me from secret faults.

Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.—Psalm 19:12, 13.

Therefore, sins are of two kinds—secret sins and presumptuous sins—sins that are hidden and sins that are boldly and willingly committed.

But this afternoon, and to this audience, I believe it is wise to deal with secret sins, and, after all, the secret or hidden sins are the sins that finally become open and known—not only to God, but to men and angels.

Sin is first in the thought and in the heart before it breaks forth in overt act.

Secret sin—we say it is a little thing. We say it is a little sin. But there is no such thing, in God's sight, as a little sin!

It is always the principle that is at stake. Sin, whether, in the sight of men, little or great, is ever disobedience to God—is ever displeasing to Him, and as within the acorn is hidden the great and mighty oak, so in a little sin may be hidden a world of iniquity and of awful destruction.

The fact that a sin is not known to men does not lessen the guilt.

Secret sin is passed over as though it were not known, but all sin is against God, and committed in His sight. Whatever the sin may be—little or great; wherever it may be committed—in the darkness or in the light, in the chamber or in the street, it matters not: the Eye of God rests upon us, and it is true, "Thou God seest me!" Darkness is light with God. There is no darkness with Him—all is light.

The All-Seeing Eye of God Ever Upon Us

Some years ago, as I visited the Leland Stanford University, of California, I went into their place of worship, and I looked around at the different sights—at the statues of the Twelve Apostles and various things of interest. Suddenly looking up, I beheld, just above my head, a great Eye, calling to remembrance the truth of God: "The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good." The Eternal Eye—"Thou God seest me!"

What an awful thing it is when we think that every sin that we commit is not alone against ourselves or against others, but it is against God—it is in His sight, it is known to Him, and we cannot cover it up.

Thou hast set our iniquities before Thee, our secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.—Psalm 90:8.

Time will not annihilate sin, concealment will not hide it, and death will not cover it up nor swallow it up.

Sin is sin, and its deadly work must be apparent to all.

Sin! Awful sin!!

Sin both Attractive and Deceptive

But sin is never awful in its beginning. It is generally attractive in the beginning. We think, we look, we desire—perhaps we touch, and then realize in the end that that which was beautiful is but ashes—that which promises delight ends in sorrow.

Oh, how awful is sin in its out-working—ever accumulating in power and force when it is once taken into our hearts!

How great a sin follows! for every sin that is great has been preceded by a lesser sin, and perhaps by lesser sins, until it was easy to commit a great sin. The realization of the awfulness of sin, it seems to me, is the one great need of the world today, for they have told us that there is no such thing as sin, that Satan does not exist, and that he does not tempt men; that God is good, and God is love, and that there is no such thing as judgments falling upon any.

The Bible is intensely interesting as we study the characters whose lives are given to us upon its pages—as we study the things that caused great judgments to fall upon men; and also as we study the little things that kept men from great judgments and shielded them from the power of Satan. How wonderful!

The effects of little disobediences are far reaching in dire consequences.

Sin a Devouring Monster

It was a little thing in the sight of men that Cain committed, for he brought his offering and presented it to the Lord, but he did not obey God in the *kind* of offering that he brought. God rejected his offering because it was without blood. And when God looked upon Cain, after He received not his offering, seeing that his countenance was dark and foreboding, He said:

If thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

The Hebrew makes it very much stronger, for it says, "Sin *croucheth* at the door" like a monster ready to spring upon its victim.

"Vice is a monster of such hideous mien,
That to be hated needs but to be seen;
But seen too oft, familiar with his face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace."

The little sin committed may be without the door, but it is ready there to spring within when the heart's door is opened and take full possession, and perhaps mean your death and destruction. Sin *croucheth* at the door.

Every sin that you have committed is ready to overwhelm you.

Time Cannot Efface Sin

Do not think that your sins are forgotten! Perhaps it was many years ago that you stole that money; perhaps it was many years ago that you told that lie that meant suffering and agony to the one whom you defamed; perhaps it was many years ago that you committed that little sin, but the leaven is there, and the sin remains. There is only one way to get rid of that sin, and that is, with tears of repentant sorrow, to confess, and make right, as far as within you lies, the sin that has been committed.

Remember that sin gathers to itself ever increasing forces, and whenever you let sin in—no matter how little it may be, it will grow and grow and grow, ever with increasing ratio, until it binds you in bands that cannot be broken—until you are held by it as by iron chains.

Sin is like leaven which works unseen, but pollutes the whole man.

Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.—Luke 12:1.

Oh, beware of the first entrance of sin!

Oh, beware of the first departure from purity and virtue!

Beware of beginnings!

Watch the entrance of sin, and shun, as you would a viper, him who would come with evil suggestions, or make to you any proposition along lines of sinfulness and impurity.

Shun even the appearance of evil, and as we often sing:

"Shun evil companions,
Bad language disdain,
God's name hold in reverence,
Nor take it in vain."

Evil companions, bad language, irreverence, and profanity are hurrying many down the road to hell.

The so-called lesser sins—the little sins that are passed over without a thought, pave the way to greater sins, and make it possible for you to do the great deed, and get far away from God.

There is little concern about evil thinking, evil speaking, envy, jealousy, malice, pride or arrogance.

Selfishness, self-righteousness, self-will lie at the bottom of flagrant sins.

Oh, may God search our hearts this afternoon, and help us to realize the awfulness of sin and what it means to be a sinner!

Sin the Direct Cause of Sickness

I believe that we may preach too much about healing and not enough about the sin that makes the sickness, and calls for healing. The first work that must be done before healing can come is to eradicate sin—is to put away the things that have caused the sickness. Were there no sin there would be no sickness.

After Jesus healed the impotent man at the Pool of Bethesda He said:

Sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.—John 5:14.

And to the paralytic Jesus said:

Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.

These passages of Scripture and many others, make sickness the result of sin.

As we read God's Word, we find that, for the most part, the little sins were the ones that caused the greatest judgments to fall upon humanity.

A little of the spirit of covetousness creeps into the heart and, lo and behold, Achan is a thief! Lo and behold, Gehazi is a leper! Lo and behold, punishment and trouble comes upon Saul and the people because they have not obeyed the command of Jehovah! They had kept, mark you, seemingly for a good purpose—to offer sacrifice unto God (at least so they said), the sheep and the oxen which God bade them destroy; but they had disobeyed God's command.

Oh, how terrible are the results of little departures from the straight way—a little yielding here and a little yielding there!

Oh, beware of yielding to the first suggestion of the evil one!

Neglect is the Pathway to Hell

The sins that you and I need to watch are the sins of omission—sins of neglect—failure to do.

How many today can say that they are not guilty of sins of omission?

Sins of omission are as great in God's sight as the sins of commission.

Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.—James 4:17.

God, you know, does not weigh matters by men's standards nor scales. No! There is a Divine measure. There are Divine scales on which every action is weighed.

A little leak, and the ship is sunk!

A little neglect, and a failure comes!

A man begins to overlook certain duties—fails to do certain things in connection with his business, things run along in a slipshod, haphazard way, and it does not take very long for that business to go to the wall. Little things have not been attended to—they have been omitted, and disaster comes as a result of failure to watch the little leaks and the little duties, and to look after minor things.

As we often say, "Take care of the cents, and the dollars will take care of themselves." If we will watch the little sins, there will never be any great sins for us to fight. No man ever committed a great sin until he had committed lesser ones.

So I say to you again:

Watch the beginnings!

Set a sentinel for your minds and your hearts!

Watch the little things that come in to defile!

The Terrible Consequences of the Sin of Neglect

Neglect not private communion with God.

Neglect your private devotions, as many do—and there is the secret of many of the failures in the Christian life: the fact that they have neglected these apparently little things.

They have neglected to wait upon God.

They have no place of secret prayer.

They have no place where they turn to God and in private devotion, hold sweet communion with Him.

Neglect of personal, private devotion lies at the bottom of most of the failure in the Christian life.

Neglect of the Word of God is a great sin of omission which we call a little sin—which we pass over without a thought.

We have no time!

We have no time for private devotion!

We have no time to read the Word of God!

We neglect them—simply do not do. We omit them from our daily lives, and let the devil in.

Family worship neglected. How soon the children notice it! How soon they throw off the restraint that has been over them in the Church and in the public worship when they see this neglect in the home!

Oh, let there be no neglect—no sin of omitting the family worship.

Let there be no neglect anywhere!

How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?—Hebrews 2:2.

There is no escape from the penalty of sin!

Let us omit nothing that we ought to do!

Let us keep these things that we know to be our duty ever before us!

Let there be no lack along these lines.

Neglect not to pay your tithes if you desire the blessing of God upon your life, your home, your business—upon all that pertains to you, as we read in the prophet Malachi.

The Far-reaching Effects of Little Sins

These little things that we pass over, and which are not known to men—they are known only to you and to God, but they are the things that will make for your damnation—they are the things that will at last result in your estrangement from God, and in the breaking of that sweet fellowship which you may at one time have enjoyed.

Beware!

Beware!!

A thief is not made in a moment, although the thief spirit may be made in an instant, and you may become a thief by a little, single act, and never realize that you are a thief. We think of a thief as one who has stolen a thousand dollars and is, perhaps, behind prison bars. The thief is you who took that lead pencil when the back of the pupil was turned. Then the thief was made, and unless that little sin is confessed and made right, it will lead on to other things, and perhaps to the penitentiary's door, for every time that you commit a sin the door of the penitentiary swings a little wider, and the door of hell opens a little wider, and by and by you will enter within its portals—by and by you will be there.

Ah, the thief was made when you took that electric light bulb.

The thief was made when you took that piece of soap.

The thief was made when you took that pin.

The thief was made when the spirit of thieving effected an entrance within your heart, and has grown day by day so that now practically everything you see you want to take.

The thief spirit is there, and it is only by exercising the strongest will power that in the presence of others you are kept from stealing.

Remember, when you took that postage stamp, you became a thief.

Remember, when you took that can of goods from the store, you became a thief.

One Theft, However Small, Makes a Thief

Remember, when you took that penny, you became a thief, and the multiplication of thefts only makes you a greater thief, that is all. This is true of all forms of evil.

You are a thief in the sight of Almighty God.

You are a thief, and everything that you have stolen must be restored, and everything that you have held back must be given up, and only the blood of Jesus can take away the sin.

Remember, when you kept back ten cents from your tithes, you were a thief.

When you kept back your tithes, or a part of your tithes, you were a robber. God says so!

The thief is parent to the robber!

Remember, when you shirk that hour in your employer's work, you become a thief. You have stolen sixty precious minutes or you have stolen five precious minutes that did not belong to you, and that had been paid for by your employer.

How many thieves are there in ZION?

How much shirking is there done on the job?

I remember in one of my missions, I had a man come to me and confess that he had, in connection with his superintendent or his foreman, padded his time, and had shared with his foreman a part of the money that had been paid in excess of his labors. He wanted to confess it, and wanted me to send a draft to the man who employed him, and make a clean breast of it. I tell you he was right, but he was no more a thief than you who have stolen from ZION's time. To take money is not the only thing that makes a thief. Ah, no! To take anything that does not belong to us makes a thief.

If I am paid for eight hours work, or ten hours work, or twelve hours work, and give anything under it, I am a thief. I have received money under false pretences, or I have failed to keep my covenant with my employer. Oh, may God help us to see that these little things are the things that lead to greater ones! We must guard ourselves well along these lines.

"The Eyes of the Lord are in Every Place"

Now these things are known to God. They are uncovered in His sight.

Have you done these things?

Have you done other things?

Be sure your sin will find you out!

Generally speaking, it will find you out right here on earth, and particularly speaking, it will find you out in ZION more than in the world. There is a day coming when, as I read to you, every work will be brought into judgment—every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil.

Perhaps today we would not like to see flashed upon these walls the acts and the sins of our lives, but the day is coming

when they will be flashed so that all shall see them, because before the Father and the angels, Christ will bring us to judgment, and we will be judged for every secret thing.

The Departure of the Holy Spirit From this World

It seems to me that the Holy Spirit has not only left the churches, but it seems to me that He has begun His departure from the world, and that it will not be long until there will be no conviction of sin, and of righteousness, and judgment, because the Spirit will have departed, and chaos and destruction will be here—the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

That is the way it seems to me, for there is so little realization of sin. People no longer preach about sin. They preach about many other things.

The awfulness of sin is not dwelt upon as it was by Finney and by Moody and by multitudes of those great and mighty men who struck their telling blows against sin and iniquity in low and in high places. It seems to me that today in all these so-called revivals, the work is merely an effort for reformation on the part of these evangelists, and that a deep conviction of sin, and of the awfulness of sin, and of a judgment to come, no longer rests upon the hearts of the people.

May God, by the Holy Spirit, come this afternoon in mighty convicting power to every one—to saint and sinner alike; to those who openly sin, to those who are closely hiding sin, and to those who are neglecting these great and wonderful privileges, and are standing today in dangerous places, that they may be awakened to their awful condition, for judgment awaits every one.

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.—Ecclesiastes 12:14.

Oh, the wrath to come!

Oh, the damnation of hell!

Oh, the everlasting fire!

Oh, the darkness without, and the gnashing of teeth!

Oh, my brothers and sisters, sin will separate us from God, not only here but in Eternity!

Sin will separate us, and keep us out of heaven.

Sin will land us in hell with the damned spirits.

Oh, how can we look upon any sin as little!

How can we look upon any sin with tolerance!

God not only loves, but He hates.

God hates sin, and all who are God's hate sin. All who have been born again hate sin.

If this afternoon, as you sit here, you feel the convicting power of the Holy Spirit, and you realize that there are some sins you have committed in secret, that there are some things which God would have you to do—if you realize that you have committed the sin of unbelief in God, and disobedience to His Word, oh, hasten, my brothers and sisters, to the feet of your Savior—hasten to the place where there is forgiveness, for the dark, dark hour is coming when there will be no forgiveness, when heaven's door will be shut, and when there will be no longer opportunity. Then you will know that you are damned!

This may be the case with some who have been church members. This may be the case with some who have been members of ZION.

Jesus may have to say:

Inasmuch as ye did it not unto the least of these, ye did it not unto Me. Depart, ye cursed!

Sins of omission will call upon you the anathemas of God.

The Distinction between Sin and Sins

Sins of omission will land you in hell just as truly as will murder or fornication or any of these sins which we call great from a human standpoint. The standard which God puts up is a standard that covers not only the greater but the lesser sin, and it is sin that separates us from God—not sins but *sin*: sin in the heart—the thing that leads you to do wrong.

Sin itself is what separates you from God—not the act, not the sin committed, be it great or small. It is sin itself that separates you from God. But there is a Fountain opened in ZION for uncleanness.

For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in Zion.—Joel 3:21.

The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.—I John 1:7.

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains."

This afternoon, your hope is in Jesus. He alone can save you from sin; He alone can keep you from sin; He alone can present you faultless before the throne of God.

Let Him in this afternoon, and He will keep you from sin; He will keep you from sickness; He will keep you from the power of Satan.

The Word of our God is true.

The day is coming when you will answer to your God.

Oh, may you flee from the wrath to come, for surely it is coming! The wrath of Almighty God is coming upon every sinner.

An Earnest Plea to Sinners

Oh, come to Jesus!

Come to Jesus now!

We are looking forward to the special meetings around the All-Night.

Come to Jesus now!

Some here, perhaps, will be putting it off. Do not put it off! Do not put it off!

Tomorrow may be too late!

The door may be shut, and these awful words may fall upon your ear:

"Too late, ye cannot enter now!"

It is a little thing to do.

That may be the little thing that will shut heaven's door for you, for between this and the All-Night meeting there are weeks through which some of you may not pass. Some of you may not see the light of the New Year's Day. Some may pass away!

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.—II Corinthians 6:2.

Are you ready to meet your God?

Is your peace made with Him?

Are you prepared?

We know not what a day may bring forth—yea, not even an hour! Our only safety is in turning to Him at this moment. Now is the day of salvation!

Now is the accepted time!

O sinner, I call upon you this afternoon to come to Jesus as you are, sinful though you be. I call upon you to come to Him. He will save you. He will cleanse you.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. I John 1:9.

Repent, confess, restore!

Oh, give your hearts to Him! Do it now! Settle it once for all.

As we sing this hymn, "I WILL," if there is one sinner here who wants to turn to God, Turn! He will be waiting to receive you. He will be there to put upon you a robe, to put upon your hand a ring, and to give you a new song.

Come, sinner, come!

Lay yourself at the feet of Jesus! Do it now!

Say to God, "I will! I will be wholly Thine!"

He will receive you.

He will pardon you.

He will cleanse you.

He will make you His Own son, and He will give you a home in heaven.

Let us sing, in closing, Hymn number 257, "I WILL."

As we sing this hymn, let us mean it!

Let us say it, and sing it from the heart.

Let us tell God that we will be wholly His.

Once more, my soul, thy Savior, thro' the Word,
Is offered full and free;
And now, O Lord, I must, I must decide;
Shall I accept of Thee?

CHORUS.—

I will! I will! I will, God helping me,
I will be Thine!
Thy precious blood was shed to purchase me—
I will be wholly Thine!

By grace I will Thy mercy now receive,
Thy love my heart has won;
On Thee, O Christ, I will, I will believe,
And trust in Thee alone!

Thou knowest, Lord, how very weak I am,
And how I fear to stray;
For strength to serve I look to Thee alone—
The strength Thou must supply!

And now, O Lord, give all with us today
The grace to join our song;
And from the heart to gladly with us say:
"I will to Christ belong!"

To all who came, when Thou wast here below,
And said, "O Lord, wilt Thou:"
To them "I will!" was ever Thy reply;
We rest upon it now.

Father in heaven, bless we pray Thee, this congregation.
Now bless us as with one heart and voice we pray.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. Take me as I am. Make me what I ought to be in spirit, in soul, and in body. Give me Thy Holy Spirit that I may have power to do right in all things, no matter what it costs. Keep me from sin. Keep me from falling. Make me Thy child. Take away my sin. Help me to win others. Help me to be true and faithful. Help me to overcome every sin, and give to me the inheritance of Thy Son, for Jesus' Sake. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Beloved, abstain from every appearance of evil, and may the very God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly. I pray God that your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame, unto the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Faithful is He Who calleth you. Who also will do it. Now may grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father, Jesus the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, one Triune God, be with you, bless you, and keep you, and all the Israel of God everywhere. Amen.

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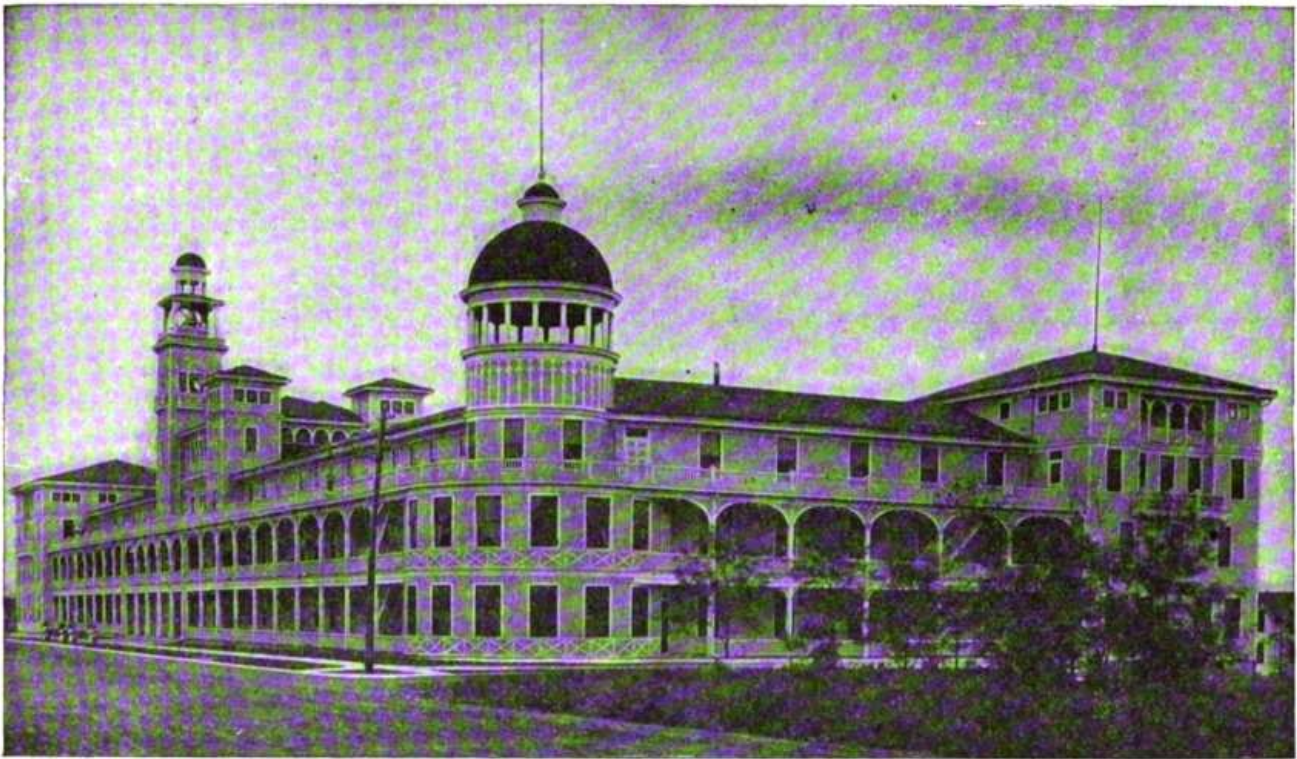
ZION HOME is not a hotel, but is just what its name implies—a HOME, a quiet dwelling place for the officers and members of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, and for others who wish to come to a Christian Home, where splendid rooms and good meals may be had, and where profanity, obscenity, card-playing, dancing, drugs, intoxicants, and tobacco are strictly prohibited.

ZION HOME is a beautiful, quiet resting place.

ZION HOME is a three-story building, 340 feet long and 130 feet wide. The building has 350 rooms, 267 of which are guest rooms. There are five parlors, two lobbies, 25 bath rooms, and 22 toilet rooms; four large verandas, with a combined length of 680 feet, a roof garden 35x50, and a tower 75 feet high.

In this tower is a large bell, which is rung at nine o'clock every morning and every evening, calling the people of the city to prayer for one minute.

The building is illuminated by 1200 electric lights.



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Rooms may be had—one person in a room, 75c per day and up; two in a room, \$1.25 per day and up.

Meals—35c and up; by the week, \$5.00 and up.

The first floor, in the north division, west side, is reserved especially for the sick who wish to come to ZION HOME for teaching and for prayer for healing. The Prayer Room is located in this division, and will be specially arranged for Divine Healing meetings. The General Overseer will conduct two Divine Healing meetings each week, and also a special meeting on Saturday evenings for guests. Charges are made for room and board only. No charge of any kind is made for any services rendered, in the way of teaching or prayer for the sick. Free-will offerings only are received. No nurses are provided, but splendid ZION nurses can be obtained by persons who desire same.

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ZION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

ZION Schools — Kindergarten, Junior School, and Preparatory Department—will open, God willing, Monday, September 18, 1916.

We are grateful to God for the intense interest shown, not only by the officers and members in ZION CITY, but by many outside of ZION CITY.

The main Educational Building, consisting of four floors, is being thoroughly cleaned and put into proper shape for the opening on Monday, September 18th.

We ask the officers, members, and friends of ZION everywhere, to pray earnestly for this important work.

We sincerely thank, in the Name of the Lord, all of the brothers and sisters in Christ who have voluntarily sent money for the support of the schools.

As already announced, the plan—and it is truly in accordance with the principles of THE KINGDOM OF GOD—is to assess the members of the Church for the support of these schools; this assessment to be made, after very earnest prayer, on a proper basis, with fairness and justness to each and every one.

The assessment, when made,—and it will be made within the next week or ten days—will cover a period of twelve months, and the assessment may be paid in twelve equal monthly payments, or quarterly in advance, or semi-annually in advance.

A number have not waited for this plan to be put into effect, but have voluntarily sent in the following amounts:

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Numbers
Handwork

Music
Art

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Bible
Reading
Numbers
Handwork
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art

THIRD YEAR—

Bible
Reading
Arithmetic
Language
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art

FOURTH YEAR—

Bible
Reading
Arithmetic
Geography
Language
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art

Departmental Division

FIFTH YEAR—

Bible
History and
Reading
Arithmetic
Geography
Language
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art

SIXTH YEAR—

Bible
History and
Reading
Arithmetic
Geography
Language
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art
Right Living

SEVENTH YEAR—

Bible and
Zion Literature
History and
Reading
Arithmetic
Grammar
Geography
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art
Right Living

EIGHTH YEAR—

Bible and
Zion History
Arithmetic
History and
Literature
Grammar and
Composition
Geography
Spelling
Writing

Music
Art
Sewing and
Construction work

Course of Study Zion Preparatory College

FIRST YEAR

Bible
Algebra 5
English 5
Latin 5
Botany 3

Bible
Algebra 5
English 5
Latin 5
Botany 3

SECOND YEAR

Bible
Geometry 5
English 5
Latin 5
Practical Law 3

Bible
Geometry 5
English 5
Latin 5
Bookkeeping 3

THIRD YEAR

Bible and
Zion Literature
Ancient History 5
English 5
Caesar 5
Practical Law 3

Bible and
Zion Literature
Medieval History 5
English 5
Caesar 5
Bookkeeping 3

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Faithfully yours,

W. HURD CLENDINEN,

General Manager

Administration Building,
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September 7, 1916.

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the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree
were for the healing
of the nations.

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Zion Educational Institutions

ZION SCHOOLS, owing to the fact that we have found it impossible to get the College Building ready, will not open until Monday, September 25th.

Registration Day will be Friday, September 22nd.

To date, six hundred and forty-five applications have been received.

The response, on the part of officers and members and friends, for the support of Zion Schools has, to date, been such as to awaken within my heart gratitude, joy, and hope.

The proper education of Zion children, youths and maidens, is indeed a work worthy of the prayerful consideration and support of every officer, member, and friend of Zion throughout the world.

We herewith present the different Forms, to be filled in by all who wish to help in this work:

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To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,

President of Zion Educational Institutions,
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When God said to Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark," did He mean that any time would do—one month, three months, one year, two years, five years?

Emphatically NO!

He meant AT ONCE!

The Ark had been finished, and there were just seven days left until the great flood was to break forth and destroy the world.

When God laid hold of you, by the Holy Spirit, and called you to come out of Babylon into ZION, did He mean that any time would do?

Emphatically NO!

Did He mean for you to come into ZION and leave all your possessions in Babylon?

NO; He meant for you to get into ZION, and to get in, not only yourself, but with all that you possess!

Do You Know God's Way of Healing?

BY THE REV. JOHN ALEX. DOWIE.

God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "*I am* the Way, and the Truth, and the Life," and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "*I am* the Lord that Healeth thee." (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever"; and He is still with us, for He said, "Lo, *I am* with you alway, even unto the end of the world." (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, *sicknesses*), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "destroy the works of the Devil," and when He was here on earth He healed "all manner of disease and all manner of sickness," and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "oppressed of the Devil." (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance," and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith; and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (1 Timothy 6:20,21; 1 Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

Zion Home, a Center of Divine Healing Teaching

Full information can be obtained at the meetings held in ZION HOME and Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, and in many pamphlets; also the LEAVES OF HEALING published weekly at ZION CITY, Illinois.

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A Stirring Message From China

By Apostle Francis M. Royall

JOHN preached repentance, because THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN was at hand.

John said: "Repent ye; for THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand."

There are different sects today called Protestants. The name was well earned by those great, noble, consecrated and sanctified men and women who protested against the wickedness, the sensuality, the ungodly ways of the Roman Catholic Church. They protested against the worldly ways of the church. They protested and the fires of Smithfield were lighted. The bloody massacres of St. Bartholomew were instituted.

These various denominations are no longer deserving the name of Protestants. For instead of protesting, they have been sung to sleep by that same body who claims to be "sic semper idem" which is true for they are lighting the fires of Smithfield wherever they are exposed in America by a few people, a few individuals.

That wicked body whose head claims to be infallible. Who claims apostolic succession. We believe that he is the successor of Judas Iscariot.

God commands and charges that all men everywhere repent. But what repentance means is not explained nor preached to the masses today. And they are as ignorant of what it means as they are of the meaning of Egyptian Hieroglyphics.

Some people think that repentance means to take a glass of brandy. Some think that it means to go to every theater that strikes town. Some think that it means to spend their time loafing around saloons. Some think it means to join a social club. Some think it means "Society." Others think that it means to chew gum like an old cow chewing her cud. And some very dainty women think that repentance means to fondle dogs, pug dogs, little dogs, big dogs, dirty stinking dogs, filthy dogs. To lead them around and take them to ride and kiss them and sleep with them.

Women who do so, need to be looked after by the State. When a woman gets so far away from human kind as to spend her time looking after her dogs, it is high time for some one to take her in charge.

Some people think that Repentance means, simply to have your name on the church book, and go to church, occasionally, and perhaps pay something for the church expenses.

A man who has been reading LEAVES OF HEALING and has been a member of one of these organizations for years never knew anything about repentance till he began reading the LEAVES OF HEALING and attending a ZION meeting. He never was taught that he must confess to those he had wronged. He was never told that he must restore to those from whom he had stolen. When this teaching came to him it made him miserable.

But when he began writing letters and confessing his sins, confessing the lies he had told, and the deception he had practiced the scene began to change. When he restored the money he had unjustly taken from people he was so happy he could scarcely contain himself. He was willing to do just as the short man Zaccheus, restore fourfold where he had treated men wrongfully.

Confession to those whom you have wronged is not easy. Restoring what you have wrongfully taken from some one else is difficult. But when Zaccheus was truly converted then he was willing to restore even fourfold.

Repentance! Repentance! Confession! Confession! Restitution! Restitution! brings peace of mind and joy of spirit and happiness to one's heart. God cannot forgive unless there has been a genuine repentance and wrongs made right with God and man.

So many people just hold up a hand or sign a card and then are received into an organization after being sprinkled or poured or dipped once. I will not call it baptism. For baptism means to be buried under the water three times, once in the name of the Father, once in the name of the Son, and once in the name of the Holy Spirit. There are no modes of baptism. It is either

baptism or it is not baptism. There are some man-made forms, but it is not baptism. There are a lot of forms of repentance, but it is not repentance. Holding up the hand is a form, but it is not repentance. Repentance is Repentance and Baptism is Baptism.

Some people make sprinkling and pouring and one dipping a door of the church. God never said so. Jesus never said that such forms were a door of the church. The Holy Spirit never said so. But some men, some sects, say so. From the looks of the card-playing, theater-going lot that composes their organizations it is evident that it is all man-made and some good people have been deceived.

"Mrs. Li is dying," the messenger said, "but we would be glad if you will come and pray for her." I asked no questions, for I had heard that she was in a semi-conscious state and saying now and then, "I have sinned, I have sinned, God forgive me and I will live right. Pray! Pray! Pray!"

It was Saturday night after a hard week's work. But I went down the narrow alley into the Chinese home. I was met by several men staring me in the face. A large portly woman met me and said, "She is dying, I let her have a room in my house, she must go to the hospital, she must go at once." I replied, "If she goes to the hospital, you will have to send her, I have nothing to do with that." I went in to the small room led by two others and she whispered, "I have sinned. Pray! Pray! Pray!" It was either God must heal or death would soon come. I lifted my voice in prayer, and went away.

Some food was sent her. The woman was willing for her to remain there as long as she gave her a dollar or two per month for the place. But now it seemed she was going to die. And she was afraid she would have to spend some money for a coffin. They were about to order the coffin. The woman had saved up a few dollars and the coffin was discussed.

The next morning a message came that she fell asleep after prayer and slept all night, and now was asking for food. In a few days she was removed to a friend's house. A few weeks ago she was at the regular service Lord's Day morning and testified to her being raised up from death's door.

She arose in the assembly and told of how she had sinned; confession was made and she promised God to obey Him; now she is rejoicing in health and praising God for all the blessings.

Mrs. Tong was unable to walk. Deacon Wu was sent for and he told them how to repent and taught them of God's way. Then prayer was offered for her. Two weeks ago she attended the Lord's Day meeting in the morning and testified to her wonderful blessing. We praise God for it all. She said her feet were like stone and now she is well and able to walk again for which she praises God.

Last Wednesday evening after the service a gentleman came up and said, "My child is very sick, almost to death, if I bring it will you pray?" I said, "Yes." Soon he and his wife stood before us with their child burning with fever and unable to eat. We all bowed our heads and prayed, and left them with God.

The following morning a guest was announced and I went down to see the person and it was Mr. Chow whose child we had prayed for the night before. He said, "I have come to thank you for praying for my child. My wife says she must be a Christian now. I have been a Christian for some time. The little child was wonderfully healed. I am writing to my father and to my brother about the wonderful healing and blessing which God has given to us. My wife will attend this church and will be a Christian."

What is the supreme object of your life? Is it simply to live and to eat and drink and to die? Is that all? That is not God's way. "My Father worketh until now and I work." No place in THE KINGDOM for hypocrites. There is a place for hypocrites! There is a place for liars! There is a place for card-players! There is a place for dime novels and all that worketh and maketh a lie! That place is in hell.

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The Development of Zion City and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries

Report of Early Morning Meeting Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, U.S.A., Friday, July 7, 1916. Address by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

(Reported by E. I. Carey)

INVOCATION BY THE GENERAL OVERSEER:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and, in the Name of Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, be sanctified unto the good of all present, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

I will now present to you a very important and a very solemn question, which I require each one to answer in the fear of God, and as you will have to answer to God in the day of judgment.

I have many things in my mind and heart to say.

If you have read the program, which has appeared in LEAVES OF HEALING for several weeks now, you will notice that the subject for the meeting this morning, and also for the meeting tonight—this being Friday, July 7th—is: "The Development of Zion City and the Promotion of Zion Institutions and Industries."

In this meeting, and in the meeting tonight, and in other meetings during the Feast, I want to see how many people there are who believe in and want a ZION CITY, and how many there are who would just as soon see it blotted off the earth.

Every time I talk for three and four hours, I make a resolution that I will never do it again; and then, the next chance I get, I do the same thing over.

Last Lord's Day completed nine months' work in the city of Chicago, and one Lord's Day additional. During all this time, I have spoken in Chicago every Lord's Day except two. One Lord's Day I was away, and on Easter Lord's Day I conducted the meeting here.

When I went on the platform last Lord's Day, I made up my mind to talk for thirty minutes, and I did—and two hours more. I put into the address as much life—perhaps more—than I have ever put into any other address.

When I arise here this morning, the Holy Spirit puts within me enough to keep me going from now until ten o'clock tonight.

You may not realize it, but I never know, when I come on the platform, what I am going to say. I have no idea.

God's Messengers Must be Inspired of the Holy Spirit to Preach

In order to preach, there is just one thing that I have to do, and that is, to be absolutely in the hands of God, with all hindrances removed, so that He may use me as His mouthpiece to the children of men.

It is really a wonderful thing when God talks.

It is wonderful when an address is inspired by God, through the Holy Spirit.

There are a great many addresses that proceed from no greater depth than the mere intellect; and there are a great many so-called prayers that are only intellectual gymnastics. They do not amount to anything.

It does not matter whether it is you, or whether it is I—that makes no difference. Whenever Wilbur Glenn Voliva goes on the platform and it is he who preaches, it does not amount to the snap of your finger.

The addresses that you read in LEAVES OF HEALING, which have been delivered in Chicago on Tuesday afternoons and Lord's Day afternoons, are not my products.

When a man can arise and talk for three hours, and hundreds of strangers who are there for the first time will sit until quarter to seven o'clock and then have to be told what time it is—and when you tell them, you can see them all jump—there is something more there than mere human ability.

One of the greatest crimes that has been, and is being, committed, is the crime of so-called preachers who go on the plat-

form with a manuscript and everything written out, which absolutely shuts out the Holy Spirit.

I do not know, and cannot possibly know, who will sit before me in any meeting. God knows—and oftentimes in an address the Holy Spirit will use what I learned thirty years ago.

I could not repeat an address if my life depended upon it—although I have but one sermon, as I often say; and I have been preaching that one sermon all these years. Apostle Peckham, one of the assistant editors of LEAVES OF HEALING, will tell you that he never sees two sentences alike.

The trouble with most people is, they will not allow God to do anything with them.

So far as the subject for this morning's meeting is concerned, your activities will be in exact proportion to the keenness of your vision of ZION.

If you have plainly seen ZION in prophecy emblazoned and standing prominently forth upon the pages of Holy Writ; and if you have the vision showing you that this is the ZION of prophecy; that this is THE MOVEMENT, you will conduct yourselves in a very different manner from what you will if you do not know anything about ZION in prophecy, and if you look upon this movement just as you look upon the Y. M. C. A., or the Y. W. C. A., or any other one of the numerous organizations that are in this world.

Zion, A Constituent Part of the Eternal Counsels of God

If you see and realize that this is the ZION which was discussed in the eternal counsels of the Godhead, and before this earth was ever created; that ZION formed an important and constituent part of the eternal plan of God, and was the object of some of the most wonderful of all His purposes, then you will be UP AND DOING, and there will not be any half-hearted business about it.

There are some things we know. We know that we have reached the year 1916 of the Christian Era. That may not mean anything to you, but it certainly means a great deal to me.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."—Genesis 1:1.

I want you to realize—because it has already come into my mind since this Feast started, and it will come into my mind more and more prominently as the days and weeks and months and years come and go—that *with God there is no such thing as time*.

Do you realize that?

Time has to do with you and with me.

There is no such thing as time with God. One day is with Him as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

This horizontal line which I have drawn on the blackboard represents Eternity. It has neither beginning nor ending.

God in Three Persons has always existed. There never was a time when God in Three Persons did not exist. These Three Persons constitute the Godhead.

Man Created in the Image of the Triune God

In Genesis 1:26, where you will find the words, "Let Us make man in Our Own Image," one Person in the God-head was talking to the Others as They were in counsel, using human language.

Now, then, the Bible begins with: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." There is where time began—less than six thousand years ago.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth"

refers to this point in the line of Eternity where time began and man was created. And from that point, which was the beginning of the Antediluvian Age—"Antediluvian" being a word which does not occur in the Bible, its meaning simply being, before the flood.

The Bible speaks of it, as I told you Wednesday night, as "the world that was," the Greek word signifying "the inhabitable world,"—referring to the people.

In His last great prophecy, Christ speaks of a servant who shall give meat in due season to the people.

All of this I am saying to find out whether you realize anything of the time in which you are living. If you do, in the Name of God stir yourselves, awaken, arouse, and get down to business—for you have not one moment to lose!

Shall it be necessary for the fires that are stored up in this earth to burst forth in awful judgments, before some of you awaken and find that it is too late? The Savior plainly tells us that that will be the case. He says of the Antediluvians:

They were eating—

And there never was a time since creation's dawn when the multitudes were eating more than they eat today, or thought more of eating than they do today.

—Eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark.—Matthew 24:38.

Noah went into the ark seven days before the flood—and they "knew not."

Why, did not Noah preach for one hundred and twenty years?

Do you know what it is to preach? If any one of you had preached as I have in the last ten years, you would be out in the cemetery.

You have no conception of what it means to preach hundreds of times, hour after hour.

What is it for?

It is to awaken and to arouse!

Some people say, "Why do you put so much strength into it?"

Because I am a LIVE MAN, and not a dead man!

I have never seen any one yet who cared to sit and listen to a dead man.

The only way I know of preaching is to put my life into it!

It means LIFE; it means the very heart's blood!

Thank God, there are a few who will listen, although the multitudes will not.

The World in Worse Condition Today than in Noah's Time

Preaching today is just as hard as it was in the time of Noah; in fact, I believe that if God were to give me my choice, I would take Noah's place, for I believe that the world is worse today than it has ever been since God said, "Let Us make man in Our Image."

This is called the Wonderful Age; this is called the greatest of all the centuries.

Many of you sitting here have lived through the years when all the marvelous inventions that are now revolutionizing the world—and, for the most part, are a curse to the world—have been brought forth. Why, in the lifetime of Mother King, practically every great invention that is now in the world has been brought forth—most of them, however, in the last fifty years.

This is a wonderful time—but the corruption and iniquity and vileness is indescribable.

I wonder what God, with His all-seeing eyes, sees in Chicago on a Saturday night?

I wonder what He sees in New York, where they spend a million dollars a night on theaters, dancing, assignation houses, tobacco, intoxicating liquors, vile dens, in which are to be found hundreds of thousands of men and women whose minds are filthy and corrupt—so much so that the vilest cancer would be a beautiful object compared with them?

Now, then, God repented that He ever had made man, and He had to destroy him; but He had His servant. They did not pay much attention to him, did they?

Think of a man preaching for one hundred and twenty years and never having a convert!

Think of a man waiting for one hundred and twenty years for his prayer to be answered!

John the Baptist Sounded the Death-Knell of the Jewish Age

Passing over what they call the Patriarchal Age, I wish to call your attention to the Jewish Age, which properly began with the death of Jacob, and lasted for 1846 years. It ended in the year 70 A. D.

When John the Baptist said, "Repent ye, for THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand," he sounded the death-knell of the Jewish Age, and announced the birth of the Gospel Age.

These ages overlap, and there is a period at the close of each age which is a very important period. I will tell you when that closing period begins, it is enough to make a man shudder; it is enough to make his blood tingle in every vein.

The end of the Antediluvian Age extended over a period of one hundred and twenty years. Noah came forth and announced to the Antediluvian world, whose every thought was vile—and there are millions of people in the United States today who have not had a pure thought in the last ten years. Before you converse with them for two minutes, they show what is in their vile, filthy minds and hearts.

Noah told them that after one hundred and twenty years there would be a flood, and that they would be destroyed, and that God had commanded him to prepare an ark.

They laughed at him—and that is just what they will do today; you need not expect anything else from the masses.

Noah preached for one hundred and twenty years!

Just stop for a moment, this morning, and think it over.

Did not the Lord Jesus the Christ settle for you the question of the Flood?

Did not the Apostle Peter, in that Third Chapter of his First Epistle, settle the matter for you?

Is it not enough that the Son of God and the Apostle Peter make the statement that there was a flood?

The Closing of the Gospel Age to be Like Unto that Before the Flood

Jesus Christ tells us that in the last days of the Gospel Age things will be just as they were before the flood.

The closing period of the Jewish Age lasted for seventy years.

They rejected Jesus, did they not? and they crucified Him—they put Him to death. One of the most terrible things that the devil ever persuaded people to utter was when they said, "His blood be upon us and upon our children."

When the United States minister to Turkey spoke in Chicago the other night, and appealed to that audience for a half a million dollars, he said: "One-half of all the Jews in the world today are at the point of starvation, and they will die by the millions if this country does not get food to them."

They have been persecuted and hunted from place to place, and imprisoned, and their property confiscated; they have endured all the tortures of the damned, because they put the Son of God to death and said, "Let His blood be upon us and upon our children."

That has been fulfilled, and is being fulfilled today.

Now, John the Baptist was a remarkable character, just as Noah was a remarkable character.

As God looked down at the people in the Antediluvian world, He found just *one righteous man*.

Now, then, if you think He can find very many today, just get that crazy notion out of your head!

You look at a certain city today, and you will find seven Methodist Churches, five Baptist Churches, four Presbyterian Churches, and there is a synagogue; and you will find the Congregationalists, Spiritualists, Christian Scientists, Theosophists, believers in New Thought, and so forth. If you have any idea that God has anything to do with any of them, just wake up and disabuse your mind of that thought.

God has no more to do with them than He has to do with hell!

God Almighty's Word portrays that right now Babylon is fallen, and become the cage of every unclean bird—and there is not a devil out of hell that you could not find in these organizations.

God Almighty has Spewed the Church Organizations out of His Mouth

There are still some of the saints in them; and Jesus is going to each one of them and knocking at the door and saying

to them, as individuals: "Open the door and I will come in." But he has nothing to do with the organizations.

The Jewish church had become so corrupt that it had to be destroyed.

John the Baptist was a wonderful man; he was a great preacher—and he did not mince matters, either.

I will tell you, my brothers and sisters, one of the characteristics of a man who is really called of God in the times of degeneracy and apostasy, is that no one will be permitted to tell that man what he is to say, nor how he is to say it. He has to be big and strong enough to hew his way and overcome all obstacles, no matter what they are.

You know nothing about what it means to stand on a platform and preach. Why, I have seen a million devils in a building when I have been preaching (I did not stop to count them, but there were at least a million).

Don't you know that a man is flesh and blood? It is only the man who is oblivious to all surroundings, and who cannot be swerved by anybody, who can preach the Gospel with any effect.

Most men come on the platform, and when they look down and see John Brown sitting there, it scares them to death.

Sometimes when I come on the platform, I look all around, and I catch sight of a certain person; then all at once a great sermon comes into my mind, and I go ahead and preach it.

Think of what it meant for Noah to spend one hundred and twenty years without a single supporter! I'll guarantee he had a lively time among those wretched old whoremongers and harlots—for that is all they were! They simply gave themselves over to lasciviousness, until they could not think a pure thought. They were devil possessed!

John the Baptist did not care the snap of his finger what they thought, nor what they said; and unless a man is so constituted, he cannot preach—that is all there is to it.

In the year 70 A. D. the Jewish Age ended, and what happened to Jerusalem?

The Saints Called of God to Forsake Babylon

You people this morning who say, "Oh, I can live in Kansas"—or California, or Cincinnati, or San Francisco, or Minneapolis, or Texas—"and I can do so and so," I want to tell you that the time is coming when you will not be able to live there. That is one of the things which I want you to see, this morning.

Perhaps you do not believe it; perhaps you do not take any stock in it; perhaps you do not think the time will ever come when you cannot live in these places. I ask you, did the time ever come when Lot could not live in Sodom and Gomorrah?

Yes, it did; and the Savior says of these last days that it will be as it was in the time of Lot.

Jerusalem, the Holy City—in the year 70 A. D., what happened to it?

It was DESTROYED!

They laugh when you speak about the impending destruction of Chicago?

Why, that is a great joke (?)!

As I have stood on the platform in Chicago and have taken up these wonderful prophecies, you ought to see the smiles that play on the faces of some of the people. Some of them look pretty serious, but others take it as a huge joke.

They forget Babylon, which was a far greater city than Chicago—and today the site of Babylon, as the prophet foretold, is a den of snakes and bats and wild animals.

The words of Jesus: "There shall not be left here one stone upon another,"—were they literally fulfilled? Yes! The temple was destroyed, and they even plowed the ground where it stood. In the year 70 A. D., the very streets of Jerusalem were dyed in blood. Fathers and mothers gnawed the flesh of their own children, in order to prevent starvation.

There was a little place called Pella, to which the Christians had been warned to flee; and those who fled to Pella were saved.

An Age Never Closes Without a Prophet, Without a Warning, Without an Ark of Safety

I want you to get, this morning, this overlapping of ages—that is what I want you to get.

The closing period of the Antediluvian Age was one hundred and twenty years; and the closing period of the Jewish Age was seventy years.

You know that, do you not?

Now, then, next comes the Gospel Age, and then the Millennium.

There is no question in my mind about the ministry of John Alexander Dowie, and about ZION being the beginning of the Millennium. I am not surprised that a magazine writer, in an article of pages, said: "Better not laugh! If Dowie can carry out his project to a finality, you will have the Millennium introduced."

I am not surprised that another writer said: "If the whole earth were one big ZION CITY, you would have the Millennium; and the devil would have no place."

The close of the Gospel Age and the actual beginning of the Millennium overlap. I believe that the closing period of the Gospel Age is about seventy-five years. I am not able to tell you the precise year when this period began, but in my own mind I am satisfied that these seventy-five years will close—I will not say when, for I do not know; I will not dogmatize—but this I do know: we are within this period right this morning; and I will tell you, that is enough to make a man sit up and take notice.

Think of it!

We are already in the year 1916—or, taking the corrected chronology, we are in the year 1920. This Gospel Age already has lasted seventy-four years longer than the Jewish Age.

Here is another thing: while we have not, for certain, the correct dates, we know that it is less than six thousand years since this earth was created. It is less than six thousand years since the point described by "in the beginning."

The Importance of The Times of Restoration of all Things

The first six thousand years no doubt are approaching completion. As I have said, it is not an easy thing to give you just the exact figures. The seventh thousand will be the Millennium, and all the signs make it plain that we soon will start in this period.

Listen to the Word of God!

Whom the heavens must retain—

Jesus went back to Heaven, did He not?

(People: "Yes.")

How long is He to stay there?

"Until the 'times of the restoration of all things.'"

The average person knows about as much about "the times of the restoration of all things" as he knows about something of which he never heard before; and a still sadder thing is that very few have any interest in it at all. They are interested in everything else under the sun!

Let me tell you, it is a very solemn fact that the Times of Restoration have begun in ZION, and that it is within this period that the Lord will return from Heaven.

I say, NO!

The ministry of John Alexander Dowie was a REAL THING! You do not need to be told that. The newspapers do not need to be told it; the preachers do not need to be told it—nobody needs to be told it.

His was a ministry—unique, unusual, extraordinary. His was a ministry that stirred the whole world. He stood in the midst of Methodist bishops, Episcopal prelates, Roman Catholic dignitaries, university professors—in the midst of thousands and tens of thousands of the learned; he stirred the world.

He was nothing, except as he was God's prophet and God's mouthpiece!

The message which he delivered was not his: it was God's MESSAGE!

Why was it that men and women, and even casual observers, admitted, as did a Presbyterian minister when I met him in the lobby of the Twelfth Street Home, that this world has not seen anything like him since the days of John the Baptist?

His ministry was unique, it was singular, it was peculiar—just the same as was Noah's and John the Baptist's.

He introduced the new age!

Zion's Form of Government a Theocracy

Now, then, ZION—those of you who still have a little trouble about ZION's government—you know, that has been the great battle.

Some people say to me today: "Now, if you will just introduce Democracy—"

Well, ZION is a THEOCRACY!

Now, learn this: Back in Moses' time was the Theocracy, and the Theocracy under Moses involved these facts: God was the Supreme Ruler; God was the Supreme Lawgiver; God selected His representative, or executive, or vicegerent.

Some people are very scared of that word "vicegerent." Well, it does not scare me a particle—not an iota. But we will say, God's executive, God's representative; and that representative, or executive, was the ruler, under God.

That was true of Moses; it was true of Joshua.

I had a letter, the other day, from a woman, and she said: "I do not believe in the old Jewish Theocracy, and I do not believe we ought to have it in ZION"—and neither do I.

What is to be the form of government during the Millennium—a Democracy, or a Theocracy?

It is to be a THEOCRACY!

It will be the personal reign of Jesus the Christ. Therefore, the work of John Alexander Dowie had to look forward to this point for its form of government.

We do not go back to the Old Testament Theocracy; neither do we go back to the first century: we go to the Millennium.

Why, it is as plain as anything can be that if a man comes to introduce a new era of things, he will not go back yonder four thousand years to get the form of government.

The form of government of the Millennium, the Bible makes it absolutely plain, is to be the personal reign of Christ. Therefore, the preparer, or the herald, of this coming age must establish the form of government by *anticipation*.

John Alexander Dowie Anticipates the Millennial Theocracy

There is where some of you are wrong about the ministry of John Alexander Dowie, which I am going to make plain during one of our meetings here.

John Alexander Dowie's ministry was a great deal bigger and a great deal broader, and far wider in scope and effect, than merely ordaining twelve apostles in the church; and we do not go back to the early Church to find John Alexander Dowie; neither do we go into any of the official ranks of the Church to find him. It is the height of absurdity!

John Alexander Dowie was a special messenger of God, standing *outside of, over and above*; and sent to put in order and to introduce a new order—a new age. Therefore, he had to declare the Theocracy—but it was not the old Jewish Theocracy. That has gone, and gone forever.

This Feast of Tabernacles is not the old Jewish Feast; it is not a resurrection of the old Feast of Tabernacles of the Jews. That is not the teaching of Zechariah; but, in prophesying certain things for the future, the prophecy was made under the semblance of the old—the same as you will find it, oftentimes, in Revelation.

The Feast of Tabernacles that we have here today is a *spiritual* Feast of Tabernacles, rather than one of ceremony. It is the old name given to a new thing.

Do not forget that!

Now, then, here we are. John Alexander Dowie, the servant of God—when God's clock struck the hour—unfurled the banner of ZION, and it made quite a stir.

People were saved, people were healed; and from the beginning Dr. Dowie told them:

Lift your heads, ye sons of light,
Zion City is in sight.

Why, of course!

God had given him the vision; and God did not give him the vision of ZION without the vision of ZION CITY!

ZION CITY is the inevitable outgrowth of ZION preaching, just as truly and as inevitably as the apples that appear on an apple tree are the outgrowth of the seed that was put into the ground; and if ZION CITY, as it exists today, were blotted off the earth, there would have to be another one.

The question this morning is: How many people are there in this old world—which is rotten and stinking, as corrupt as hell itself—who want a ZION CITY?

Fifty thousand people attended the races in Chicago a week ago Sunday, and they paid from one to five dollars a ticket.

Multitudes of Church People Flirting with the World

Theaters are crowded to the streets; the moving picture shows—why, while one crowd is inside, another crowd is standing there waiting for a chance to get in.

You go into the miserable old churches, and you could throw a rock in any direction without running any risk of hitting anybody.

They do not want the Gospel!

They do not care anything about it!

"Give me a Havana!"

"Give me a bottle of whisky!"

"What is going on at the theater?"

That is all they care about!

They want the Sunday newspapers, which are the devil's Bible, preaching the gospel of hell.

Now, then, we have had some wonderful experiences here.

I would not take all the money in the United States for the experiences I have had.

There are people who like a ZION CITY—but they want somebody else to build it. I have letters from people who say they are glad to hear that I am getting along so nicely, and that when I get everything straightened out, they may consider coming back here to live.

That is a nice piece of business!

A Deacon hit the nail on the head in his talk, when he said: "ZION is a boiling cauldron."

The Necessity for Fiery Trials in Zion

Apostle Carey, last night, put it another way. He said that ZION is a furnace, where you are thrown into the fire and tried. I tell you, that is true!

That is what God has to do with you, sometimes: He has to bump you, and stand you on your head, and knock you down, and kick you for falling—and then He has to rub you with sandpaper and shape you with a chisel. Then sometimes He says, "Fling him back into the quarry; you can't make anything out of him!"

Some people will not praise God for those things. Well, I thank God for every test and for every trial.

When the Lord sees us sitting around whining and pining and fussing, with our knees hitting each other and our false teeth falling out and our bones cracking, why, He says: "Look at those people! They are the ones who stood up there in Shiloh Tabernacle and said that they would die for ZION, and that they would stand by ZION with their last dollar and their last drop of blood! I let a little wind whistle around the northeast corner, and now look at them! They are ready to collapse!"

You never know what there is in a person until he is put through the test.

We have been through a few things here—and we will go through a few things more, too! Why, that is all right. Heaven comes in the end.

God's People Must Have Courage to Witness Against Evil

Why, a great many people are nothing but cowards. They go to visit Uncle John, and they sit down at the table, and Jerusha passes a plate of ham around. In order not to offend Uncle John, they take a piece of "cancer" and eat it—instead of sitting there like a stalwart soldier and a Christian and saying, "Uncle John, that is not a fit thing for human beings to eat. God's Word witnesses against it." No, they are afraid Uncle John will say, "Get out of here!"

Well, suppose he gives them the toe of his boot—it will be a good thing for them!

All right, if you deny the Lord, He will deny you in the last day.

I do not see a very big crowd in ZION!

As I was praying yesterday morning, I thought to myself: "If I wanted to be a very rich man; if I wanted a great multitude of people around me, I could do it by speaking in the Chicago Coliseum and telling the people that I would build a theater in ZION CITY; that I had concluded to be liberal and put up a theater, with free seats and all the rest of it; that I would bring in a great moving picture establishment and build a race-track, and furnish free race-horses." Then, I will tell you, they would come flocking here by the tens of thousands; and they would say, "He

is the finest fellow we ever met!" But I said: "Lord, I must hew to the line, and come out with a company of saints."

Some of you here may say, "Well, I don't know!"

I tell you, it is either that or it is the world; it is either ZION, or Babylon—you can take your choice!

It is either Heaven or Hell—and we cannot mince matters, either.

If I did not mean business, I would not stay in ZION CITY over night; and if I did not believe in ZION, I would not touch it with a fifty-foot pole.

It is a very serious matter!

Yonder is the goal, and if you are determined to reach it, then you will make no complaints, no matter what comes; and you will stand the test.

God will try you out!

The Bible tells you that, you know. There is nothing new about it.

Now, the General Manager and I want to find out how many there are who believe in a ZION CITY, and how many want a ZION CITY. If I could just get that number together in a meeting, I would say a few things—and don't you forget it. I know just what to say.

A Complete Surrender Required of Everyone in Zion

A man or a woman who does not come into this thing with a whole heart had better stay away from it.

We have some Ananiases and Sapphiras in the camp. I have been trying to draw a picture of old Ananias and Sapphira for several weeks. I think Ananias had a pretty heavy head of hair, which he never combed, except with his fingers—a great, bushy head of hair, which looked as if the rats had been in it. I think he wore one of these old-fashioned collars, which turn yellow, and that he had a swallow-tailed coat—one of the old-fashioned kind. He was, I think, a sort of old, fossilized aristocrat.

He was one of those fellows who spend a lot of time on the street-corner whittling a pine stick, and telling the people how to run the "governmint."

I have a picture in my mind of old Sapphira. I think I saw both of them here yesterday morning. They came in together and they went out together.

The funny thing about them was, they were just like some people we have.

On the Day of Pentecost there were three thousand converted, and they were all selling their properties; and then when the man at the gate of the temple was healed, there were five thousand men converted; and they were all selling their properties and establishing a community there. It must have been a marvelous community!

How many were converted on the day of Pentecost?

Three thousand!

And how many at the healing of the man at the Beautiful gate of the Temple?

Five thousand!

Well, that would be eight thousand, would it not? There were eight thousand men, were there not? Well, then, on general principles, there must have been several times that number of women—because women were better than men then, and women are better than men now. The men, for the most part, are a dirty, rotten, stinking lot! They are such a dirty, low-down lot that it is almost impossible for a decent woman to find a man to marry.

Why, bless your life, men have said to me, when I have been discussing the subject of Marriage, and I have remarked that it was a horrible thing for pure young women to be united in marriage to low-down, lecherous dogs—I have had men say to me: "Well, if they can find any other kind, they will have to hunt for them in ZION: they cannot find them outside"—and there is more truth than fiction in the statement.

Women who have investigated these things say that in towns of several thousand people you cannot find one young man who has not defiled himself—not one.

That is Sodom over again!

These are the antediluvian days over again!

These are the conditions in the world. Except as it can be used in warning the people, I say you and I do not know anything about it.

Ananias and Sapphira Plotted to Deceive the Church

Now, these people all sold their properties, did they not?

And, of course, old Ananias and Sapphira did not want to be looked upon as outside the pale; and so they got together one night, and Ananias said to Sapphira: "Now, you know, we must get into the swim somewhere. Of course, I would not think of selling that farm and laying all the money down at the apostles' feet, as the rest of these fellows are doing; but we will kind of work it out some way, and the apostles won't know the difference." So they entered into a conspiracy.

Now, you just picture those mercenary old wretches lying there in bed—for there is where most of these things are plotted—planning to tell a lie to God Almighty!

Some people say: "I am so glad I am in ZION CITY."

"Well, what about that farm you have outside?"

"Oh, now, I like ZION CITY, and I like to live there—"

Yes, but you miserable wretch, if everybody had acted as you have, there would not be three square feet of land for a ZION CITY!

Some people own a magnificent property and also a little old piece of land which you couldn't sell for goose pasture, even if you furnished pinchers for the geese to get at it with (laughter), and they will list that for sale. They will give the old sheep with two broken legs, his tail cut off, blind in both eyes, and one ear cropped. That is what they bring to the Lord to help build a ZION CITY.

You couldn't sell their old land for a dollar and thirty-nine cents a square mile, and they want forty dollars an acre for it.

Ananias and Sapphira said, "We will sell this farm for thirteen thousand, and we will put in three hundred, and hide the rest."

So they tried to pull this stunt off, you know—just as some people do here. Why, if Deacon Clendinen and I wanted to write a book, we could retire as millionaires. We have had some interesting experiences—just as interesting as Peter had with old Ananias and Sapphira.

Ananias and Sapphira Forfeited Their Lives Because of Their Hypocrisy

Ananias, you know, wore a silk hat—I have no doubt about that, and carried a cane. Can't you see him walking in there in front of Peter, his face looking as if it would turn sweet milk sour? He is going to fool God.

Some people think they can fool God. Well, they are not fooling anybody. Perhaps they are fooling themselves, but they cannot fool God.

Ananias walks in. He is going to get inside, you know, with these people. He is not going to be left outside the pale—just like some people who come into ZION, and never pay a cent of tithes. They come and sit on a seat that was put there by some one else—the stingy devils! Why, a man who would dig up his grandmother and take the pennies from her eyes is an angel compared to a man who will do a thing of that kind!

Why, bless your life! if we had fourteen million of that kind, we never would be able to get one shingle for a tabernacle; we would not be able to have one electric light; we would have no seats, and no floor; we would have no coal in the winter; we would have nothing—but still they say, "I belong to ZION!"

Well, you are a disgrace to her if you do!

Bernard Shaw says in his latest book, a review of which can be found in the last copy of "The Literary Digest": "There are many devotees of the Christian religion who are a standing disgrace to it." And he is right. He spoke the truth.

Ananias forfeited his life, did he not? And I know of many people who have forfeited their lives in the last ten years; and I know of others who are following the same road. I will tell you why.

I looked right at some people last Sunday who were in ZION CITY five and one-half years ago, telling what they were going to do to help build ZION CITY. They have not done one thing to this day. How much longer do you think God is going to wait?

If everybody had done as they have done, we would not have any ZION CITY to come to this morning, or any Shiloh Tabernacle. It is because others *have not done that*, that we are where we are today.

If you do not mean business, you will not get anywhere.

Zion's Leader not to Sacrifice Principle for Success

Do you know what the most dangerous thing is to a leader

in Israel? It is the temptation to sacrifice principle in order to go a little faster; to let down the standard to a certain extent or to let the bars down a little.

Let the man stand up who can take the LEAVES OF HEALING, or any address that I have ever delivered, and show where I have ever varied an iota or a hair's breadth—and I will not vary, if ZION CITY should perish from the face of the earth this morning.

The thing that has wrecked many servants of God has been the desire to make a big show and to have a great multitude of people.

Yes, ZION had a great multitude, and God had to puke them out. I will tell you, I have looked at some of them—horned toads, snapping turtles, and all the rest of it.

We are going forward!

I do not wonder that people who come here and look around say, "Why, ZION is better than she ever was!" So she is—and on a better foundation. Why shouldn't she be?

It might interest you to know what the Lord has done for us up to this time—then talk of ZION not being of God!

You know the history of ZION from the time John Alexander Dowie preached his first sermon in the city of Chicago.

I was reading the other day the story of those first years, of which he says: "The night was long and dark. Sometimes I had only seven, and sometimes less in my meetings. My friends importuned me to pack up and leave Chicago, but I said: 'No; God put me here, and I am going to stay on the job.'"

Are you not glad that he stayed on the job?

VOICES: "Yes."

I was here in 1900, when the gates of this city were opened. I went to Australia in October, 1901. In July, 1901, I attended the Feast, which was held in a big tent. I remember it for a great many reasons.

Zion's Net Gathered in Many Various Kinds of People

When the gates were thrown open, the people flocked in here. The net was thrown out, and Dr. Dowie gathered all kinds. He gathered in Elder Huston here, and, thank God, he proved to be the genuine article—that is, so far. We cannot be sure of him until we get him into Heaven. After I have gotten him through the gate, then I shall be satisfied.

You know, the teaching of the Word is that we are *being saved*. God is not sure of any of us.

I often think, "Lord, how far can you trust me now? I have gone through a good deal, and I have had a great many experiences, but how far can you trust me? How far can you trust Clendinen? How far can you trust this one and that one?"

Well, things went along. Then came great tests.

Now, some people came out here, and they thought they would sit down in a rocking-chair, and that they would be on holy ground, and that they would never have any conflicts. That is just where the mistake was made. *Here* is where you *will* have the conflicts.

You do not find the British army somewhere in Wales this morning, do you? No; you will find them right down there in Flanders, just a short distance from the Germans! They would be a fine lot if they all picked up and went over to some place in Wales. They are over where the Germans are.

I want to tell you: the place where the devil and all the imps of hell are going to gather, is where the saints are.

While these battles are raging on all the fronts, I will tell you where the great battle of the whole world is being waged—right here in ZION CITY.

The devil is concentrating all of his crack regiments here in ZION CITY; and you will find some of them entrenched in this place, that place, and the other place.

That is all right! God wants to see what there is in us. You know, He left certain things in Palestine to prove the children of Israel. If it is not one thing, it is another.

That is all right, let them come!

Did I not tell you that if there was one dirty devil left who had not paid a visit here, he would come along later? And I meant what I said.

The Devil Going About like a Devouring Lion

Did I not say that I wanted the devil to take all his own property? Why, sure! If there is one here this morning who

belongs to the devil, and the devil comes into that door, I will say: "Good morning, Mr. Devil, what do you want?"

"Well, there is a man here who belongs to me. I want him."

"Why, take him! He is your property; I do not want him."

Some people say, "Oh, what a pity that all these troubles should have come."

I say: "Glory to God! What a magnificent thing it was!"

"Oh, what a terrible thing!"

It was the best thing that ever happened!

You gathered here in the Tabernacle, and you shouted, "Amen!" When Dr. Dowie was fighting the devil—the newspapers, the preachers, and the press, and so on—and he asked the question, "Will you back me up?" you answered "YES!"

The devil was sitting out there on a stump, and he heard you; and he said, "What under the sun is going on in there?" He moved up a little closer, and then he heard Dr. Dowie say again: "Will you back me up with your last dollar and your last drop of blood?" and he heard the answer, "Y-E-S!"

Then the devil said: "All right, now, just give me a chance to pull off something;" and God said, "All right. They are in your hands. You have heard them, and now I will see what there is in them."

You *saw*, did you not? They went to their own places!

Voliva is going to stand like a rock for ZION; and if you will back me up, the day will come when we will march behind ZION Band, and hoist the ZION Banner over the Lace Factory!

God is just waiting until the people are what they ought to be, and then He will say to Marshall Field and Company, "Now GET!"

"Oh, how will we ever do it! Why, they are a corporation with one hundred and forty million dollars capital. They have so much money that they do not know what to do with it!"

That makes no difference! What is one hundred and forty million dollars to God? Why, He owns *billions*! He could buy Marshall Field and Company out with His pocket change and never miss the change.

Unwavering Faith in God Brings Complete Victory

What I want, during this Feast, is to get a people with unwavering faith in God; and then I will say: "O God, give us the Lace Factory!" and at last He will say: "Those people are keeping at it all the time. I will give it to them to get rid of them."

That is what the Bible teaches, does it not?

Now, let us thank God for all that has happened!

There are a few things that we do not understand. There are a few things, I am willing to confess, that I do not understand. Of course, I meet some people who know everything. Perhaps there are some here this morning!

Some little upstarts, whose brains you could put into a woman's thimble and still have two-thirds of the space to spare, try to tell us how *they* would have built ZION CITY.

It is ludicrous!

John Alexander Dowie DID SOMETHING!

I was thinking over what God did through John Alexander Dowie yesterday; and I was thinking about Paul. Paul was a wonderful man. I tell you, Paul was one of the most brilliant intellects in the galaxy of the grandest men who ever graced this earth. He was one of the greatest men this world has ever seen; but, in some respects, John Alexander Dowie was greater.

Think of a little pimple-head saying, "Oh, if I had built ZION CITY, I would have done so and so." Yes, you would have bought a piece of ground an inch and a half square for one cent, and bankrupted it in five minutes.

As I grow older in years and in experience, I am beginning to see things with the eye with which John Alexander Dowie saw them, and my vision has changed. I do not understand everything, but I understand some things.

God permitted it all to happen. To sit down and tell exactly why and for whom, and so on, is impossible; but He permitted it to happen.

I thank God that He withdrew His hand, and that the fires burned and the waters gathered, for out of it we are getting a remnant of pure gold.

I am working hard, by preaching, to keep it right, because if I do not, then God will have to say, "Well, we shall have to clean that thing up again."

When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory.—Psalm 102:16.

Not when John Alexander Dowie builds up ZION, or when somebody else builds up ZION—but when THE LORD builds up ZION!

As He looks down upon us this morning, He knows all about each one. If there is a man sitting here looking as sweet as an angel, He knows all about his life.

God knows every man's heart. He knows what he needs; He knows what he has to go through.

He is training us; and think what will be the reward at last, if we stand the test!

Zion is a Boiling Cauldron and a Great Big Sieve

Why, you take the rotten old churches—God does not pay any attention to them. The devil already owns them. God takes no notice of them; but I tell you, He pays some attention to ZION, and so does the devil—and I am glad he does. He is a real enemy.

Why, there have been times when I will guarantee there have been hundreds of millions of devils hovering over this city. I remember in the persecution in Chicago, in 1900, I think it was, they said: "The last of Dowie! The last of ZION!"—and all the newspapers were howling. I remember that I came out of the Twelfth Street Home and met a couple of ladies. They asked me about the meeting, and they said, "Well, this will be the wind-up of Dowie and ZION."

"Yes," I said, "it will be the wind-up of the other fellow!" You could just feel the devils of hell around that tabernacle.

ZION fought her battles, and she emerged better, purer, stronger, in every way, than she was before.

Then some people say, "Oh, what a pity we have to go through those things!"

I thank God that we have to go through them. It is a good thing.

We have had a great fight here, and I would just like you to show me where the devil has made any progress.

I can foresee, this morning, that with a faithful band of people, it will not be many years until you will hunt for our enemies and you will not be able to find them.

Now, then, DO YOU WANT A ZION CITY?

"Yes, if the Lord will make it in Heaven and drop it down all ready."

That is the kind of ZION CITY some people want. But God does not build ZION Cities in that way. God builds ZION Cities through consecrated men and women.

Do you want a Zion City?

I wonder how many there are who really and truly want a ZION CITY?

I have said to people: "Suppose it were possible to blot God out of your life? Suppose it were possible to banish Jesus Christ from your life, or the Holy Ghost? or that the Christian religion were taken away from you—how would you like that?"

How many of you would like ZION CITY to be swept off the earth?

How many of you, tomorrow, would like to find yourselves in the midst of a city of the world, with its saloons, assignation houses, gambling dens, and all the other accoutrements that go to make up a modern city of the world?

How would you like it?

Think what God has done for us! Why it was glorious!

God permitted ZION to be driven clear outside of this city!

God permitted us to lose the Tabernacle—and it was one of the best things that ever happened to this people. He permitted us to go into a little old tent and sit on bridge-planks. You had been sitting in opera chairs, and God said, "They are losing their religion—I will make them sit on bridge-planks."

We went through all kinds of things, but it was glorious. Those of you who sit here today and look back on the experiences in the tent put that down as one of the happiest experiences in your whole career.

God permitted the devil to kick Clendinen and Thurston and other men out of ZION Stores, and it was one of the best things that ever happened to them.

Then God allowed the devil to get into Zion Home, and He

allowed this thing and that thing and the other thing—all to test the people out, and to see what there was in them.

How God Blessed in the Purchase of Shiloh Tabernacle

After a while, when God saw that a little company had stood the test, He said, "All right, I will reward you. I will give you the Tabernacle." All right, God gave us the Tabernacle, for \$12,500. It originally cost about \$44,000—in fact, there are about seven thousand dollars' worth of chairs in this place.

About eight or ten of us met, and we discussed the pros and cons of this gigantic (?) matter for the greater part of two days! I often wonder what God thought of us. We were little persimmons in those days, were we not? We were going to face a thing like that!

God could not do much with us, but at last we made up our minds to jump—and we *jumped*; and we bought this Tabernacle for \$12,500.

Then the "gutter" prophets—Sanballat, Geshem, and Tobiah—started to make prophecies, and they said:

"He will make the first payment of \$2,500, and he will never make another one."

Well, we made all the payments, and we made them ahead of time!

That made them scratch their heads.

Now, God saw that He could do a little with us.

Then we parted company with the receiver, and he declared that we should never buy another thing in ZION CITY—and what our enemies were not going to do would not be worth mentioning.

It is a long story, but I never grow tired of telling it.

How the Purchase of the Zion Stores was Accomplished

Then we wanted to buy the ZION Store, for which the Receiver asked \$75,000—but he would not sell us anything. So we went to Chicago to a friend of mine, who is now dead, and he recommended Mr. Beatty. He came out here and went into the Receiver's office, and said: "I hear you have a store for sale—well, I am thinking of buying a store. It may be I might consider this and buy it."

After they had talked for a little while, the Receiver said: "There is one thing, you will have to promise that if I sell you these stores, you will never sell them to Voliva."

"If I buy a property, I do not propose to let anybody dictate to me as to whom I shall sell it!"

Then the Receiver changed his mind.

"Voliva has a store, too, hasn't he?" said Beatty. "I think I will go down and look at it. I may buy it. I don't know whether I want to buy your store or not."

Things went on, and all at once the Receiver found out that it was really Voliva who was buying the store. Well, at last he grew reconciled to it, because he saw that it was a good deal.

The sale was made.

Then the traitors of ZION had a rejoicing, and they said. "The receiver is selling the store to a Chicago business man." They were just jumping up and down, and shouting "Hallelujah!"

I went to jail then—I guess to keep from talking; and I was in jail when they finally put the deal through. On Saturday night, lo and behold! our enemies discovered that Voliva had bought the stores. Well, you can imagine the scene!

Why, wasn't that wonderful?

Night after night I would get about forty people together in a room, and I would say: "Now, brothers and sisters, I have a very important secret to disclose to you. Will you promise God that, under no circumstances, you will breathe a syllable?" They all promised—they did it in order to find out what the secret was. However, they kept their word.

"Now," I said, "I want all the money we can rake and scrape together. I want to pay cash for the stores."

Then the next night I would get twenty or thirty more together.

We arranged to have a big sale at our store down the street, and, at the same time, to have one in the ZION CITY General Stores—before they knew anything about the sale, you know; and if we didn't sell twenty or thirty thousand dollars' worth of goods to them before they knew who was running it!

I kept on having these meetings and raising money, and we paid them \$75,000, and got \$2,000 cash discount.

After that, the Receiver, the court, and I began to do business. They began to see that Voliva was the only man in ZION CITY who was doing anything."

Why? Because I was the man whom God called to do it.

The Purchase of Zion Home and the Temple Site

In a few months, those timid "boys," who had trembled before \$12,500, decided to buy the Zion Home, the Administration Building, and the Temple Site, for \$100,000. I tell you, we were getting bold. We had not dreamt of any such thing as buying this estate.

We closed the deal for the ZION Home, the Administration Building, and the Temple Site, and made our payments.

One day the Receiver said to me, "Have you ever thought about buying all the Estate?"

"Well," I said, "I would like to have it."

That was a part of God's plan—and I want to tell you that it is a part of God's plan for me to have that Lace Factory; it is a part of God's plan for me to have every foot of ground in the ZION CITY Site!

God is ready to give it to us tomorrow, but He is only waiting for the people to come up to the mark.

God will work this thing out!

If ZION was not of God, it would have been blotted off the earth long ago. Why, look how it has lived! Any other movement would have been dead long ago.

The Purchase of the Zion City Site

I said to the receiver, "Give me a cash price." In three days he gave me the price, on a slip of paper—\$800,000.

\$800,000! It was not to be picked up every morning in the grass!

It was a big lot of money—and you know, we were fighting the devil in ZION CITY, and we were compelled to pay out large sums of money on the defensive.

Well, we tackled it, by faith in God and faith in ZION people—and some of the people have kept the faith, and some have not; but I hope they will come up before this Feast is over, and get down to business.

\$800,000! That is a lot of cash—especially from a people who were bankrupt, and who had lost everything they had, so they said. Any man who says any one can lose anything in God's work is a liar!

I say, eternal shame and disgrace to the man who has brought his money in to build God's work, and who then goes around talking about losing it! That is dethroning God! That is slapping God in the face and saying, "I trusted You, and You have fallen down on me."

Why, one man who had thousands of dollars in this work, and who never professed to be a Christian, said, when he was introduced to me: "Mr. Voliva, I never have thought of it, and I never will think of it. God will make it up to me many-fold!"

Then there are others who go around saying, "I lost my money! I lost my money!"

Well, the greatest blessing that can happen to some people is the loss of their money.

We have some in ZION yet who are going to lose their money if they do not get into line and get right with God.

God wants you to get to Heaven, does He not? He does not want you to go to hell.

Some People Permit their Money to Take them to Hell

Get your heart off money; get it off this world, and get it on Divine things—or God will strip you of everything you own.

Well, we went to Chicago.

We held one hundred and forty-six conferences, and finally the deal went through, and we issued \$950,000 in bonds.

These bonds were sold in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, and Europe. They were for \$1,000 each, with interest at five per cent, payable semi-annually.

I want to put this on the board:

We agreed to pay on

September	1, 1912,	— Principal —	\$100,000
March	1, 1913,	— Principal —	\$100,000
March	1, 1914,	— Principal —	\$100,000
March	1, 1915,	— Principal —	\$100,000

Each yearly payment, including the taxes and interest, amounted to about \$150,000.

The General Overseer Buys Zion City Site for Zion People

Now, then, what use had I for 4,000 acres of land, 2,500 city lots, 800 acres of lake front land, and all these buildings? I had no use for them whatsoever.

Why did I step into the breach and buy them?

I bought them for God and for ZION people, that they might have a ZION CITY; and I bought them with faith in every ZION man and woman, that they would back me up.

The payments as above stated, for the years 1912, 1913, 1914, and 1915, have all been met; the notes and bonds having been canceled.

During the close of 1915 and the beginning of 1916, we entered into a new financial arrangement.

The next payment will be September 1, 1916 (Special Note: This payment has been met); and then the next payment will be March 1, 1917.

The Wonderful Blessings of God upon Zion

How good God has been! Why, just think of it!

He has put us to the test, and as we have been faithful He has rewarded us.

As we stand here and God looks down upon us, can we say that we have been faithful?

We shall all have to give an account to God in the day of judgment.

I tell you, we have a great heritage here; but the question is: How many people are there who want a ZION CITY?

Zion City is a Lovely Place. It is a Beautiful Spot

Another thing: Do not let me hear any officer or member of ZION talking about difficulties and saying that real estate is dead, and so on. That is not the way for a Christian to talk. That is the way those spies who went up to spy out the land, talked. They came back there and circulated false reports and scared the people almost to death. The miserable wretches, they got all that was coming to them!

I should like to know where our God is!

I should like to know if our God is not able to sell a farm any time!

Of course, if we are going to follow the ways of the world and look at every little difficulty, we will never help build a ZION CITY.

I will tell you another thing: A number of our people are making a grave mistake. They are asking more than their property is worth.

Why should a man ask \$60 an acre for his farm, when you could not find a man in the state who would say it is worth more than \$40? Think of such a person writing in to us, "Please pray that I can sell my farm."

There have been cases of that kind.

I will tell you, there is only one thing that retards the building of ZION CITY, and that is the LOVE OF MONEY.

If we could get all ZION people to rise up at once and do what they ought to do, in twelve months we could pay off the entire amount.

I am going to stick to the job, because this old world needs a ZION CITY.

If you have been fooling around, get down to business, because you will lose out if you don't.

It is not a matter of dollars and cents: it is a matter of hearing the voice of God and doing what is right.

That is the one thing!

We will not get anywhere without faith.

Now, I live for ZION and for ZION CITY.

God Knows a Zion City is Needed

We have the opportunity today to do a marvelous work.

It is up to ZION people to build ZION CITY, and that is all there is to it.

God calls them. He is not calling the Roman Catholics, nor the Methodists, nor the Presbyterians. They do not want a ZION CITY.

God is calling ZION people to come here and live—and the time will come when all His people will have to be gathered.

The time is coming when a wife will have to leave a godless husband out in Babylon to damnation. That time has not yet

come, but as the storms gather it will come. How soon, I cannot say; but from the way in which events are transpiring, it would lead one to say that it will not be very long.

In building this city, no one is asked to *give* one cent. I will not accept one cent as a gift for the commercial interests of ZION. I refuse them for a good legal reason. All gifts must come into the Church.

What we want to do in order to build ZION CITY is to sell properties to ZION people. That is the best thing to do. If people do not want to buy properties, they can loan their money. We would rather have you buy properties, as we then do not have to pay interest.

Some of you people who live right here in ZION CITY do not know ZION Institutions and Industries. You never have taken the trouble to go down and look them over. You know, we want to develop a Divine enthusiasm.

We want to get our whole hearts and our whole lives into it, and then we can go out and preach the Gospel, as we have been preaching it in Chicago for the last nine months.

Zion's Harvest Assured When the Gospel is Preached

Sow the seed! That is the thing to do.

Do not bother about the harvest—that is none of our business.

If we were to look at the records, I will guarantee we would find that 4,000,000 messages, LEAVES OF HEALING, tracts, and notices had been distributed in the last two or three years.

Now, you know, after you get the ground all ready and drill in your wheat, do you sit down on a stump and curse the ground because you cannot gather the wheat the next day?

Down in Indiana, we drill wheat in September, and harvest in June and July. We put it in in September, and then go off to the Christmas treat, and never go back to that field until the next spring. You might sit there and sing, whistle, sprinkle salt, or a hundred other things, and it would not make any difference to the crop.

You put your wheat in, and there it will stay. It has to grow according to Nature's laws.

That is the way it is with ZION. We must sow the seed, and just keep at it all the time—never be discouraged, and never quit. If we did not keep at it, there would not be any ZION CITY.

During this Feast, I want to see the greatest results for the building of ZION CITY that we have ever had.

If you are not going to take your stand and do what is right, then you have no lot or part with us.

If you would rather invest your money in saloons and breweries—in building up the Kingdom of the devil—that is your privilege; but if you want it to be used for the extension of God Almighty's KINGDOM, why, get it into ZION. That is the proper thing for you to do!

I was going to ask the question a while ago, What is the trouble?

The trouble with some is, there is no faith!

I do not expect any person unless he has an unwavering faith in the Eternal God to help build a ZION CITY.

When you say you want a ZION CITY, do you know what that means?

Do not be like that fellow—I have told you about him before—who belonged to a church whose members worshiped in an old building that was ready to fall down, and which had been condemned by the building inspector. Every time the preacher delivered an eloquent sermon on the necessity of a new church building, this fellow would yell "Amen!" at the top of his voice. One Sunday, he let out an extra loud "Amen!" and the preacher jumped right at him and said, "Back it up with a hundred dollars, brother!"—He never said "Amen" afterwards.

When you say, "I want a ZION CITY," go out and sell that farm, and bring the money in here.

The question is: Can I depend upon the present constituency to do this thing, or must I go outside and, under God, build up the constituency to do it?

What did God say to Moses down at Kadesh-Barnea, when the children of Israel would not go into the Promised Land?—

I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they.—Numbers 14:12.

If you do not want a ZION CITY, say so! If there are only

fifty who want it and believe in it, let us get together and talk matters over. That is the proper thing to do.

I will tell you, if a man is RIGHT, even though he has not a cent in the world, he can PRAY.

Think of a man taking fourteen years to come into the ark after God built it and invited him to come!

Think of a man to whom God has said, "Go to ZION CITY and help build it up!" taking ten or fifteen years to do it!

Many Unfaithful People Unable Now to Come to Zion City

I know of individuals who could have brought \$25,000 in here six years ago, and they did not do it. They lost a good part of what they had, and some of them are in their graves.

Have you read the sermons which Dr. Dowie preached in Europe, when he advised all the ZION people in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Germany, Austria-Hungary, and other countries, to get out of Europe, and do it quickly?

Do you remember how he said, "The war-clouds are gathering. Your husbands and your sons will be forced into wars that are not of your making"?

Don't you suppose that a lot of them wish they had heeded it? They have no houses now, and their fields are nothing but craters, plowed up with the great shells. They have lost everything—and many of them have lost their lives.

One brother in Chicago testified that he was one of six who heard Dr. Dowie in the old country. The other five are in the war, and he has letters from them. He was telling me how they say in their letters, they would to God they had heeded John Alexander Dowie's warning.

Dr. Dowie was right in most things, and time may prove him right in a good many other things. As Elder Hawkins says, it takes fifty or a hundred years before men really understand a great man's mission and work.

The time will come when great armies will sweep over this land, and particularly will the coast states be exposed—you mark what I say. It is coming, and there is no power on this earth that can stop it, either.

This European war has not ended, nor is it about to end. The British statement was: "We will never quit until the sword is buried in the heart of Germany." That is the spirit of all of them. They will just go on, until there will not be very many left.

Many People Sorry they Heeded Not God's Call from Zion

I know some who stayed in Australia who would give a good deal if they had come to ZION CITY. They would not be over there in the trenches if they had come.

Why, the telegrams from London say that the British statesmen tell the people openly that they are prepared to slaughter hundreds of thousands of their own soldiers, in order to break the German lines.

You and I do not know much about it. I sometimes try to picture what one of those battles must look like. It must be terrible!

These wars will cover the earth.

There is no peace anywhere. Look at the strikes in this country, and look at the threatened strikes! The struggle between labor and capital is growing more acute every day.

These are just little rumblings compared with what is coming.

We have just so many years to do our work—and may God help us each to do our part!

Let all stand, please.

BENEDICTION BY THE GENERAL OVERSEER:

May the grace of God the Father; the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter; and the peace of the Blessed Christ, be with us throughout this entire Feast, and make it a great blessing: in Jesus' Name and for His Sake. Amen.

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ZION IN SONG

By EVANGELIST V. B. SHUMAKER



PAST

"Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation; * * *—Exodus 15:1-2.

PRESENT

"Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to The Lord."—Colossians 3:16.

"Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing."—Psalm 100:2.

FUTURE

"And I heard a voice from heaven, * * * and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

"And they sung as it were a new song * * * and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth."—Revelation 14:2, 3.

AN ELOQUENT speaker has said: "Music is a rose of lipped shell, murmuring the songs of the eternal sea; a bird, singing the songs of another shore."

In this godless age, when Satan has usurped well nigh everything to be used to extend his kingdom, ZION has been raised up to bring back to God's chosen people every talent. Among them is music.

I opened the lids of the Bible, and as I searched carefully through its pages, I found the words, "Song, Sing, Singing, and Praise," mentioned over four hundred and fifty times. How wonderfully Jehovah has planned for humanity to give expression to their emotions, especially in devotion to Him!

The first reference on "Praise" is found in Genesis 29:35, "Now will I praise the Lord!"

While it does not specify melody as song, yet, there was, no doubt, harmony.

In Exodus 15 we have, in detail, the song of Moses and the children of Israel, with the responsive song of Miriam and the women.

Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt Him.

The Lord is a man of war: the Lord is His name.

Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone.

Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in power: Thy right hand, O Lord hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

And in the greatness of Thine excellency Thou hast overthrown them that rose up against Thee: Thou sendest forth Thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble.

And with the blast of Thy nostrils the waters were gathered together: the floods stood upright as an heap; and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them: I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.

Thou didst blow with Thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?

Thou stretchedst out Thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

Thou in Thy mercy hast led forth the people which Thou hast redeemed: Thou hast guided them in Thy strength unto Thy holy habitation.

The people shall hear, and be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of Thine arm they shall be as still as a stone; till Thy people pass over, which Thou hast purchased.

Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of Thine inheritance, in the place, O Lord, which Thou hast made for Thee to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which Thy hands have established.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the Lord brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea.

And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the Lord; for He hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea.—Exodus 15:1-21.

This song is again mentioned in Revelation 15:3, adding also the song of the Lamb:—

And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of saints."

Songs are further mentioned in Hebrews 2:12:—

I will declare Thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto Thee.

I will declare Thy Name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.—Psalm 22:22.

Israel sang this song, Spring up, O well; sing ye unto it.—Numbers 21:17.

In Deuteronomy 31st chapter, verses 19 to 22, we find a song of warning:

Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for Me against the children of Israel.

For when I shall have brought them into the land which I swear unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke Me, and break My covenant.

And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are befallen them, that this song shall testify against them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they go about, even now, before I have brought them into the land which I swear.

Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel.

Another song is found in the 32nd chapter of Deuteronomy;

Give ear, O ye Heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the show-ers upon the grass:

Because I will publish the Name of the Lord: ascribe ye greatness unto our God.

He is the Rock, His work is perfect: for all His ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is He.—Deuteronomy 32:1-4.

Read also verses 5 and 44 of this same chapter.

We pass into the book of Judges. In the fifth chapter, verses 1, 2, 3 and 12, we have the song of Deborah and Barak; the entire chapter being devoted to it.

Then sang Deborah and Barak, the son of Abinoam, on that day, saying,

Praise ye the Lord for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselves.

Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes; I, even I, will sing unto the Lord; I will sing praise to the Lord God of Israel.

Awake, awake Deborah: awake, awake, utter a song: arise, Barak, and lead thy captivity captive, thou son of Abinoam.—Judges 5:1, 2, 3, 12.

In the second book of Samuel, we are introduced to the sweet singer of Israel, in a lamentation over the death of Saul and Jonathan.

And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

(Also he bade them teach the children of Judah the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)

The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!

Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon: lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.

Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be rain upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil.

From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with other delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, thou wast slain in thine high places.

I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished.—II Samuel 1:17-27.

Jeremiah wrote five lamentations, a series of waiting, or mournful songs. Let us now take notice, as ZION under David's guidance became more fully organized, we have the record of the first organized ZION Choir.

And these are they whom David set over the service of song in the house of the Lord, after that the ark had rest.

And they ministered before the dwelling-place of the tabernacle of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house of the Lord in Jerusalem; and then they waited on their office according to their order.—I Chronicles 6:31, 32.

Moreover, David and the captains of the host separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen, according to their service, was:

Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph, under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied according to the order of the king.

Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise the Lord.

Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamtiezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Mahazioth;

All these were the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons, and three daughters.

All these were under the hands of their father for song in the house of the Lord, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God, according to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

So the number of them with their brethren, that were instructed with the songs of the Lord, even all that were cunning, was two hundred fourscore and eight.—I Chronicles 25:1-7.

We notice there the ZION Orchestra, and perhaps the ZION Junior Choir, put on an organized basis; and quite naturally, at all stages of Zion's advancement from the time of Israel's (or ZION's) deliverance from bondage to the present time, songs of Zion have been sung on occasions of praise, warning, lamentation, and prophecy.

Volumes could be written on the importance of music, and song. The most touching and pathetic reference on record in Holy Writ, mentioning song, is found in Mark 14:26;

And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives,

just before Christ's betrayal. It is claimed by some writers the Christ, and His Apostles sang, or chanted portions from the forty-seventh, and from the hundred and fiftieth Psalm.

Thus we have the inspired Word above all others to prove that Jehovah has given to mortal man the power to deliver

His pent-up impressions in song or music, in one form or another. Not only do we have the Bible record as proof, but in history we have also seen it proven time and again.

Every nation of prominence today has its patriotic song, or songs. Every religious organization that has come on the scene of activity, has given rise to new songs, hymns, or chants, to suit the occasion. Even great, and bloody battles are remembered today in song. We have thousands of songs and hymns; many beautiful, some sublime, and a few no doubt inspired for the occasion.

We cannot refrain from quoting Revelation 5:9, 10:

And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue and people and nation;

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

"And they sung a new song!" How often have we heard ZION's former leader, Dr. Dowie, express himself regarding the need of ZION songs for the times of the restitution of all things. We also know the convictions of our present leader, the General Overseer, Wilbur Glenn Voliva, along this line. But not until the Sixteenth Feast of Tabernacles, the most remarkable Feast ever held, did almost everyone in ZION, who were in attendance and living in the inner circle, take such an interest in ZION's onward march, or manifest such a desire for a ZION song-book, or hymnal; and why?

Because the different departments of ZION's work have now settled down to a firmer basis than ever before. The Ecclesiastical, Commercial, Political, and now the Educational, in full strength, have now become a reality, and naturally, like the ZION of old, the musical work will become a greater feature, as the evangelistic work of ZION becomes more effective.

An effective message is always aided by an effective song. A stirring ZION Sermon is not helped by a song or hymn with words of apostasy in it.

A new generation is growing up in ZION, and within a few years, ZION Meetings, Schools, and every department of ZION must ring with songs of ZION. We must have a ZION Song-book, or Hymnal. God grant it!

Sing us the songs of Zion! Songs of worth and power;
Beaming with truth in every line, fitted for Zion's hour.
Sing us the songs of Zion! Sent from Zion above,
Inspired by Jehovah, full of pathos and love.
Sing us the songs of Zion! Stirring the hearts of men;
Waking the careless to action, freeing the captive again.
Sing us the songs of Zion! Loud let the anthems ring!
Gather the wheat in the garner, ready to meet The King!

Right-Hand of Fellowship

The following Persons were received into Fellowship by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in ZION, at Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, Lord's Day Afternoon, September 3, 1916:

Bolinder, Mrs. Ida N.	Minnesota
Davis, Charles	Illinois
Davis, Ernest	Illinois
DePew, Frederick Heman	Illinois
DePew, Theodore	Illinois
Goodwin, William	Wisconsin
Hall, Miss Esther Irene.....	Illinois
Metzler, Mrs. Arabel	Illinois
Metzler, Miss Margaret	Illinois
Moughmer, Howard	Illinois
Richards, Miss Nellie	Illinois
Taplin, Kenneth F.	Illinois
Wilkinson, Miss Emily	Illinois

A STIRRING MESSAGE FROM CHINA

(Continued from page 581)

ZION works for God. ZION has suffered reproach. But ZION is travelling on toward God, and will never be at rest till she reaches the goal and sees Him face to face.

ZION reaches across the sea and touches Australia and men and women are blessed. ZION sends the message to Europe and it makes people confess their sins and make wrongs right and turn to God.

ZION sends the message to dark Africa and it seems that it almost wakes the dead. ZION reaches across the thousands of miles of the dark, dark seas and the wonderful message of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN stirs the hearts of people in the Orient and they are turned to God.

The scene in ZION Tabernacle last Lord's Day at the corner of Helen Terrace and North Szechuen Road Extension, in Shanghai, China, was a most impressive one. Elder Viking preached on THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Afterward to see the Christians partake of the bread and the juice of the grape, in memory of the broken body of our Lord and in memory of the shed blood of our Lord—in memory of the death and suffering of our Lord—was a most impressive scene.

A week ago I baptized a minister who will doubtless visit ZION CITY as he is now on his way to America and on his way to ZION. Last Lord's Day I had the pleasure of baptizing fifteen persons. Deacon Yang came up from Ningpo with six of these, and he was very happy. We praise God for it all.

The meetings at present in Shanghai are as follows:

Central ZION Tabernacle, every Lord's Day at ten o'clock A. M., service in Chinese; the principle services of the week; Monday—Cantonese meeting, for Cantonese speaking people led by Deacon Ernest Low; Tuesday evening: Deacons meeting; Wednesday evening midweek rally in Chinese; Thursday evening at six o'clock midweek meeting in English for all English speaking people; Friday evening at eight o'clock, meeting in Japanese for Japanese speaking people.

We shall soon open meetings Lord's Days at eight o'clock P. M. for all English speaking people. In addition there is a Cantonese meeting on Range Road, Lord's Day afternoon at Deacon Hong's school, and a meeting on Tsepoo Road at Deacon Wu's school, and on Thursday afternoons across the Whangpoo river at Pootung is a meeting.

Pray for ZION at Headquarters. Pray for ZION in Australia. Pray for ZION in Africa. Pray for ZION in Europe. Pray for ZION in Canada. Pray for the General Overseer. Pray for ZION CITY.

Pray for ZION in the Orient. The nations are at war. What we do must be done at once. For the Lord cometh. The night cometh when no man can work.

Work! Work!! Watch! Watch!! Pray! Pray!! Pray!!!

JESUS THE HEALER, AND SATAN THE DEFILER

The ministry of Jesus the Christ is summed up in three things: Teaching, Preaching, Healing.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

What did He teach?

He taught His own Divinity.

He taught His own incarnation.

He taught that every man on earth was in need of a Savior.

He proclaimed Repentance first, and Faith next.

Zion proclaims that there is no salvation in any other name than that of Jesus.

SATAN THE DEFILER.

"He that doeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this end was the Son of God manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."—I John 3:8.

"How that God anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him."—Acts 10:38.

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day?"—Luke 13:16.

ZION, in her teaching, smites the wicked lie that God makes His children sick.

WHAT SHOULD A CHRISTIAN DO WHEN SICK?

"Is any sick among you? let him call for the Elders of the Church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

"And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."—James 5:14-16.

A Christian should obey the commands of God as contained in His Word.

"What should a Christian do when sick?" is plainly answered by the above Apostolic command, which was inspired by the Spirit of God. It shows you what was the practice of the primitive Church.

Nowhere in the Old Testament, nor in the New, is there a single word approving doctors, surgeons, or drugs. You may search the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, covering four thousand one hundred years of human history, of Divine Revelation, and you will find no provision for any other healing of God's people than God Himself.

"What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of His people shall trust in it."

ZION has been called into existence as a place of refuge for the oppressed and afflicted of God's people.

The ministers of the apostate Churches are, for the most part, false shepherds, and they have turned the sick, the suffering and the dying over to doctors and drugs, surgeons and knives. The sick know better than to ask the ministers to pray for their healing, for they will tell them that the day of miracles is past, that Jesus used to heal but that He does not heal now, and they will advise them to go to the doctors.

Requests for prayer may be sent to ZION from any part of the world, and every Request will be given careful consideration.

Send in your Requests. If you can come to ZION HOME and attend the meetings and get the teaching, all the better.

Write to WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, placing the words "General Ecclesiastical Secretary" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

ZION IN CHICAGO

Central Zion Tabernacle

Michigan Avenue and 26th Street
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MEETINGS

EVERY LORD'S DAY

1:30 P. M. Bible School.

3:00 P. M. Principal Meeting.

8:00 P. M. Evangelistic Meeting.

Special Meeting for the Teaching and Prayer with the Sick, Every Tuesday at 3:00 P. M.

Praise, Prayer, and Testimony Meeting, Every Tuesday at 8:00 P. M. :: :: :: ::

RESTORATION WORK

ILLINOIS

Mr. J. W. Swanson of Zion City, Illinois reports the following Restoration Work done during three months, ending June 30th, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" given.....	10
"Theocrats" given	10
Total pieces distributed.....	20

* Following are reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Chicago, Illinois:

Mrs. Hinkston and Mrs. Peetz

Two weeks ending August 12, 1916.

Special calls made.....	9
"Leaves of Healing" sold	108
"Leaves of Healing" given	4
"Theocrats" given	6
Total pieces distributed.....	118

Mrs. Reinhold and Mrs. Mortenson

Two evenings, July 29 and August 12, 1916.

"Leaves of Healing" sold	68
"Leaves of Healing" given	20
"Theocrats" given	35
Messages given	55
Total pieces distributed.....	178

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyt

of Hampton, Illinois report the following Restoration Work done during the month of July 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	40
"Leaves of Healing" given	3
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	6
Messages given	10
Total pieces distributed.....	59

NEW YORK

Messrs. Geo. V. Ballegooyen and D. Van Glesen

report the following Restoration Work done during the month of July, ending July 31, 1916; in the City of New York - Brooklyn:

"Leaves of Healing" sold	75
"Leaves of Healing" given	21
Testaments given (Italian).....	1
Messages given (German).....	25

Total pieces distributed.....	122
Subscriptions to "Leaves of Healing" ..	2

OHIO

The following are Reports of Restoration Work done in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio:

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barrowcliff

Two weeks ending August 13, 1916.

Calls made	100
"Leaves of Healing" sold.....	50
Messages given	80
Total pieces distributed.....	130

Mrs. B. B. Fulton and Bertram and E. M. Atkins

Two weeks ending August 12, 1916.

Calls made	93
Calls made (Special).....	2
"Leaves of Healing" sold.....	84
"Theocrats" given	80
Total pieces distributed.....	164

Mr. Chas. W. Fulton and Mr. Wm. B. Barrowcliff

Calls made	38
"Leaves of Healing" sold	25
"Leaves of Healing" given	28
Total pieces distributed.....	53

TEXAS

Mrs. R. A. Ferrell of Dallas, Texas, sent in the following report of Restoration Work done during two months, June and July, 1916:

"Leaves of Healing" given	1277
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	250
"Theocrats" given	85
Messages given	334

Total pieces distributed.....	1946
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WASHINGTON

Mrs. Dora Brady of Spokane, Washington reports the following Restoration Work done during four months, ending August 1st, 1916:

Calls made	50
"Leaves of Healing" sold	50
"Leaves of Healing" given	157
"Leaves of Healing" mailed	48
"Theocrats" given	36
Messages given	89
Total pieces distributed.....	380

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Form of Application for Membership in the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

TO all who are desirous of entering into Fellowship with the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.
MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—The principles of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion have been fully set forth in the report of Two Conferences on Organization, held in Zion Tabernacle No. 2, which are fully reported in LEAVES OF HEALING for January 31 and February 7, 1896. The Basis of Fellowship is set forth in the Second Section of the Resolution passed on February 5th (See LEAVES OF HEALING, Volume II, Number 17, Page 267:)

FIRST—That we recognize the infallible inspiration and sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of faith and practice.
SECOND—That we recognize that no persons can be members of the Church who have not repented of their sins and have not trusted in Christ for Salvation.

THIRD—That such persons must also be able to make a good profession, and declare that they do know, in their own hearts, that they have truly repented, and are truly trusting Christ, and have the witness, in a measure, of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH—That all other questions of every kind shall be held to be matters of opinion and not matters that are essential to Church unity.

All who are conscious of fulfilling these conditions, no matter where they may reside, are invited to fill up the following blank and answer all the questions contained therein.

I am, Faithfully yours in Jesus,

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

AS FAR AS POSSIBLE THE APPLICANT HIMSELF SHOULD FILL OUT THIS BLANK. WRITE PLAINLY AND WITH INK.

Address.....

Date.....

Please be Sure to fill in

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion,
 Zion City, Illinois, U. S. A.

I hereby make application to be received as a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion, and declare my agreement with the Basis of Fellowship agreed upon at a Conference held February 5th, 1896, as set forth in Circular Letter of February 7, 1896.

What is your full name?.....

Where is your residence?.....

Please give full postoffice address

What is your age last birthday?..... Date and year of birth.....

Are you married, unmarried, widowed, or divorced?..... How many children have you living?.....

What is your father's full Christian name?.....

What is your mother's full Christian name?.....

What is the full name of husband or wife?.....

What is your occupation, profession, or trade?.....

What nationality are you?..... Where were you born?.....

What language or languages do you speak?.....

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By whom were you baptized?.....

With what religious organization were you formerly connected?.....

Recommended by

Signature of Applicant.....

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and healeth them.

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PATIENCE

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

A WEEKLY PAPER FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD
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Divine Salvation, Divine Healing and Divine Keeping

By Elder C. F. Viking



GOD'S wonderful Covenant, given to Israel, of Divine Healing and Divine Keeping has never been revoked or changed. It is just as binding upon God as Divine Salvation.

When Jesus sent out His apostles to the lost sheep of the house of Israel to proclaim His coming and the coming of THE KINGDOM OF GOD, He also gave them authority to cast out demons in His name and to heal the sick.

"And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

"And as ye go, preach, saying, THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand.

"Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give."—Matthew 10:1, 7, 8.

Jesus Himself did three things namely, teaching, preaching and healing. When He finally commissioned His disciples to go into all the world, not only to Israel but also to the heathen on His behalf, He included healing of disease as one of the essential parts of their ministry.

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature.

DIVINE HEALING rests on the Atonement of Jesus Christ and must therefore be considered in that light. It does not rise and fall with man's changing views, nor can it be done away with by age. No matter what you think about it or what people say, Divine Healing and Divine Keeping are experienced in Zion today.



"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

"And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

"They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."—Mark 16:15-18.

You will find Divine Salvation and Divine Healing and Divine Keeping the subject of praise in Psalm 103.

First we have Divine Salvation, then we have Divine Healing. The first part is the more important, and the second part depends upon the first. If there is no first part there is no second. If the people will not repent they cannot be healed. God requires repentance, conversion, then He can heal.—(Matthew 13:15.)

Divine Healing rests in the merit of a tremendous sacrifice, the greatest that

could be given. It is the sacrifice of Jesus the Son of God when He poured out His blood on the cross for sinful, suffering mankind. When He was put to death by the devil and his agents and received the cruel imprints of the nails and the thorns in His holy body, it was then that He paid the price for our redemption for spirit, soul and body.

"Who His Own self bare our sins in His Own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by Whose stripes ye were healed."—I Peter 2:24.

"Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses."—Matthew 8:17.

And we find Divine Healing for every kind of disease—(Luke 4:40; Acts 10:38.)

We have definite teaching how to get healed. God will answer prayer, the prayer of faith in Jesus' name.—(John 16:24; James 5:14, 15.)

As a Christian you have no right to turn aside from God's Way of healing unto the ways of the world which are many and all of which lead to the grave.

No Christian has any right when sick to call in doctors and to use drugs. The Gospel of Salvation and Healing is the same today as it was twenty centuries ago.

God has not changed; but the church has changed. It changed very early in the first century—error crept in and the apostles had to fight such all along. There were wolves in sheep's clothing, false apostles and false prophets. The spirit of Antichrist was there. There were scisms and divisions and troubles because of false brethren.

Gradually those who wanted to live holy lives and unspotted from the world were crowded to the wall, and were persecuted in the church. As the church let up on sin, and sought the favor of rulers and the rich she stranded and died in trespasses and sins. It was no longer the church of the meek and lowly Jesus, it was no longer THE KINGDOM OF GOD. It became the church of the Popes and the Kingdom of Rome.

Repentance and faith were thrown overboard, and the devil took charge, and he has charge still. The Holy Spirit was crowded out of the church. We are now facing these things in intensified form everywhere. The ministry has sold out to the demands of a depraved generation, and no longer does the Holy Spirit rule in pulpit and pew.

The godly people that are left in the churches are not free, but bound by traditions and try to convince themselves that the sweet will of God is for them to lie low and keep still.

A cowardly spirit has taken possession even of the best, and men shrink to go against public opinion. In such an atmosphere it is impossible to grow in faith and an overcoming life for God.

ZION alone stands wholly for God; an organization of these latter days, preparing for the coming of the Christ; a nation of righteousness where the people repent of sin and confess sin, where the people obey God-given authority; a church with Divine authority to rule in love and demand obedience to the cross.

ZION believes in the full Gospel for spirit, soul and body; a salvation that is real, from sin, uncleanness and disease without priests, doctors and drugs; but with repentance and faith and prayer and obedience.

In God's name, why do you sleep when the time has come when to sleep is death?

You are leaving God out to your own loss.

God calls you through ZION.

How can you afford to sleep?

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ZION's is the last call to repentance before Jesus comes.

The denominational ministers are asleep. They do not warn you. They cannot wake you. They make you still more sleepy. They lull you to sleep in a false security. They do not lead you to God when you are sick. They do not lead you to God when you sin; they lead you to a social club called church, and to so-called sacraments and so-called baptisms. The ministry is a screaming farce! The churches are gossip clubs, oratory halls full of lukewarm people on dress parade. It is as easy as any-

thing to see through the deacons and officers of these churches.

O people, get right with God!

God can save you.

God will save you if you will let Him.

He will heal you if you will come to Him just as you are—sinful as you are, full of disease as you are—and do what He tells you.

O come today!

Come to ZION for help; for ZION will lead you to God.

Come in amongst a people who pray, and who have faith, and who are getting ready for Jesus, who shun the world, and who put God first.

Praise God for Divine Salvation, Divine Healing and Divine Keeping.

"Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the Word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation."—Hebrews 13:7.

"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account; that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."—Hebrews 13:17.

"And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;

"And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.

"Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feeble-minded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.

"See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men."—I Thessalonians 5:12-15.

"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

"Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life; and few there be that find it."—Matthew 7:13, 14.

"To do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think."—Ephesians 3:20.

"To make all grace abound toward you."—II. Corinthians 9:8.

"To succour them that are tempted."—Hebrews 2:18.

"To save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him."—Hebrews 7:25.

"To keep you from falling."—Jude 24.

"To keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day."—II. Timothy 1:12.

"Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

"Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

"A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

"Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

"Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."—Matthew 7:16-20.



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ZION CITY, ILLINOIS
September 7, 1916

To the Officers, Members and Friends of Zion
Throughout the World.

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Jesus the Christ :

PEACE BE UNTO YOU!

With gratitude to God, our Father, we are indeed happy to announce through LEAVES OF HEALING that the payment on Zion Estate, due September 1, 1916, both principal and interest, was met on time.

We appreciate the faithful cooperation of all who responded to the call to the utmost extent of their ability. We thank God, take courage, and go forward.

We are earnestly praying and working that one and all in Zion may realize today that it is absolutely necessary for the building of Zion City that all outside properties be immediately sold—that the resources of Zion people be transferred to Zion City.

The lots, acre tracts, and farms, all of which are offered at the lowest possible prices to Zion people, must speedily be purchased.

September, October, and November, of this year, should see a far greater interest on the part of Zion people than ever before, and hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of properties should be sold.

We have decided to carry out the following plan immediately :

- FIRST:** To organize all officers and members who now live in Zion City, who have either outside properties or outside investments.
- SECOND:** To communicate by letter with all officers and members who live outside of Zion City, who have outside properties or investments.
- THIRD:** To select a number of individual workers to see and talk with each and every one of both the above companies.

My brothers and sisters, the gravest danger to you, spiritually and otherwise, is delay! Delay!! DELAY!!!

The fact of the matter is, that, with some of you, unless you hear the call of God NOW, sell your properties and come to Zion City, you will never get to Zion City.

With the opening of Zion Schools, on Monday, September 25th, many additional advantages may be had.

The past six months have been the best in the history of the Institutions and Industries, and with additional working capital there will be employment for more Zion people.

We ask one and all who can, to rejoice with us in what God has wrought; and then may all, immediately on reading this letter, get down upon their knees before an open Bible, make a full consecration, and go to work for the accomplishment of ONE THING—THE BUILDING UP OF ZION; and then a work will be done during the next three months that will be a great blessing to multitudes throughout time and Eternity.

With Christian love and earnestly praying that God may take us all just as we are and make us what we ought to be, and bless us with every needed blessing, and make us a blessing, I am

Faithfully in Jesus' Name,

He sendeth His word and healeth them.

LEAVES OF HEALING

And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

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Important Notice to All Members of Zion

We maintain a department for the purpose of disposing of properties outside of Zion City. We have quite a large number listed with us, but there are yet a large number that are not listed. If you want us to work and pray with you for the sale of your property, do this at once, giving us full particulars as to description, price, terms, etc.

Would be pleased to have you correspond with us in regard to the matter.

EDITORIAL NOTES

By APOSTLE FRANCIS M. ROYALL

THE GREAT BURDEN of the preaching of John the Baptist was not philosophy, nor scientific treatises on matter nor was it about the distances of the stars and the sun from the earth. But he went right to the root of the whole trouble and said "THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is at hand." Repent! Repent!! Repent!!!

OFFSPRING of vipers. Full of poison and death. Full of all that is wicked and impure and unclean. Hypocrites. Ready to stab your brother to the heart. Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? In other words if you have been warned why have you not brought forth fruits to show that you have repented?

HAVE YOU WRONGED your fellow man in anyway? Have you deceived your brother with lies and falsehoods and misrepresentations? Then go and do as you should. Restore what you have stolen. Confess to those you have wronged and ask forgiveness not from an old apostate priest, but from the one you have wronged and from God.

DO YOU WANT to be cut down, and cast into the fire? Do you want to suffer torture in this world and in the next, too? The axe is sharp and lies at the tree all ready. Are you that tree? Do you say I'll die before I'll confess to him or her? Then that kind of a tree is as sure to be cut down and cast into the fire as that the sun shines.

HE WILL CLEANSE His threshing floor and there will be no chance to escape, for it will be done thoroughly. His wheat will be gathered into the garner. The chaff will be burned up. Chaff is of no use at all. Do you belong to the useless chaff, or are you a part of the wheat? If you are living for yourself alone and working simply to make yourself comfortable and to enjoy life here then you are chaff, and you will be of no use until you see that life does not consist of what you possess, of what you own, and what you wear, and what you eat.

THE COMING ONE, the Messiah, the Christ of God said, "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares."

For it will come upon all who are living upon the face of the whole earth. Be on the Watch at all times and pray that you may have strength to escape all that is destined to happen and to stand in the presence of the Son of Man.

THIS IS the Saturday Night of the World. Men and women, young men and maidens look up. Look up for your Redemption draweth nigh. The Monday of the world's great week closed with the fall and left the once fair earth smitten by the curse and peopled by sinners. The week is well nigh finished. God's adversary, Satan, who seemed to drive the Messiah from His own territory, in the end will be vanquished. The earth has been wrecked and briars and thorns and unholiness supplanted heavenly beauty; and the reign of sin and woe, of death and ruin, has made this once glad earth a field of blood. Satan, though, will not in the end be victor.

WHEN NOAH and his family were taken away from the sight of men and shut up in the ark, there was not a friend of God left and the world was left without a righteous man upon it. The scenes of anguish of soul, from the apprehension of immediate destruction during the days and nights that followed, no inspired penman has described. No mortal pen can portray them. It was a time of distress, but not equal to the time that is awaiting this earth, when all who are watching and waiting for His Coming will be taken away from the earth while the wrath of God is being visited upon its ungodly inhabitants.

THAT THREATENED destruction did come, and those mocking unbelievers were swept away. It was God's righteous protest against sin. Here was a judgment of nations, and their punishment, since those nations have never existed again on the face of the earth. So it will be at the end of this present dispensation just now drawing to a close. The Friday of the world's great week already has closed. The Saturday of the world's great week is almost closed, whose sun is already far, very far down the western sky. And it is practically Saturday night.

HOW TRUE the words of the Christ, the Messiah, the Christ of God: "As it was in the days of Noah so will it be in the days of the coming of the Son of Man." It is asked with emphasis: "When the Son of man cometh, will He find faith on the earth?" Who of all the earth does not laugh and mock and sneer when the coming crash is proclaimed to them. How few professed christians can be made to believe or care anything about it.

THE LANGUAGE of all those who constitute the Bride of Christ is that of earnest longing and patient waiting: "Even so, come Lord Jesus. Come quickly." The wicked and slothful will say: "My Lord delayeth His coming; and shall begin to smite his fellows servants."

"The Lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for Him and in an hour that he is not aware of, and shall cut him asunder and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."—Matthew 24:50, 51.

CAN YOU CONCEIVE of the state of the earth under the rule of the Antichrist? The world will be filled with false and antichristian churches. There will be false shepherds, false teachers who pervert the right way of the Lord, the emissaries of Satan, the ministers of antichrist, as all teachers of false doctrines are. Who will be here to offer a prayer, or to direct the footsteps of a brother or sister or neighbor or friend to Jesus the Christ?

THE WORLD will be filled with false religions, false religious teachers who will influence the people to worship a military hero, renouncing all faith in the God of Heaven, and they will worship a military hero as the only God and Savior—the Antichrist. The devotees of humanly devised religious organizations are doing it today, which prefigures what shall come to pass soon.

ABOUNDING INIQUITY and bestial lust, as it was in the days before the flood, as it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah before their destruction, will everywhere prevail. Scoffing, infidelity, and blasphemy, political revolutions and civil wars, communism and nihilism, rapine and murder and bloodshed will sweep over the land.

NATIONS in all quarters of the globe will take up arms against nations, and the black horse of war will go forth everywhere with banners rolled in blood, while pestilence, famine, death and hell will follow in his train. They will marshall finally all the Kings of the earth under one imperial leadership of a personal Antichrist who will be worshipped as God, and will lead the nations on to the great battle of God Almighty.

THERE WILL BE alarming signs in the heavens above and the darkening of the sun, moon and stars and the powers of heaven will be shaken and earthquakes will threaten the dissolution of the very frame work of nature, until it will be more fearful to live than to die. They will call for the rocks and the mountains to fall on them so as to hide them from the face of God.

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Zion Educational Institutions

ZION SCHOOLS, owing to the fact that we have found it impossible to get the College Building ready, will not open until Monday, September 25th.

Registration Day will be Friday, September 22nd.

To date, six hundred and forty-five applications have been received.

The response, on the part of officers and members and friends, for the support of Zion Schools has, to date, been such as to awaken within my heart gratitude, joy, and hope.

The proper education of Zion children, youths and maidens, is indeed a work worthy of the prayerful consideration and support of every officer, member, and friend of Zion throughout the world.

We herewith present the different Forms, to be filled in by all who wish to help in this work:

_____ 1916

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,

President of Zion Educational Institutions,
Zion City, Illinois.

For the support of Zion Schools for twelve months, September 1, 1916, to September 1, 1917, I will contribute \$_____ on or before the _____ day of each and every month.

(Signed) _____

Address _____

_____ 1916

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,

President of Zion Educational Institutions,
Zion City, Illinois.

For the support of Zion Schools for twelve months, September 1, 1916, to September 1, 1917, I will contribute quarterly in advance \$_____

(Signed) _____

Address _____

_____ 1916

To WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,

President of Zion Educational Institutions,
Zion City, Illinois.

For the support of Zion Schools for twelve months, September 1, 1916, to September 1, 1917, I will contribute semi-annually in advance \$_____

(Signed) _____

Address _____

Helping to Establish Zion Schools

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 14, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—
"Peace to Thee!"

I take great pleasure in giving the enclosed note to ZION Schools.

Very sincerely yours in the Kingdom,

(Signed) MYRTLE ROSALIE CLARKE.

Note on ZION Institutions and Industries for \$148.69.

—, CALIFORNIA, August 23, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—
"Peace to Thee be multiplied!"

I am sending Postal Money Order for five dollars. One dollar for Redemption Fund, one dollar for ZION Schools (I wish I could give more), and three dollars for tithes.

May the blessing of God go with it, and all ZION everywhere be blessed, is my prayer.

With Christian love,

Your sister in the Christ,

(Signed) MRS. M. E. HAWKES.

—, NORTH DAKOTA, August 23, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear Sir:—

I have been reading LEAVES OF HEALING, and I find great blessing in reading them. I enclose a draft for \$10.00 for the ZION Schools, and I will see what I can do later on.

Wishing you God's richest blessings,

(Signed) FRANK ALBRIGHT.

—, ILLINOIS, August 14, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—
"Peace to Thee!"

I am sending in my tithes and offerings, also \$5.00 for the ZION Schools. I thank God I am able to help in His cause a little and hope to be able to help more later.

Yours in Jesus Name,

(Signed) F. E. BENNETT.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 21, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—
"Peace to Thee!"

Enclosed please find \$10.00 towards the ZION Schools, from "Grandma Steer."

Yours for God and ZION,

(Signed) MRS. S. A. WAGNELL.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 28, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

Enclosed please find check for \$5.00 to help ZION Schools. We are praying that God will bless ZION in this undertaking, and we hope to be able to help more in a short time.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) MR. & MRS. WILL A. BARTON.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, July 31, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

Please accept \$1.00 to help further the movement for ZION Schools. I am very sorry I cannot give more.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) GUSTAVE DUSKE.

P. S. If God should bless me, I would gladly give more, for I appreciate the value for ZION to have ZION Schools. May God richly bless you in this movement, and open the eyes, hearts, and pocketbooks of ZION people and their friends, to do their full duty.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, July 27, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

"Peace to Thee!"

Enclosed please find check for \$10.00, as "Wagnell's Voluntary Assessment" for ZION Schools.

We thoroughly endorse your action in this matter, and pray God to bless you in this and all your work for the Kingdom.

Yours in the work of ZION,

(Signed) ARTHUR & S. A. WAGNELL.

—, TEXAS, August 10, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

"Peace to Thee!"

I am sending Bank draft for five dollars, (\$5.00) for the School Fund.

May God help you to train up those dear children, He has given to ZION, in the way they should go, is the earnest prayer of

Your sister and co-laborer,

(Signed) MRS. LUELLA FERGES.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 13, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

Enclosed is the sum of \$10.00 towards the establishment of ZION Schools, together with the earnest prayer for God's richest blessing on your plans for the training of the children in ZION.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ARTHUR L. MANN

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 15, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

Enclosed please find three dollars, (\$3.00) to contribute to the ZION School Fund.

Yours in the Master's service,

(Signed) J. E. HART.

—, ALABAMA, August 30, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

"Peace to Thee!"

*** The enclosed check, (\$10.00) please accept as a part of my donation toward the support of ZION Schools.

May God richly bless you in the grand and glorious work, is now, and ever shall be my daily prayer.

Yours in Christ,

(Signed) ELOISE HEMPHILL.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 1, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

"Peace to Thee!"

Enclosed please find a Five Dollar Bill (\$5.00) for the ZION Schools, which came to me this morning in a letter, and which was just what I had asked the Lord to send me. Here it is, Praise His Name!

Faithfully yours in Jesus' Name,

(Signed) MRS. MARY C. HAZEL.

ZION CITY, ILLINOIS, August 2, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

"Peace to Thee!"

Please accept this check (\$25.00) for the ZION Schools. I am glad and thank God for the ZION Schools.

May God bless you continually in all your work for Him, is my earnest prayer.

(Signed) MRS. MATHILDE SCHWEICHLER.

—, INDIANA, September 1, 1916.

REV. WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA,
Administration Bldg.,
Zion City, Illinois.

Dear General Overseer:—

"Peace to Thee!"

I am Arthur Miller, Dan and Martha Rhoades' little boy. I thank you for your prayers. My heel is well.

Enclosed you will find Tithes —, the rest for the School Fund. It is not much, but it is all I have.

Yours in Jesus' Name,

(Signed) ARTHUR MILLER RHOADES.

Heralding the Gospel of the Kingdom

And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come. — Matthew 24:14.



SUBJECT:

The Unchangeable Covenant of Divine Healing

Report of the Divine Healing Service, held in Central Zion Tabernacle, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., Tuesday afternoon, December 7, 1915. Address by

WILBUR GLENN VOLIVA

General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion.

Reported by E. I. Carey

GENERAL OVERSEER: We are here to teach the Word of God, and I hope, this afternoon, to take you through the different narratives of healing recorded in the life and ministry of Jesus the Christ.

Now, we will sing a good old Methodist Hymn — "JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL."

One thing that I never could understand is how they can sing this grand old hymn of Wesley's, which so plainly teaches Divine Healing, and yet not practice it.

This hymn has a very interesting history. It was born of experience, and that is the reason it has lived. Productions that are born of the head have a very short life.

That is the reason the Twenty-third Psalm is just as fresh and beautiful today as though it had been written yesterday—it was born of a rich experience.

This hymn, written by Wesley, and sung today, is just as inspiring as when it was first written. It is one of the very few hymns that has lived.

Jesus, Lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
Oh, receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none,....

How true that is! There never was a statement made truer than this line!

Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on Thee:
Leave, oh, leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed;
All my help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in Thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,

And then the next line:

HEAL THE SICK, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name,
I am all unrighteousness:
Vile, and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Let us stand and sing the first three stanzas, please.

PRAYER

GENERAL OVERSEER: Our Father Who art in Heaven, through Thy loving kindness during the days and the nights that have passed since we last met in this Thy house of worship, we are permitted once more, this side of the grave, the day of judgment, and eternity, to assemble ourselves further to attend the means

of grace, that we may be the better prepared to answer the call when it comes.

Our God and Father, we hallow Thy Name; we praise and bless and magnify Thee; we extol Thee; and every day we praise Thee and call upon "all that is within us" to bless Thy Holy Name.

Thou hast created us in Thine Own Image, and Thou didst place us here to make the necessary preparation for eternity. Thou hast given us sufficient time, but not a moment to lose; and soon Thou wilt call us into Thy Presence to give an answer for the way we have spent our time and used our talents. O God, we beseech Thee that this day, as never before, there may be impressed upon our minds and hearts, by the power of the Holy Spirit, the great importance of seizing every opportunity, of improving the time, of making the preparation that must be made here for time and for eternity.

O God, our Father in Heaven, this is just another privilege, another opportunity, which Thou art granting unto us; and we pray that Thou wilt help us to shut the world outside and to withdraw into our closets—shutting ourselves away from the world, shutting ourselves alone with Thee, to commune with Thee.

O our Father in Heaven, may we tarry at the Fountain of Life and receive, in this afternoon hour, the blessings we need for spirit, for soul, and for body! Sanctify this entire meeting, we beseech Thee! Thou knowest every heart present; Thou knowest all who will be reached, directly and indirectly.

We pray, Father, for the work that is now being done in this great city. Help us, we pray Thee, to do our part, to acquit ourselves like men, and never to be weary in well-doing, knowing that in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

O God our Father, help us this afternoon to draw nigh unto Thee with true and honest hearts. Forgive us wherein we have done any wrong, and help us this day to draw nigh unto Thee with a true and sincere repentance, that this night, as we retire, we may be able to sleep the sleep of the just, and that we may have consciences void of offence toward both God and man.

Bless each one here. Thou knowest each one of us. O God, may this be a feast of good things to every hungry and thirsty spirit! May this be the day when one and all present shall receive just those things of which they stand in need.

Now, Father, bless the workers as they go from house to house in all the streets and lanes of this city. Help them to overcome all obstacles and reach the people with the literature.

Prepare us for the meeting on the coming Lord's Day, and help us, our God, to go forward in faith, turning neither to the right hand nor to the left, but keeping our eyes upon Jesus the Christ, Who is our Helper. Guide us by Thy Word and Spirit, and bless us; in Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

Conductor and Mrs. J. D. Thomas then sang the selection, entitled, "SPIRIT SO HOLY."

ADDRESS

Your attention is called to the notice, fifty to one hundred thousand of which will be distributed in this city before next Lord's Day, and also to the tract in connection with the notice, which presents to the public—first of all, a photograph of how vaccine virus is obtained, with the story.

On the other side is the photograph of Mr. Benjamin F. Olewine, of Altoona, Pa., who was vaccinated to protect him against smallpox, with another photograph showing what developed from the vaccination and destroyed his life.

Vaccination Through its Filthy Cow-pox Virus Causes Many Diseases

Then follows a statement by Alfred Russell Wallace, a

very renowned writer, entitled, "Vaccination a Gigantic Delusion;" and then a statement by J. W. Hodge, of Niagara Falls, who is one of the most prolific and virile writers against Vaccination in the United States; then a statement by George W. Winterbottom; and the most important statement of all, by Dr. W. M. Peebles, who has issued a book of over three hundred pages, and who has studied smallpox in every land. He takes the position, which is coming more and more to be recognized as the truth, that the reason we have so much consumption and cancer—and, in fact, all of the different diseases—is due to a century of blood poisoning.

If the advocates of vaccination want a fair and square fight, let them come out of their holes—and they will find me there. I will meet on the platform of the Coliseum any champion they want to select, either from this country or from Europe—I do not care who he is, as long as he is a man of sufficient reputation, so that I will not be lowering my dignity by meeting him on the platform. But they will never do it. There is not a word to be said in defense of vaccination.

The worst thing is not that some children die twenty days after vaccination; but, as has been shown, there is sown a seed in the blood by this filthy cow-pox virus which, in twenty years, may develop into the most horrible cancer.

I can pile up statistics mountain-high, for I believe that I have as good a collection on this subject as there is to be found anywhere; and I know what I am talking about.

If, after I have scattered millions of copies of the special paper that I intend to prepare, people still want to be vaccinated, that is their privilege and their business—but we will give them the light.

One thing particularly that I want to get before the people of Chicago is the decisions of the Supreme Court showing that the so-called boards of health, assisted by the police, are violating the law every day. All that any parent in this city has to do, if a child is refused admission to the public schools, is to swear out a warrant and place that teacher under arrest; and you will have no further trouble. It is a game of bluff from start to finish.

There is one organization, however, which they do not bluff, and that is ZION.

Vaccination Practised for Filthy Lucre's Sake

I do not take a back seat for the State Board of Health, nor the Board of Health of Chicago, nor all the boards of health in Christendom. I know what the law is, and I know what the decisions are; and the proper thing to do in this city is for the people to rise up and assert their rights under the Constitution, under the Laws of the State, and under the decisions of the Supreme Court, not only in this, but in other states.

This whole vaccination business is one of ignorance. Primarily, it is a matter of boodle. They vaccinate for the dollars that there are in it, and they do not care who dies, nor who is diseased, nor anything about it. The rank and file of the people, having no leader and no champion, permit themselves to be intimidated and coerced and cajoled; they submit to a lot of things simply because they have nobody to lead them.

As far as the ministers in Chicago are concerned, you could count on one hand all the people they lead in these matters.

All that is necessary to banish vaccination from the face of the earth is just to open the gates and let the light in—that is all that is necessary. And another thing,—if any school-teacher, a member of any board of health, a police officer, or anybody else, says that your child is a menace to the schools and to the public because he or she has not been vaccinated, sue them for fifty thousand dollars slander. You have a right to do it under the Civil Law, and under the Criminal Law.

I propose to keep at this country on vaccination, and I am not going to quit. It means money, but it will be money well spent; and if I never do anything else in this world other than to expose vaccination, I will have proven myself a benefactor to the human race, and will have saved the little children from having their sweet, pure blood poisoned by the filthy pus taken out of an ulcer on a calf's stomach.

The Horrible Story Told of Vaccination—Virus Manufacture

The story of how they do it is given on this notice of which I have been speaking. In the first place, they go to a small-pox

patient—now, you do not know what is in a man's or a woman's blood, do you? Nobody knows! A man may have cancer in his blood; he may have tuberculosis in his blood; he may have scrofula.

Here is a man with smallpox. They scrape the top off an ulcer and squeeze out the matter, which they take to one of these vaccination firms. There they take a calf and strap it to a table, and make from one hundred to one hundred and twenty incisions on its stomach with a lance. The pus taken from the smallpox patient is then put into these freshly cut places on the stomach of the calf, and its legs and head tied so that it can neither kick nor scratch nor kick these sores—and it must endure this awful torment while it is developing a case of the smallpox.

After eight days, they scrape the tops off these sores, and use what they call a scoop to scoop the matter out. Then they take that with nitroglycerine and put it into quills; and, as they did down here at West Hammond, scarify the arms of the children, and put it into their little bodies—into the stream of their blood. They then have what is called a mild case of smallpox.

Now, then, this is a very important matter!

I know what I am up against. I have fought a good many big battles, and I have had as many as three large suits on my hands at once. I know just exactly what it means to fight a battle in the city of Chicago.

We will not get any assistance from the press. The press of Chicago is a subsidized press. We will never get the newspapers of Chicago to give us any space on Vaccination—nor on anything else, unless it suits their pocketbooks.

You can buy them, just like you can buy a harlot out here on the street, and that is all there is to it!

A little later on, I want to print figures showing that you are in ten times as much danger of being hit by lightning as you are of catching smallpox; and I will prove that vaccination kills hundreds where smallpox kills one. I will back it up by statistics that are incontrovertible, and I will print scores of pictures of men, women, and children who have lost their arms and legs, and, in many cases, their lives.

I will print one picture of a child who was as pure and beautiful as any child in the city of Chicago, before he was vaccinated; but since then he has been covered with eczema, from the crown of his head to the sole of his feet—in fact, you cannot put a finger on a spot on his body that is not covered with eczema.

All disease is in the blood. If you have pure blood, you will always have a strong, vigorous body; but if you have not pure blood, you are a prey to every adverse influence that comes along.

I want to turn Chicago upside down and inside out; and I will make many friends, and some enemies—because all you have to do to make an enemy of some people is just to present something different from what their great-grandfather believed, and, of course, at once you are no good.

Well, if I had nothing to present to Chicago but what the people believe, I would stay at home. I have a hundred things to present to Chicago which they do not believe in. I want to show them that they are wrong and that I am right.

Here is the standard (holding up the Bible); and if you profess to believe in the Bible, I am going to back you in a corner on every one of these subjects, or else you have to back me in a corner. If I am wrong, then I will have to give up; if you are wrong, then you will have to give up, that is all there is to it.

The Bible, the Divinely-Given Standard for Man

What you and I think about the matter settles nothing, nor what you and I say: the whole thing must be settled by the standard—the Bible. That is what I go by—the Bible—the book of books—the Word of God; and I propose to back up everything I say by the Word of God.

If you believe the Bible, you have to accept it!

If you believe the Bible, you have to accept the Theocracy; and that is a very important subject.

ZION, you know, is absolutely unlike any other movement on the face of the earth. We begin with the government of God.

In ZION God calls the minister; in the churches, the people call him, like a woman calls her cook. That is true, and you know it!

How can a man be a servant of God and free and untrammelled, when the people call him and agree to pay him so much per week? He becomes their servant, and has to do what they say.

In ZION, GOD CALLS THE LEADER, and he calls the people; and the rule is the rule of God—the government of God; the Theocracy.

There is the difference!

That is the reason I say here on Lord's Days: Even though a minister in the churches has the Holy Ghost in him and wants to preach the Gospel, he cannot do it; he does not dare to do it; he is in no position to do it.

Do you see those three men sitting there? (Indicating Evangelist Shumaker, Elder Richert, and Elder Huston.) They represent a church board. That always makes me think of the story of the traveling man who happened to stay in a certain city over night—Saturday night; and on Sunday he thought he would go to a church service. He hunted around and finally found a church. The minister, at the close of the sermon, said: "I would like to have all the Board come forward on the front seat after I pronounce the Benediction."

He pronounced the Benediction, and this traveling man came forward and took his place on one of the front seats. The minister stepped down and said, "You are a stranger, are you not?"

He answered, "Yes, sir. This is the first time I have ever been in the town."

"Were you ever in this church before?"

"No, sir."

"Well, is there anything I can do for you?"

"No; I just responded to your invitation. You said you wanted all the 'bored' to come down in front, and I never was more *bored* in my life than when I listened to your sermon, so I responded."

"Oh," the preacher said, "I meant the Church Board; I want to see them on some business."

Well, now, in ZION there are no "boards,"—except in the floor; and there are no committees—"cat-mitties" I call them, because their principal occupation is scratching—scratching the preacher when he does not do what they want him to do.

Zion's Form of Government a Theocracy

ZION is a Theocracy!

A preacher said to our workers there, "Well, I tell you, ZION has the most beautiful form of government on the face of the earth."

The Theocracy—the rule of God in the church, in the individual heart, in business, in politics, and in education!

Let God rule and control everywhere—that is the theory; that is the teaching of the Bible.

The rule of God.

If I prove it by the Word of God and you believe the Bible, you have to accept it!

The same is true of Divine Healing!

I do not know how anybody who listened to me last Lord's Day, if he were a believer in the Bible, could get up and go out of the meeting and not believe in Divine Healing.

The same is true of tithing!

The same is true of Triune Immersion—Christian baptism! Why, I can present absolutely unanswerable arguments from the Word of God, proving that Triune Immersion is Christian baptism; and I can back up my position by the foremost Congregational and Episcopalian writers of church history in the world.

Tobacco—why, I can show a man in five minutes that a Christian will not use tobacco. Let the man who professes to be a Christian put his pipe and tobacco on a chair and get down before it and ask God to sanctify it and to bless it—he cannot do it. It is the same way with card-playing, with theater-going, and with dancing.

One of the officers told me about a so-called church down here where they meet every Saturday and have a dance. He told about the girls with their short skirts—and some of them with bloomers on; and they were dancing around there—dancing their way to hell.

Think of a dance-hall in connection with a church!

What does the Word of God say? That is the all-important thing! That is all I want; I do not care for anything else.

If I give you the Word of God, you have to accept it. If you reject it, you do it at your peril!

These Tuesday afternoon meetings are announced as meetings for teaching and prayer with the sick.

Jesus' Ministry Included Three Things: Teaching, Preaching and Healing

I now call your attention once more to Matthew 4:23 and Matthew 9:35. I will quote these to you, and if you have your Bibles look them up and see if I quote them correctly.

If you want to make any advancement in the study of God's Word, you ought to have a pencil and a little book, and jot these passages down; and then after the meeting get LEAVES OF HEALING and THE THEOCRAT and the various tracts, and take them home and sit down in the quietness of your home at night and read and study them, and compare them with the Word of God.

Matthew 4:23 and Matthew 9:35 have the same words:

Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

There were three things that Jesus did.

I am here to exalt Jesus! I want you to understand that. Jesus—Jesus the Christ—God manifest in the flesh!

His ministry on earth is summed up in three words,—and I want you to get it so that you will never forget it—TEACHING, PREACHING, and HEALING. The ministry today is called for precisely the same purpose.

The first thing is TEACHING, and the second is PREACHING, and the third is HEALING.

Now, He *taught* in their synagogues—that is the first thing He did; and He *preached*—what did He preach?

He preached the Gospel of THE KINGDOM!

Some Lord's Day I want to talk for three hours on THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—THE MEDIATORIAL KINGDOM, and show you some things that perhaps you never saw before; because there is another respect in which ZION differs from all the rest, and that is that THE KINGDOM which was at hand and THE KINGDOM which Jesus mentioned in His prayer, when He said, "THY KINGDOM come," and the Kingdom that is spoken of in the Parables, is not THE KINGDOM that is up yonder where God's throne is.

The Kingdom of Heaven Sets Forth Christ's Mediatorial Kingdom

THE MEDIATORIAL KINGDOM is the Kingdom being established right here upon this earth, not up yonder.

There never was a time when THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, up there where God's throne is, did not exist. Therefore, in Jesus' prayer He says, "THY KINGDOM come,"—that is, THE MEDIATORIAL KINGDOM which Christ came to establish.

"Thy will be done on earth, as it is done"—where?

PEOPLE: "In Heaven."

Then in the Sermon on the Mount you have the constitution of THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, or, a state of society which will be established here on this earth.

I want to get into your minds what it means to teach and what it means to preach. There is a difference between teaching and preaching. To preach is to herald, to announce; to preach is not to originate, but simply to deliver a message which has been committed to you.

When a man *teaches*—for instance, on Divine Healing—he takes up all the different passages of Scripture on the subject, and he illustrates by comparisons, by contrasts; he resorts to illustrations.

There is the difference between teaching and preaching.

If you have an English dictionary at home, go and look up these words from time to time, and you will be able to get this clearly in your minds.

So this afternoon I want to talk to you about—what?

DIVINE HEALING!

I wish it understood that words are given for a purpose. In the Bible, every word means something.

I want you to grasp this in the very beginning, as far as ZION is concerned.

There is not another organization on the face of the earth—now, if there is, I should like to know what it is and have the proof adduced—there is not another body of people on earth

that teaches Divine Healing and *lives* it, although you may find individuals here and there who believe in it.

When ZION says she teaches Divine Healing and lives it, she means what she says, and she speaks the truth. We do not preach one thing and live another! We do not teach Divine Healing and then call in a doctor when we get sick! We do not teach Divine Healing and then resort to the rubbing god for healing, nor to a hot water god, nor to a cold water god: we trust God, Who is a Jealous God, and Who will not share His glory with another.

Zion Does Not Teach Faith Healing

There is no such thing as Faith Healing. Faith never healed anybody.

GOD IS THE HEALER!

You must have the faith, but God does the healing.

The healing comes from God, in the Name of Jesus, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

There is no such thing as Faith Healing!

There is no healing but DIVINE HEALING, and if God does not heal you, why, you will never be healed—yes, I will make one exception, for I want to follow the Word of God: *the devil heals*.

If the devil can get you to reject Christ; if he can get you to reject the teaching of the Word of God and worship him, then he can do this much: He is the author of sickness and disease; he is the one who does the binding—he can release his hold, which he does; and, as the Bible says, he will show forth signs and wonders that will deceive even the elect, if it were possible.

I tell you, I put the test!—Do YOU BELIEVE IN GOD?

"Oh, yes," a lot of people say, "I believe in God."

Do you believe in the God of the Bible?

"Oh, I believe God is a Principle."

Well, that is not the God of the Bible. The God of the Bible is a PERSON—and why? Because He creates!

A principle cannot create!

The God of the Bible loves; a principle cannot love!

The God of the Bible talks; a principle cannot talk!

The God of the Bible has all the Characteristics of a Personality

I am a personality; so are you!

You can talk, you can command, you can love, you can hate—those are the characteristics of a personality.

A principle cannot talk; a principle cannot walk; a principle cannot create; a principle cannot do anything!

You must believe in God; and then you must believe in Jesus the Christ—not the Unitarian Christ, but you must believe in Jesus the Christ, Who was God manifest in the flesh.

If you deny that Christ *has come* in the flesh, and that He is *coming* in the flesh, then you are Antichrist, according to the Bible. That is the plain declaration of the Word of God!

Then you must believe in the Holy Spirit!

You must believe that the Bible is the Inspired Word of God!

Now, then, let us take a general survey here, because I want to give you as much information as I can.

I have already exhorted you to have your own Bible, and to have a lead-pencil and mark the important passages; I have asked you to memorize the names of the books of the Bible, and to start in to study it.

I have placed on the blackboard here the heading, "Our Lord's Miracles."

In Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John there are recorded thirty-six miracles. Of these thirty-six, twenty-six are miracles of healing.

It does not follow that this number represents the entire number of healings that Jesus wrought, or a tithe, or a hundredth part of them; but there are recorded in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John twenty-six distinct narratives of healings wrought by Jesus the Christ.

In the book of Matthew, there are twenty recorded; in the book of Mark, eighteen; in Luke, twenty-one; in John, eight.

I want you to remember that Matthew, Mark, and Luke are called the Synoptic Gospels—taken from two Greek words meaning "taken together;" in other words, they present one

story—the life and ministry of Jesus; and that the Gospel of St. John is called the Supplementary Gospel, because it supplements, or supplies, what is lacking in the first three.

It is very important that you remember these things.

The Old and New Testaments Replete with Many Miracles

Now, then, in the Book of Matthew there are three miracles recorded that you do not find in any of the other books; in Mark there are two; in Luke, seven; in John, six.

You will notice that in John there are eight miracles recorded. Two of these are found in the other books; six of them are found in John only.

This is a general table which is easily committed, and which it is very nice to know. Every Christian ought to know it!

You will find that Jesus healed six persons of blindness, and that He raised three from the dead.

In passing, I may remark that in the Old Testament there are fifty miracles recorded, most of which are miracles of destruction. The ones in the New Testament are miracles of construction.

In the Old Testament, as in the New, there were three persons resurrected from the dead.

What does it mean to be resurrected from the dead? It is simply calling the immortal spirit back into the body. When the immortal spirit goes out of this body, the body is dead; it is lifeless; it is no longer animate; it is no longer inhabited.

The resurrection of the dead is simply summoning the spirit that has gone out of the body back into the body.

I want to go over some of these things hundreds of times. That is the way I learned them; and what I have learned, you can learn. All you have to do is to apply your minds to it. These things are as familiar to me as is the alphabet.

The Blessings Promised in God's Covenant of Divine Healing

I want to call your attention again to the Covenant of Divine Healing, which you will find in Exodus 15:26. We should memorize that, so that we can repeat it without any hesitation.

The Covenant of Divine Healing—what does it say?

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of—Whom?

PEOPLE: "The Lord thy God."

I do not want to hear any other voice than the voice of God!

—And wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes—

There are four things!

The first is—

PEOPLE: "Hearken."

How?

PEOPLE: "Diligently."

—To the voice of the Lord thy God—

That is the first thing, is it not? and the next thing is what?

PEOPLE: "And wilt do that which is right in His sight."

—And wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes—then what?

I will never permit you to be sick.

JEHOVAH-ROPHI—For I am the Lord Who healeth thee.

That is the Covenant of Divine Healing.

It takes two parties to make a contract, and there are two parties to a covenant.

In this Covenant of Divine Healing, God is the Party of the first part; we are the parties of the second part. Now, our part is to do these four things, and God's part is to keep us; and it goes without saying that when you and I do our part, there is no trouble about God doing His part.

It is just like God's promise in Malachi 3:8-12—that He will rebuke the devourer.

The Privilege of God's People to Test His Promises

Test Him out, and see whether He will or not.

You have plenty of opportunities to try God out and see whether He will rebuke the devourer or not.

God has promised in the Ninety-first Psalm that you will "see the reward of the wicked," and that no plague shall come nigh your dwelling.

Test Him out, and see whether it is true or false!

Test Him out!

There is the Covenant of Divine Healing—Exodus 15:26. I have done my part to acquaint you with this, and I trust that you will look it up in your Bible and will make a note of it.

The next thing that I want to say is this: DIVINE HEALING IS IN THE ATONEMENT which Jesus made on Calvary; and when you reject Divine Healing, you reject Christ; you reject the blood of Christ.

There are two references that I want to give you on this subject: Isaiah 53:4 and Matthew 8:16 and 17; and you cannot get around it.

Isaiah 53:4:

Surely He hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows—

Elder Huston, read Matthew 8:16 and 17:

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many who were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all who were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

All I have to say in regard to this is that the Bible plainly teaches that Jesus bore our sicknesses and our diseases upon Calvary, then when you do not take Jesus as your Healer and put your trust in God, you are rejecting the provision which God made upon Calvary; and that is a serious matter.

It is no wonder that such terrible conditions exist among the people, and that there is no deliverance for us, except as we get into God's Way and follow in it.

In the eight chapter of Matthew you have, in the first four verses, the story of the leper. There is one important point in that story, and that is this: The leper said, "Lord, if Thou wilt."

Now, then, it has been plainly revealed to you and to me in the Word of God that God has provided healing in the Atonement for us; therefore, when we pray, we have no right to say, "Lord, if Thou wilt."

We need to learn how to pray!

Some people think, "Why, it doesn't make any difference." It makes all the difference in the world!

How to pray!

To whom shall we pray?

Jesus Taught, that Prayer Must be Offered to the Father Only

There is just One to Whom we have a right to pray,—and we will not get an answer if we pray to anybody else—and that is, GOD THE FATHER. You have no right to pray to Jesus; you have no right to pray to the Holy Spirit.

In the Word of God, we are plainly taught that when we pray we are to say—what?

"Our Father!"

In Whose Name are we to pray?

In the Name of Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in accordance with Whose will?

God's will!

When you pray, you must pray in accordance with God's Word; and you must pray to the Father, in the Name of Jesus and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

That is the plain teaching of the Word of God!

There is no use arguing on anything else, because there is no proof in the Bible as clear as the teaching that prayer must be offered to God the Father; and the reason for that is simply this: "Father," "Son," and "Holy Spirit" are simply official titles, and One Person in the Godhead assumed the title of "Father," and another One, the title of "Son," and the other One, the title of "Comforter."

They are official titles!

They did not exist from the beginning; in the beginning, it was simply God in Three Persons; and when they said, "Let us make man in Our Image," it was the Three Persons in the Godhead in conference.

When the time came to lay the Plan of Redemption for

men, One assumed the title of "Father;" another, of "Son," and another, of "Comforter."

Therefore, when we say that God and Christ are equal, it is true—as members of the Godhead; but when Christ said, "My Father is greater than I," He told the truth, for God, as Father, is greater than God, as Son. It is just as plain as "two times two are four."

That is the reason Jesus said that when we pray we should say, "Our Father"—in the Name of Jesus the Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, in accordance with God's will.

When you pray for your own healing, or for the healing of your child, or of any loved one, and you wind up your prayer with, "If it be Thy will," you will get no answer.

It is God's will to save everybody, is it not? and it is God's will to heal everybody. Therefore, since it has been clearly revealed that it is God's will, you have no right to wind up your prayer, "If it be Thy will." When you do that, you have doubt in your heart.

Faith, the Result of Hearing the Word of God

You cannot get any answer to prayer where there is fear and where there is doubt. It is "according to your faith be it unto you." Of course, it would take several Tuesday afternoons to present the subject of Faith, but I will say here that you do not get faith by praying for it.

I will illustrate this: There sit Elder Huston and Evangelist Shumaker. Now, I get to know Elder Huston, and I prove that he is an honest, a truthful, an upright man,—and a Christian; and the more I learn of his life and of his good qualities, the greater faith I have in him.

Evangelist Shumaker (of course this is simply an illustration) there will not tell the truth; he will not pay his debts, and you cannot believe him, and so on and so forth; and the more I know of him, the less faith I have in him.

Now, then, what does Romans 10:17 say?

Faith cometh by—

PEOPLE: "Hearing."

And hearing by—

PEOPLE: "The Word of God."

—How shall they hear without a preacher?

And how shall they preach, except they be sent?—Romans 10:14, 15.

You people who are now in ZION and believe in Divine Healing—and some of you have been wonderfully healed, and you can testify to it—there was a time when you had no faith in God for healing, not an iota.

How did you happen to get faith?

John Alexander Dowie came to Chicago; you went to hear him, and he read to you the Word of God. He showed you that the devil was the author of sickness and disease, did he not? Before that, you thought God had given it to you, and you ran around all over Chicago to get some doctor to take away what God had put upon you. That is how inconsistent you were.

It seems to me that what God gives a man or a woman ought to be kept.

You people who will get Christmas presents will not be going around the next day hunting for some one to take them back to the people who gave them to you, will you? Well, now, if God gives you the rheumatism, why not thank Him for it and keep it, and ask Him for more?

You had to learn that, did you not? Then you were shown the Covenant of Divine Healing, and you were taught that God is the Healer; and you had faith in God for healing, and you threw away your drugs and all trust in the arm of flesh and put your trust in God; you believed that God would hear and answer prayer.

That is the way you get faith—not by praying for it!

Now, you want to be free from that awful cancer, or consumption, or rheumatism, or deafness, or blindness, or whatever it is, do you not?

A Determined Effort Must be Put Forth to Remove Every Hindrance

I say to you, first of all: So far as you know your heart,

is there any hindrance between you and God? Is there any sin in your life that you are hiding and covering up that would keep God from answering prayer? If, after studying a minute, your answer is, "Yes; there is;" I ask you, "What is it?"

"Well, I was married when I was twenty-one, and we lived together about five years; then I fell in love with some girl, and I left my wife, and got a divorce on trumped-up grounds, then I married the girl."

I say you are an adulterer and she is an adulteress, according to the plain declarations of Jesus the Christ!

What you have to do is to make that right!

Or perhaps you say: "I worked down here in a certain store, and I took fifty dollars out of the till;" or, "I went from Chicago to Indianapolis, and the conductor overlooked me, and I kept the ticket;" and there are many other things you might say.

You have to repent and make it right!

That is what I mean by a hindrance!

The Bible says:

He who covereth his sins shall not prosper—Proverbs 28:13.

If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me.—Psalm 56:18.

Now, after you have put these things right, or made a vow that you will put them right, you can be prayed for.

The Believer Must Have the Assurance of Answered Prayer

Then I say to you: Do you believe that when I lay hands on you and pray, God will hear and answer that prayer, and that you will go on your way rejoicing? And you hesitate a minute and say, "Well, I don't know about that; I don't know whether I could say that or not."

If I were to say to you, "I am going to give you ten dollars tomorrow," would you believe it, Elder Richert?

ELDER RICHERT: "Yes, sir."

Well, we believe each other, and we put confidence in each other; but how much confidence do we put in God our Heavenly Father?

I want to tell you the first wonderful experience I ever had in praying.

I do not remember the time when I did not pray, nor when I did not read the Bible, although I know the time came when I was definitely converted and "born again"—and when I say that I do not remember the time when I did not pray nor read the Bible, I do not mean by that that I was perfect, or am perfect; by no means!

I can remember the time when I prayed about everything. When I was a little boy, I had a pocket knife; and, like most boys, I used to lose it. The first thing I would do would be to get off into a corner of the barn and ask God to help me find it; and I believed just as truly that when I asked God to help me find it, that settled it; and if I needed anything, I always went to God in prayer. I am trying now to get to that place again. I believe I have, in a measure; and I can see something of what Jesus meant when He said:

Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.—Matthew 18:3.

Why, a little child is the most innocent and the sweetest thing on earth — unassuming, perfectly natural, no affectation, with implicit confidence and unwavering faith. There is where you and I have to get—just where we were when we were little children.

A Childlike, Humble Spirit the Rightful Attitude for Blessing

A bishop of the Methodist church who stayed in the Twelfth Street Home, and who had been there for several days and had seen humble people come into the Assembly Room and be prayed for and receive their healing, got up one morning and said: "How is it that these humble people come in here and get their healing, while I get nothing? I know what the trouble is: I know too much. I have too much learning. I am not childlike enough. These humble people who come in here from the little towns and country districts know enough to read their Bibles, and that is about all they do know. They come like little children, and they get the blessing and go home; while I get nothing."

You have to become like a little child!

I well remember how my little brother was given up to die with pneumonia. They had several doctors; and at last they packed him up in cotton. Then one of the doctors said to my father and mother, "There is no need for me to come back; the child will not live till morning."

I was just a little boy, and I asked for the privilege of staying with him while my mother and father went to bed. I prayed all night, and God healed him—and He healed him instantly. It was wonderful!

That was a wonderful experience to me in my boyhood days, and I saw then something of what it means to exercise faith in God.

Oh, what a beautiful thing it would be for you to get to the place where you have unwavering confidence in God!

I have to trust God for a good many things. I am at the head of a work which, if I just took my eye off of God for five minutes, that would cause me to sink. I have to find vast sums of money for this work. I not only deal in thousands, but in hundreds of thousands of dollars; and if I did not have faith in God, I would not last five minutes.

I could tell you some interesting things. I could show you check-books, used during my ministry in Australia, where I have written checks taking the last penny I had; and on the stub of the check I have written, "Prayed, 9:30 A. M.," on such and such a date; and I can show you evidences which prove that God answered those prayers literally.

I remember once when I stationed an officer in the city of Sydney that it took eighteen pounds, six shillings; and on the stub of the check is written the notation of prayer. In the first mail that I received on my return from Sydney was a letter containing a check for eighteen pounds, six shillings.

God Has Promised to Supply All our Needs through Christ Jesus

Every fortnight in this church I have to find large sums of money—and the church has nothing to do with the Commercial Department. In one day, I wrote out checks for almost two thousand dollars. I went to God in special prayer, and I made a specific prayer. You know, we pray when we get "up against it." It is sad to say it, but it is true of most people: they pray when they are in a storm, or when danger threatens.

I never complain of anything I have to face, no matter what it is. I go right on trusting God.

I made a special prayer to God, and He answered. On Monday morning, when the figures were presented to me, they showed that God had literally answered.

How does He answer?

Well, He answers by moving upon people, by the Holy Spirit, to assist in the maintenance and extension of His KINGDOM.

God tells people to give money—if not in an audible voice, by the Holy Spirit.

When I tell you this, I am simply illustrating in passing what it means to trust in God. And it is just the same with everything. When I have been in jail, I have trusted God; when I have been hunted and persecuted and mobbed, I have trusted God; and I have never had a hair of my head harmed.

I have been in places where the people who looked on said I would never come out except piece by piece, but I have come out whole. In every case where they have tried to put me in prison, I have won out.

I cannot tell you how I have done it, except that God helps me.

Now, the principle of trusting God is the same in everything.

Faith in God Excludes All Fear of Failure

What a beautiful thing it is to get to the place where you trust God absolutely! You know, a great many people have never learned much about resting in God.

How beautiful to trust God to do everything, and not to bother about anything! Go on and do your part, and trust God implicitly.

The rank and file of the people live in mortal fear. They are full of fear, and they are full of trouble and full of worries.

There are hundreds who are sick today because of worry. There are lovely people who are lying in their beds today because they have no faith in God. They look on the dark side

of everything, and their whole conversation is on the dark side.

I have often told this—and I will never forget it: I was in Shiloh Tabernacle one night when there was a terrible storm raging. It was so dark that you could not see your hand before you, and there was the most terrific lightning and thunder. A father stood there with his little boy near him, and they waited for over an hour. After a while, the storm abated a little, and then the father said to the little boy, "Now we will start out home;" and I shall never forget how that little boy looked up at his father and grabbed his hand.

He felt perfectly secure in going out of that Tabernacle holding his father's hand.

Why can we not trust God in the same way?

That is the plain teaching of the Bible, and there is where Divine Healing comes in; there is where trusting God for everything comes in!

Trusting God!

What power there is in prayer!—but prayer has to be based upon faith, and faith has to be based upon a consecrated life.

May God sanctify the precious Word of God to you!

You know, what I have, I say everybody can have.

I do not say that I know it all, although I know a great many things that I did not know a year or ten years ago.

I see some of the laws of God which I never saw before, and I know the secret of health, the secret of life, and the secret of happiness.

I do not care what you have to face nor what you have to go through, if your faith is unshaken in the Eternal God, you will always come up smiling.

Men and women who do not live the life of faith are very miserable.

God Not the Afflicter of His People

Now, then, why do people write in from many different parts of the world and thousands rise and testify, after they have been to a few ZION meetings: "Oh, I have a new God?"

People are delighted to find out that it was not God Who destroyed their little boy or girl, or the father, or the wife, or the husband;—that it was not God Who brought this terrible calamity.

How happy they are to know that it was not a Kind, Loving Father Who did these things! They have been taught that, but it is a lie!

That teaching has made many people infidels.

We have a number of people in ZION who used to be infidels. Mr. Krueger, of Cincinnati, was an infidel, although he was a Presbyterian for many years.

Who made him an infidel?

A Presbyterian minister!

How did he do it?

After they had cut little Charlie all to pieces, the wretched surgeon had him in his arms, and his apron was spattered in blood. He handed him back to his family and said, "Take him home; he will die." There was a hole in the back of his ear into which I could put my little finger. Charlie is a young man now, and in business.

A Presbyterian minister called at their house, and what did he say? He told them that God had afflicted Charlie. Mr. Krueger said, "I cannot believe in such a God," and he opened the door of the stove and threw his Bible into the fire.

A ZION worker was preaching on a street-corner in Cincinnati; Krueger was standing there, and he heard him. He heard something he had never heard before—that God is love; that God does not give people consumption and cancer; that God does not cut people to pieces.

Zion Teaches that Satan Afflicts and Binds Humanity

He came to ZION Tabernacle—I shall never forget it. The next Sunday, he brought Charlie. I took him in my arms and held him up before the audience, and I turned him around and pulled his ear back to show them how the doctors had left him. There was not a dry eye in that house.

We anointed him and prayed for him, and you know what God has done for him. Some of you have seen Charlie Krueger.

Then that father gave his heart to God. He gave up drink, and he was so anxious to do everything that was right and to

obey God that he came to the Tabernacle and brought his night-clothes—the first garments that he picked up—and asked me to let him put them on and be baptized. I told him to go ahead, and he did—and there wasn't a dry eye in the audience that day. I saw all that family wonderfully saved.

Take the story of that lady in California. A ZION woman found her crying while traveling on a train on the Pacific Coast. She went over to her and, putting her arms around her neck, asked her what she was weeping about. She told her about the death of her companion, saying that she was now an infidel because they had told her that God had done it.

She went on to San Francisco, and Elder Taylor kept in touch with her. He gave her ZION literature, and she came out of her darkness and into the light.

When you hear Jesus say: "Ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day?" how can you believe anything else?

It was SATAN who did it!

In Acts 10:38, you are told that all whom Jesus healed were "oppressed of the DEVIL." It is the devil who afflicts the people: it is not God; and every time a man says it is God, he lies!

I have met scores of infidels—in fact, I should have been an infidel myself if God had permitted such a thing, and had I not come in contact with ZION.

I began preaching when I was sixteen years old, as an evangelist. I preached for different churches, and then I preached in Albany, New York; then at York Harbor, Maine. At last the day came when I grew sick and disgusted with the whole business—and one thing that brought the crisis was this: One Sunday morning, the Sunday School lesson was the story of the widow woman and the meal and oil, and at the close they asked me to review it.

The God of Elijah Still Works Miracles in Zion

"Well," I thought to myself, "I have seen a new light. When I get through with this review, you probably won't want me to have anything to do with this church any longer."

I arose and said: "You have read this morning the story of Elijah and the widow woman with her barrel of meal and cruse of oil. It is a wonderful story, but I have no interest in it at all—none whatever. I do not care to read it; I do not care to bother with it. What do I care about an old widow woman who lived thousands of years ago?"

My, but they were shocked! They didn't know what was coming! I made it just as strong as possible, and then I continued:

"—Unless that widow woman's God is my God, and today He can replenish the barrel of meal and the cruse of oil as He did then!"

Then you should have seen them!

"I thank God," I said, "that I have a new light. I have been reading Dr. Dowie's sermons."

They were brought to me by a lady of that city who had been on a visit to Cincinnati, and I read that paper until I wore it out.

I said to those people: "I thank God that He never changes, and that Jesus Christ is 'the same yesterday, and today, and forever.'"

That is what I learned when I came in contact with ZION. God, you know, was preparing me. I did not know it and I did not understand it, but it was a part of my experience.

I went on and preached my sermon the next Sunday morning, and at last they decided to starve me to death. They took all my income away; but that did not make any difference—I went right on and did my duty. The next day, an infidel came to me and said, "If you will preach as you preached yesterday, I will give you a silver dollar every Monday morning."

A lady whom I had never met, and who had never heard me preach before—sent me a twenty-dollar bill.

In a few weeks, at the Sunday night meeting, the church would not hold the people. More money came into my hands than before.

God's Word is true!

I saw a new light, and I thank God that I followed that light!

Zion's Teaching Unfolds Many Wonderful Things from the Bible

— In Australia and New Zealand, and in this country, I have had the joy of seeing many wonderful things.

Now, then, God is no respecter of persons.

Here is the great city of Chicago, in which there are two millions of people. One of the hardest things I have ever done is to be away from ZION CITY. When a man has an organization under him such as I have, with a lovely choir and pipe organ and beautiful surroundings, for which I have worked day and night, it is hard to leave them and come to Chicago. But it is going to do the work!

Where is the voice in Chicago today to condemn evil in low and high places, without fear and without favor?

You tell me that there are no people in Chicago who want the Gospel?

You tell me that there are no people in Chicago who will receive the message of ZION?

I know better!

I know that there are people in Chicago who, after having been to a few ZION meetings and having read ZION Literature and compared it with the Bible, and after having read the sermons and looked up the references, will exclaim, in a moment of ecstasy, "A New God! A New Bible! Life has a new charm!"

Oh, what a happy experience it is to know how to love and to trust God, and to live for Him! That is what ZION's teaching is like.

A gentleman said to me: "I understand it all; the only difference between you people and the other churches is, you trust God for EVERYTHING."

That is just exactly what we do—trust God for everything!

That is what a little child does.

I will tell you another thing that has often impressed me—and you mothers have had that experience many a time: A little child will come to you and say, "Mama, I want some bread and butter."

"Go away now; I'm too busy. I can't bother with you!"

Does that put a stop to his prayer?

No! In about two minutes you feel a little tug at your skirt. You look down there, and you have half a mind to be angry when he says again, "Mama, can't I have some bread and butter?"

"Go away now; mama's busy. I haven't time to bother with you." And that child will keep at it until at last you say, "Oh, dear me, I might just as well get up and give it to him;" and you do.

Persevering, Prevailing Prayer Obtains the Blessing Sought For

Now, if you want to get your healing, go up to God's storehouse and knock—and don't you ever leave there until the door is opened. That is what the Word of God says:

"Ask, and it shall be given you, seek, and ye shall find; KNOCK, AND IT SHALL BE OPENED UNTO YOU.—Matthew 7:7.

Then Jesus Christ tells the story of the man who, one night when he had a visitor, went to his friend's house and knocked at the door, saying that he wanted to borrow three loaves of bread; but the friend said, "Well, I have gone to bed. The children are here with me asleep, and I don't want to wake them. I don't want to be bothered!"

But he kept on knocking, until at last the man got up and gave him what he needed.

Now, do not give God any rest, day or night, until He gives you what you need—not what you want; and He will give it to you. If you are in need of any blessing, never let up until you get it!

Keep right on!

Never falter!

The worst thing in this world is not to fall down, but it is, after having fallen, to lie there!

The worst thing is not to sin—although it is a terrible thing; but it is a worse thing to sin and then to refuse to repent and get right.

There are hundreds of people in ZION today who can testify to healing; and they will tell you how they got it—they got it by going right straight after it, and never letting up. That is the only thing to do!

Take the plain Word of God—stay by it, and LIVE IT!

We have undertaken a great work in Chicago, brethren. In two years' time, you will be surprised at what has been accomplished. Some of you may be in jail before that, and they may kill some of you. They threaten to do it now.

Do not be afraid! Your lives are in God's hands. Every hair of your head is numbered. God knows all about it. Every man is immortal until his work is done, and if you have a work to do for God, go on and do it.

If you have to go to jail for preaching the Gospel in Chicago, go to jail! That is all right. I spent five nights in jail, in a cell.

If God permits them to kill you, you will go to Heaven all the quicker—and it is a better place than Chicago any time. Go with your heart running over with love for humanity. Die for them! They will come to see that you are their friend.

I know that ZION's work will save many a sweet little child from being polluted with vaccination, and it will save many lives.

If it had not been for the accursed vaccination, the mothers of those two children who sleep in the cemetery in West Hammond, and whose hearts are sad and broken, would hear tonight the sound of their children's feet coming homeward; they would see them sitting at the supper-table, and they would hear their gleeful voices in play.

Vaccination murdered them!

If I can save one little child, or one mother's heart from being broken, it will be worth more to me than if I made ten millions of dollars.

That is the work in which we are engaged!

Zion's Mission to Give Out the Gospel Message to Others

Now, go out in the streets and lanes and invite the people to the meetings. That is your part!

I have been a farmer. I have gone into a hazel brush field where there was nothing but hazel brush, blackberry briars, and snakes; and I have cleaned up acre after acre of that field. I have plowed and harrowed it, and I have planted corn in it; then I have husked ears of corn as big as pieces of stove-wood.

My part was to cut the brush, kill the snakes, plow and harrow the field, and put the corn in; and then cultivate it. God gave the sunshine, the rain, the dew, and so on.

Now, our part is to rent this building—which I do at a cost of over five thousand dollars a year—and invite the people to the meetings.

I have spent, in house to house work during the months of October and November, over two thousand dollars; but God will send it back. That is why it is given to us—that we may spend it to preach the Gospel.

Sow the seed!

"Oh," you say, "It is hard work!"

Never mind!

Do you see that woman walking along the street in San Francisco—downcast, in trouble? She passes an alley; why, she does not know—God knew. She sees a piece of paper sticking out of a garbage can, and for some reason she stops and pulls it out. What is it? It is a piece of LEAVES OF HEALING!

Do you see that man in an office? He looks at a wastepaper basket and sees a paper sticking there; he picks it out, and it is LEAVES OF HEALING.

I had a letter from Canada three or four months ago, and in it it stated that a person had picked up just one-third of a page of LEAVES OF HEALING, and it had the name and address on it.

Why, you never know!

Some one may curse you, and some one else may tear the message up—never mind about that. Sow the seed beside all waters.

Let us sow Chicago Knee-deep with Literature!

Why, brethren, you are engaged in a great work. You will see the harvest!

After a while, you will see the people coming into the fold of ZION, and you see people ready for baptism. I know what I am talking about.

I have preached on the North Side of this city—you have heard the story; I have preached in Cincinnati; I have preached

in Australia, where I received hundreds of applications for membership in this church, and sent hundreds of men, and women, and children to ZION CITY.

You tell me that God has no people in this city? I KNOW He has!

Chicago is the City of Destiny, and God has a People Here

Give them the light, and never be discouraged!

Think how I went away, ten thousand miles from here. Have you ever been ten thousand miles from home—where everybody and everything looked different? Some of our people have come here from Australia, and I went from here to Australia.

I went right into the heart of Melbourne—a city of over six hundred thousand people, ten thousand miles away from home—and stood up and preached to fifteen men and women.

I shall never forget it!

You have seen some of the audiences I preached to in Australia, have you not, Evangelist Minter? You know something of what God did there.

Some people cannot work on a little thing; it has to be a big thing.

I am at the head of a *big thing*, but I have had to work hard. There is some enjoyment in it when you start in at the bottom round and climb up to the top of the ladder.

I have done it many times—and then got down to the bottom and climbed to the top again. That is a part of the training.

Do not be afraid to work!

One man—a former member of ZION—was asked by an officer in the Administration Building at ZION CITY to carry a lot of files up to the garret. He informed the officer that he was not there for that purpose, at which the officer said, "Well, the General Overseer does it." The night before, I had worked for hours doing the same thing.

Do not be afraid to get your hands dirty!

When I was in Melbourne, I cleaned the hall until I was so dirty that it took me an hour to get clean enough to venture outside the building.

Do anything—scrub or sweep; it won't hurt you!

I am not afraid to crawl on my hands and knees; and that is the reason I have all these things.

Why, God has put into my hands so much that I cannot take care of it.

Never get the swell-head!

I am just the same now as I was when I was a farmer boy in Indiana.

The Greater You Get, the More Humble you Need to be!

It is work that counts; and I will tell you, if you go to work in Chicago and you are willing to die for the people, you will see thousands brought to ZION.

You want to see people healed, do you not?

Well, how do you get them healed? By sitting around in a rocking-chair? You get them healed by getting out and giving them the literature, and by inviting them to the meetings.

I will do the preaching—and you do your part.

A lady from Canada was here a few Lord's Days ago, and she brought her brother, who is a member of the Methodist Church, but he uses tobacco. He heard that hot sermon—and what did he say when he went out? He said, "Mr. Voliva told the truth; he is right. A man who chews tobacco has no right to teach boys in a Sunday School."

I was right!

Suppose I had delivered one of these high-flown, oratorical addresses—word-painting, you know; and I can do it by the mile—why, he would have gone home and said, "That was a lovely sermon—beautiful oratory;" but he would not have been blessed.

A well-dressed lady was sitting in the audience last Sunday, and when I spoke about gum-chewing you should have seen her shut her jaws. She will never forget that!

I do not like to see a lady chewing gum. I do not think it is becoming; and in the house of God I think it is very wicked.

I do not like to see a woman carrying a dog around. I have seen well-dressed women kissing them, and I always feel sorry for the dog!

I love to see a woman kissing a sweet little child, but think of a woman lavishing her affections on a dog!

Think of dogs in this city with nickel-plated bath-rooms! Think of dogs eating out of silver spoons and wearing diamond necklaces!

I am going to hit that subject until what I say will ring around the world; and I hope and pray to God that I can reach the hearts of some of these women, and help them to see the thousands of half-starved, half-naked little children in this city.

Then when I pass away, I will have the pleasure of knowing that I have done the best I could, and that I have done a little good in the world.

We want to get people saved!

A gentleman who was in one of my meetings said to one of his friends, when talking of a church in this city, "I would like to hear something hot!"

"Well," his friend said, "go down and hear Voliva."

He came to hear me, and he said afterwards: "That is what I have been longing to hear for years! I have been a drinker, a tobacco soak, and everything else that is bad and low-down, and you have set me to thinking."

Multitudes On their Way to Destruction and Hell

They are going to hell by the thousands in this city, notwithstanding all these lovely essays and oratorical sermons, are they not?

What they need is the Gospel!

Think of the Chicago newspapers advertising smoking gowns for ladies! There are places in this city where you will find scores of women smoking cigarettes.

You do not know what there is in this city.

One gentleman told me that he could take me to one place in a large city and show me a thousand society women smoking cigarettes in one evening.

How would you like to see a thousand women smoking cigarettes?

I have seen only one woman smoking—of course, with the exception of old grandmothers. I don't know how it is nowadays, but it used to be that all the old grandmothers around the country smoked a pipe.

I saw one woman smoking, and that was in a Hotel in New York. She sat in that dining room and smoked a cigarette, and blew the smoke out of her nose. It was a most revolting sight.

You have no idea how it looked; but it is a common thing.

Look at the high school girls who smoke cigarettes—and you would be astounded if you knew how many of them do it.

Some Sunday afternoon in the Coliseum I will take the lid off Chicago, and show them Chicago just as it is; and I will be able to back up everything I say, for I expect to see every nook and corner of Chicago. I do not intend that one crack or crevice of this city shall escape my eyes when I get ready to go through it.

Now, then, we have a Great God—a Kind, Loving Father. Who looks down upon Chicago today.

Jesus Christ wept only three times—He wept over Jerusalem, He wept in the Garden of Gethsemane, and He wept with Mary and Martha.

He said, "O Jerusalem! Jerusalem!"

What about Chicago?

O Chicago!

Terrible Conditions of Vice and Crime in Chicago

Think of 6,657 house burglaries in Chicago in eight months, according to the police reports! I want you to think of that!

How many do you think were murdered in this city last year? Three hundred and sixty-seven! That makes one for every day of the year—and that is only those that were reported. A lot of people are murdered in this city, and nobody knows anything about it.

When Tolstoi said that cities were of the devil and a menace to civilization, he told the truth.

There are some lovely people in Chicago, and then there is an aggregation of the worst elements that can be found, even if you were to search the earth with a fine-tooth comb.

Now, then, let ZION's voice ring throughout the city!

Let every house be reached!

May God help us to translate ZION's message into Polish,

Italian, German, and all the different languages, and give the people the message in their own tongue!

Let us all look up and go forward!

Pray at the family altar, and never let a word of criticism come out of your mouth. When you are criticising, you are only wasting your time and breath—don't you know that?

Read the Word of God! It will be strong food for your spirits, and it will bless you in your bodies, too!

Give your hearts to God and live for Him! That is the proper thing; the only thing.

Murmuring Never Hurts Any One but the Man or Woman who Murmurs

Always look up!

I do not believe in going around with my face to the ground. That is all right for a pig, but it is not the way for a man or a woman to do.

Look up!

Have a smile on your face!

Scatter sunshine, and be brave and true and bold!

God made a beautiful world for us—let us help to make it more beautiful.

You look just as you live!

You know the song, "Look and live!" do you not?

If you live like a snapping turtle, you will look like one; if you live like a cat or a dog, you will look like one!

If you live a beautiful, sweet, harmonious life, people will be able to see it in your eyes. Do you know that?

Sin and righteousness are always at work carving statues.

Oh, sin is the greatest sculptor in the world; it carves out more statues than anything else in the world. Do you not see them by the tens of thousands in Chicago—with their red noses, sunken eyes, hollow cheeks? Sin has carved them out!

Righteousness is a sculptor, too!

You will reap as you sow!

The thing for you to do is to set yourself in a corner three times a day and give yourself a good lecture.

Begin in the morning with prayer, and say, "Lord, help me to live to please Thee for half a day; that is all I can venture. Even with your help, I cannot undertake more than half a day at a time."

Then, if you get through till noon, ask God to help you through the rest of the day; and when you lie down at night review the day.

Some days, you may not like to review!

If you get up in the morning snapping and growling at everything—kick the chair over, knock the looking-glass down, slap Johnny and knock a tooth out, growl at the breakfast, and snap because dinner is two minutes late—then when night comes, you will not like to review your day, will you?

Divine Keeping is Better than Divine Healing!

How beautiful it is to be kept by power Divine!

The Psalmist says, "Praise thy God, O ZION!" I preached on that Thanksgiving Day.

"Praise thy God, O ZION!"

ZION has a different God from other people—a God Who does not make people sick; a God Who is not full of cancer and consumption, but Who is pure and holy and good—that is ZION's God!

"Praise thy God, O ZION!"

"Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in ZION."

When you get the Christian religion, then it makes this whole life beautiful and bright and happy; and it lightens up the whole world and all eternity for you. Do you not know that?

Is it not much nicer to live that way than it is to live the other way?

That is what ZION teaches—everything that is good; and we not only teach it, but we PRACTICE IT!

Of course, there is not perfection in ZION—although I meet perfect (?) people once in a while. We have them come to ZION CITY. They stay around there for a time, and then say, "Oh, I am terribly disappointed."

"What is the trouble?"

"Oh, well, I see some things here that I don't like."

"Well," I say, "you can't expect anything else. The people here are just like other people. They are flesh and blood. They are just like you—they are very imperfect."

We are always looking at the other fellow, aren't we? He sees our defects, and we see his.

Why not look for something good, and then talk about that?

Scatter Sunshine! Scatter Life! Scatter Love!

Then when people meet you, they will say: "I am so glad I met that person. He just seemed to do so much good."

Now, that is ZION's teaching!

Be kind to everybody!

Have a good, big heart, full of the love of God!

Do good wherever you go!

Remember that you were once in ignorance and darkness, and that now you know some things that you would not have known if some one had not brought them to you.

Give everybody else the same opportunity. That is the way to do.

I am very glad to see you and to talk to you this afternoon.

You know, one of the interesting things to me in these meetings is, the length of time the people sit and listen. Now, you have been here two hours and twenty minutes, and on Lord's Day afternoon you were here for three hours.

That is the way it goes—you get lost in the Master's service; and it is glorious.

It is good to be here!

God is here to bless!

I have seen some in these meetings who have not come back. I remember one lady who was here. She was going blind from a cataract. I gave her every kindness and every encouragement, and said: "Now, I want you to come back next Tuesday; I want to pray with you; I want to help you." She is not here. But there is healing for her, if she will only get down in earnest before God.

It is the same way with that sister who has paralysis—there is healing for her.

There is healing for all; but first of all you have to be given the teaching. Then you have to get right with God.

You must get to the right place before you can get anything from God.

As I have said already, I know what I am talking about.

You take the direction; you follow faithful leadership and have the right spirit, and be earnest in prayer, and work and PRAY, and the Holy Spirit will work wonders here.

Conductor and Mrs. Thomas then sang a selection, entitled, "LORD, TEACH US HOW TO PRAY."

GENERAL OVERSEER: Let all stand, please.

Almighty God, our Father Who art in Heaven, we thank Thee for this afternoon service. We thank Thee for all present. We praise Thee for Thy Precious Word. We bless Thee for Jesus the Christ and for the Blessed Holy Spirit.

O God, touch every heart! Thou knowest, Father, our part. Help us to perform it. Bless this work in this great city, and may joy and peace and happiness be brought into many homes and into many hearts.

Bless those who go, and those who stay. Prepare us for the meeting on the coming Lord's Day afternoon. O God, move mightily upon this city. Inspire me with the message which Thou wouldst have delivered. Bless those who sing, and each and every one who shall take part. Guide us by Thy Word and Spirit. In Jesus' Name and for His sake. Amen.

BAPTISMS

The following-named Believers were baptized by Triune Immersion, "Into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

In SHANGHAI, CHINA, by Elder Carl F. Viking, July 23, 1916:
Mr. Kyung Iah-Eu Shanghai
Mr. Taen Ming-Tch Shanghai

In Central ZION Tabernacle, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, April 29, 1916:
Enders, Roy Illinois
Miller, Mrs. Fairy Illinois
Schleipt, Mrs. Dora Illinois
Schlick, Edward C. Illinois

Conference of the Devil and His Imps on the Destruction of Zion City

By
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HAVING gathered his imps around him, Satan addressed them as follows:

"My reason for calling you together at this time is the fact that we are face to face with a very serious problem in connection with the carrying out of the determination which I have had for years, as you well know, to destroy ZION CITY, which is such a serious menace to my Kingdom on the Earth.

"In the conference which we had at the time when we first heard that the place was to become something more than mere talk, I warned you that you must see to it that no stone was left unturned in your efforts to blot it from off the face of the Earth.

"I called upon you to consider the unceasing efforts that I have put forth all down through the ages to establish my position as God of this World, and my success in all the cities that then stood, and what a source of hatred it was to me to think that a city might be built in which Jehovah should be praised and served.

"You will also recall that at that time I laid before you plans which it seemed to us all could not fail to make it a hiss and a by-word. Your instructions to work along certain lines you obeyed faithfully, although it is true that you raised the question whether it would be possible to get human beings low down enough to turn around and do our bidding after going in there with the professed intention of giving every dollar and every drop of their blood to make it a true ZION CITY, (how I hate that very name and would like to blot it out).

"I brought to your remembrance the case of Judas and how he had served us and further told you that it did not matter in your choosing agents for this particular work if they put every other sin out of their lives, as long as you saw to it that they still held on to the love for money; because with a little judicious work on your part in this particular direction you would have them, like Judas was, ready to sell Jesus the Christ for thirty pieces of silver. Your work in that direction was repaid even beyond my most sanguine hopes for even I did not suppose that men could be found low down enough to do what some of those fellows have done, and for this I commend you.

"While I am on this subject, I will mention the instructions I gave you to use the *desire for power*, to work the same result on others, where you thought that this might work better than the love of money. On this point, also, one of you raised a question, but I reminded you of how this had been my own downfall, so that I know from experience just what that thing can do for the one who gives way to it. You are surely satisfied with the results achieved along this particular line. How we danced for glee to see a man who was once an Overseer welcoming in those fellows from Chicago with their pool-room and all the rest of the stuff with which we supplied them from Hell! How we did rejoice to see the way in which our tools were working day and night to accomplish our ends! and it seemed as though the day was in sight when it should be a wide open town, and I should reign as King in it. We surely did have a great time there after those fellows stole the elections; you will all agree to that.

"The one trouble through the whole fight has been that fellow they call Voliva. I used to laugh when he would bring his fist down and say, 'The ZION Flag shall float over every foot of ZION CITY Site, by the help of God.' It seemed like hot air then; and so many times we thought we had him down and out, and our tools there used to wink at one another and say, 'Yes, we have got him this time,' and we got all ready to have a great jollification meeting when the job was completed.

"You can never forget what a blow it was to us when he got the Stores, how mad we all were. He certainly put one over on us that time. Then, when he bought the estate, we thought we had him for sure. It seemed to us as though he must fall down on the payments, and these tools of ours almost held their breath waiting for him to do so; but he has not done it so far, and I may as well tell you frankly that I don't expect him to now.

"Another line of attack that it seems to me we might as well abandon has to do with the elections. That knock-out blow which we got this year fairly staggered me and the world is laughing at us and calling us fools for our pains. Of course, I had to hurry up and tell those poor dupes of ours that they would get it all back some time, because I was afraid they would get discouraged and throw up the whole thing in disgust.

"Having failed in the past to accomplish our ends, and as the outlook is, in some ways, very gloomy indeed, I have decided to order a change in the methods of our work and whilst still using our old tools whenever opportunity presents itself, yet in the main to depend for results on choosing from amongst those ZION people, certain individuals who profess to be ZION but, who I see more and more clearly are really the very best workers that I have, for the simple reason that most of their work is done on the inside; whereas these other tools are compelled to work from the outside.

"Now, there are some points on which I desire to have special attacks made, for instance in connection with his taking to himself another helpmate. That is bad business for us, because I plainly foresee that she will help him in a hundred ways in his fight against us; so do not fail to have our agents on the inside.

"Say all the ugly and mean things that you can lay your tongues to, because maybe you can affect her, if not both of them. You can rest assured that I shall do my part to see to it that your tools, in this matter, get their full reward in Hell, for this is only right. Think of what it means to have them helping in the fight to down the only man whom God has called to lead the hosts of ZION against us!!

"Another matter that must be attended to at once has to do with those ZION Schools, which he appears determined to establish. Do you realize what that will mean to us should he succeed in his purpose? Think of the children going to school every day where the Bible and ZION Literature are used for text books!—Why, it would make our task of leading them away from God infinitely harder; for I depend to quite a considerable extent on the text books that they use now to do that work for me. And you know that, apart from the Bible, there is nothing that I hate like I do that ZION Literature. Why the harm that it has done to my Kingdom is almost enough to make a fiend weep, and right here I adjure you to make use of every possible means to keep it out of the hands of people, and hinder the spreading of it.

"Now, I especially desire you to enlist as many parents as you possibly can in the fight against these ZION Schools, and think of the reward that will be yours, should you succeed in preventing the starting of these schools, if only for another year.

"Think of the fiendish joy of dragging that boy or girl, which they think so much of, right down to hell before their eyes, and when they wring their hands and cry, 'Oh! I did not think it would mean that!' You can be sure it will make all the demons in Hell dance with delight over your victory.

"Now, I come to a matter which may not at first sight appear to have much bearing on the upbuilding of ZION CITY, but which really is of the greatest importance right along that line. I refer to the General Overseer's campaign in Chicago. If he continues the tactics, which he has been using down there for the past seven months, he is bound to stir up that City. And let him once succeed in doing that we will feel the effects of it in every land under the Sun and people all over the world will inquire the way to ZION, with their faces thitherward.

"It would not matter so much if he were not such a man for advertising. I thought I was all right when I got my agents in the newspaper offices to refuse to print his subjects. But look what he is doing with those NOTICES!—Really, in some ways I dread the effect of those notices more than I do the effect of his preaching, for the simple reason that they reach such a multitude of people, and I can see that they are having their weight, too. Think, for instance, of a Jew taking those notices, and mailing

them out to his friends. I tell you it is high time we got busy.

"You must do everything in your power to discourage those fellows who are putting out those notices and try and get them to quit the job—by the way, I have another object in that, too, because it is a sure thing that if they are not faithful in that which is least, they will never be intrusted with the greater things, and so we will be practically done with them for good and all. Whilst it is quite true that they do not amount to much at present, yet it is equally true that there is no telling just what they may attain to if they continue true and steadfast, always abounding in the Work of the Lord. So I advise you to get rid of them if it is at all possible.

"It will be necessary, too, to do some work in connection with the Chicago members. See to it they do little if anything in connection with the notices. I do not like the interest that some of them are taking in the work.

"Another way that may have its effect on this campaign of his in Chicago is to get the people to withdraw their investments from the Institutions out there in ZION CITY, in order to spend them on their own pleasures. Of course, it is only just one here and there that you can persuade to do that, because we must admit that they are, for the most part, really seeking to build up the Institutions. But still, every one that we can get to play traitor means another victory for us, and that much more hindrance to the up-building of THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

"Here is another point that must be attended to with greater diligence than ever has been done in the past, because it is of the highest importance to us, and that is to get as many of them as possible to steal their tithes. Of course, when talking to them about it, you quite often have to use the expression, 'Borrow the tithes;' but it means the same thing, so it is all right. You know I do not care what term they use in referring to it. The important point is this, that just as soon as you succeed in getting a man to steal his tithes, you hand him over as being an unbeliever and a liar. And as we are told that all such have their part in the Lake of Fire, I trust that you will keep in mind the rich reward that will be yours. When you have him down there where he cannot get away from you, jibe him with the remembrance of how he loved money better than he loved God.

"Then you can gather round him the spirits that have been damned because he robbed the storehouse of the money that should have gone to preach the Gospel; and as you claw at him with the fingers of demons and remind him that but for his faithlessness and thievery they might all have been singing around the Great White Throne together; when you remind him, too, of the chances he had to repent, and how many times he was warned of what the result of continued disobedience would be;—well it seems to me that such an occasion ought to make the blackest of demons whoop for joy.

"Of course, you are all aware that my special delight is, in accusing ZION people before God's Throne, to try to persuade Him that they are a worthless lot and that they care far more for their own ease and comfort than for anything else. But Jesus is there to defend them and so, when I try to show that they do not care, why He just points to their fruits; 'By their fruits ye shall know them,' and shows how they are faithful in tithing, in circulating the literature, in supporting the Zion Institutions, and so on down the line.

"That is a hard pill for me to swallow; but think of the joy I have as I bring up the case of one who professes to be ZION, who never pays his tithes, who keeps his money in an outside Bank and does most of his trading outside of ZION CITY, too, who goes to Meeting on Lord's Day afternoon when he feels like it, who is never seen at the Midweek Rally, who is always ready to criticise and find fault, and so on. It is a marvel to me that I do not get permission to slide him down into Hell, where he belongs, but no!—Jesus only turns to the Father with the plea, 'One more year, oh, spare the fruitless tree one more year!'

"Of course, my business is to see that he goes on in the same way a little longer, and then we will have the satisfaction of seeing him burning up with some kind of fever, and you can rest assured that I will see that he gets all that is coming to him. Then, oh joy of joys! All you imps will rejoice with me as you hear him complain, 'There is something the matter with ZION, no one can pray the prayer of faith.' If the fool could only see it; Jesus Himself intercedes for him just as long as He sees there is any use at all, or any chance for him to bring forth fruits meet for repentance.

"Now, even if we lose our fight to destroy ZION CITY, yet there will be no small satisfaction in getting a number of that kind of fellows down into Hell, fellows who make themselves believe that they are ZION, though it puzzles one to know just upon what they base their belief. Those are the kind out of whom we will get the most fiendish delight.

"We surely will see to it that they never forget for one instant what might have been their lot in the Realms of Glory, if they only had proved faithful and true and endured to the end, 'For he that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved.'

"Now, make no mistake about it, ZION will never be built up if I can prevent it, and that is why I am giving so much of my personal attention to it, because I know that it is written: 'When the Lord shall build up ZION then He shall appear in His Glory.'

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LET US SEE if we are not justified in these statements by the word of God. Isaiah foretold it:

"Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee; hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.

"For behold, the Lord cometh out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain."

JEREMIAH speaks of it:

"Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?

"Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it; it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it."

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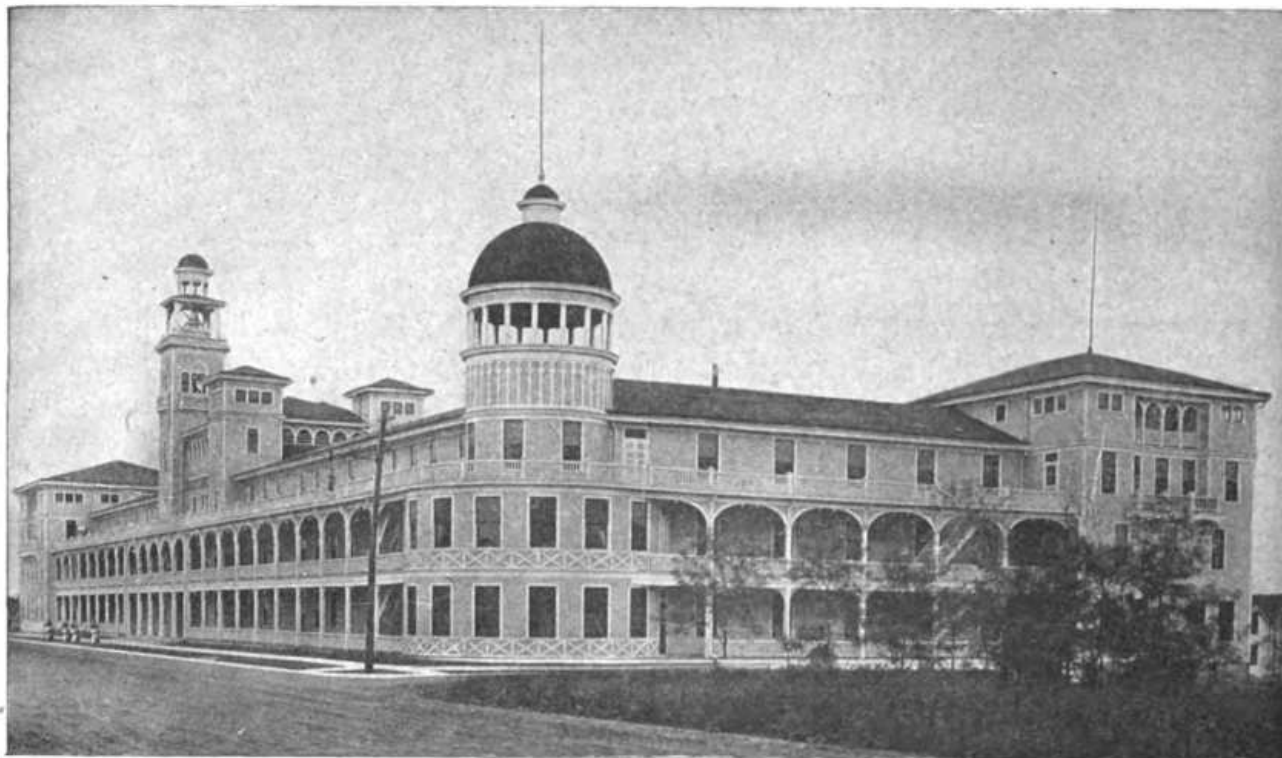
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