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AUGUST 20, 1940—The coming blitz against the Isle of Britain goes on in all its intense fury. There is fear and consternation all around. There are political leaders in this country who, for political reasons, are trying to scare the American people into believing that this country is doomed. They tell us that Germany will bring Britain to her knees and then, at once, hordes of Boches with their swarms of airplanes and tanks will at once cross the Atlantic and with one fell swoop, make America a land of serfs and vassals.

There is no need for any such alarm. Underlying our American civilization are principles far stronger than Hitler. In the hearts of Americans is a strength, a faith, and an invisible Power against which Hitler, who is only a flash in the pan, cannot survive. Hitler will never down the British Empire, nor will his mad hosts ever set hostile foot on American soil. The hosts are not mad; the German people are not mad—they hate Hitler as much as we do, but there is nothing they can do about it. The madmen in Germany are Hitler, Goering, Goebbels, and a few others; their madness, however, is only fleeting. It is not permanent. The Power, the Invisible Power of the principles of right, which are the principles of God, will bring this madness to a very speedy end. Too many people we know are throwing the Power of God against it. In any event it won't be too long before they plant Mr. Hitler under the sod. He may claim, as he did last week, that "there is no power on earth or above the earth which can stop the German might," but only a fool would make such a statement. Only a fool would dare to challenge the Right—or God.

Adolf will be carried out one of these fine days and his body will be planted under six feet of earth. The worms and the maggots will go to work on him, for even the great Adolf

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will go the way of all flesh. It would be good had he not been born, but he had to be born. Either he, or someone equally as mad, had to show on the horizon.

For this world has progressed to the point at which the superior forces of Right must forever subdue the forces of evil. Life is one continuous journey to one goal. That goal is, *eternal life, and all that eternal life brings with it.* We are now fortunate enough to be living in an age which will see the powers of darkness banished once and for all by the Powers of Light. Some of us now living, in fact most of us, will see that day.

There has always existed an eternal principle of justice, love, peace, and eternal life. We may call that principle, God. Not until the present age, however, has that principle been recognized. As it is recognized, there naturally must arise an opposing principle, to which force and material power seem to be everything. The clash, therefore, is between the material forces and the Spiritual forces. The material brute forces of this earth have headed up in one, Adolf Hitler. The Spiritual forces of God are being manifested through this Movement. Don't overestimate Hitler or his forces. The worms will eat up, inside of 75 years from today, every man wearing the German uniform.

But the Spiritual forces—the Power of the Right (God), will continue in existence and will control this earth long after the last German soldier, with Hitler, has been planted 'neath the sod. Remember this.

The present conflict of the forces of war and hate against the Spiritual forces of God will be final. It will be conclusive. It will bring in an era of

universal peace. Let us take a look at that era and see what it will be like. In the first place, there will be no churches, nor will there be one solitary system of religion, as we know religion, left. They are all man-made and therefore, when the

Power of God crushes the powers of Hitler, this world will know an entirely new God. There will be no priests and nuns dressed up to look like ghosts, nor will there be any counting of beads, confession of "sins" to priests. No burning of incense or bowing down to graven images such as is indulged in, in the name of God, today. There will be no more of "eating the flesh and drinking the blood of Almighty God" in the form of Jesus Christ, nor will there be any more such performances as are staged by "evangelists of the gospel." None of these rites, rituals, and no creed of any present-day church has one thing to do with the things of God as those things will shortly be known on the earth. They are all remnants of other religions of years gone by—all of them "pagan" in their origin as I have proved many times.

Christianity is the same system of religion held by many of the older and pagan systems. Virgin-born gods, crucifixion, resurrection, the eucharist, hell and heaven, atonement, baptism, the forgiveness of sins—none of these are original with Christianity. The "pagan" religions of the past had them all ("Gleams Over the Horizon"). Therefore, not being of God, they cannot exist in the future. They are about dead now. The Roman Catholic church has consistently claimed "twenty-one and a half million followers in the United States," but the recent census tells another story. For some time the census bureau has tried to get the actual figures on the number of *communicants* the Catholic church has in America. They wrote directly for this information, which, to date, has been withheld. All we have had to go on is the lying

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Why Not Deny All?

"Hell's Existence Denied by 69 of 100 Ministers

Even 41 Per Cent Doubt If There
Is a Heaven.

"CHICAGO, Feb. 8. (INS)—Existence of hell as a real place was denied today by 69 of each 100 Protestant ministers in answers to a Northwestern University school of education questionnaire that disclosed many modifications in religious belief.

"That 'there is no devil' was the assertion of 54 per cent of the clergymen. A majority of the pastors were opposed to having children taught that so-called God-sent punishments such as earthquakes, fires and floods were punishments for sin.

"Eighty per cent voted against teachings that 'hell is a place of burning.'

"Of the 500 ministers who answered the questionnaire, only 48 per cent said they would teach junior high school pupils that Judgment day is really coming. Thirty-nine per cent said it would not come to pass.

"The existence of heaven was doubted by 41 per cent who recommended that it be eliminated from church instructions. Sixty per cent believed in angels.

"All were virtually unanimous in their belief that 'God still runs the world.' On the question of a future life, 92 per cent recommended teaching that those who die go right on living.

"Nineteen per cent held that God keeps a record of the individual's bad deeds in a book, while 74 per cent disagreed. Seventy-two per cent supported the Deity of Jesus Christ while 26 per cent were in opposition."

The other day a Student sent in this clipping. I comment a bit and ask why not be honest and deny the entire story as I do? If these fundamentals of Christianity are not true (as I claim), does not this put the church on record as agreeing with me? It most certainly does. The thing the church should be ashamed of is the fact that although such a large per cent of its ministers do not believe in the fundamentals of the story, they still continue to preach and make a living and they do it under the garb of the cloth. They are using the name of God, and are making a living by teaching something they do not believe. This is the rankest sort of hypocrisy, for if these fundamentals are not true, nothing about the whole story is true, and the truths of God lie somewhere else.

That is exactly what we of "Psychiana" claim. More than that, it is very rapidly being discovered that the Spirit of God is operating through

this Movement, and men and women the world over are finding the Spirit of God and all the Power in that Spirit, and are finding it, not through foolish church philosophies, but through the plain, simple truths of "Psychiana." To our knowledge, there is no other organization on the face of the earth which is telling men and women the truths of God as we tell these truths. The reason we are qualified to tell them is because we know them. We have experienced them. We know God lives as the greatest invisible Spiritual Power this world can ever know. We know the story of Jesus Christ, and Christna, and the rest of the score of "crucified gods" is not true. We know the whole thing is a pagan origination of the Roman Catholic church, and we know that it had its inception in the dark ages. We also know that the complete story is being discarded by those able to think at such a rate that it will be deemed incredible ere long, if many can be found who still believe such foolish and pagan theories of God; for that is exactly what they are, and the institutions teaching such heathen conceptions of Deity are fast going into the discard where they belong.

When these pagan organizations are forever out of the way, or when they find the actual truths of the present existence of the Spirit of God, this world will be a wonderful place in which to live. It is a place of horror today, and the greatest single influence which has helped bring about that horror, is the organization which originated the story that the Great Spirit of God which created this universe and all in it, ever was crucified on a cross. Even the ministers themselves don't believe such tommy-rot; yet they hold positions under the name of God, and fight every man who does not believe as they do. Thank God, though, the day is fast approaching when *the Truths* of God will be known by all. In that day there will be no priests or preachers telling the world that the Great God of humanity was "crucified on a cross for the sins of the world." May the Spirit of the Infinite God hasten the

day when the Glory of the knowledge of the Spirit of God shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. To this end we of "Psychiana" are striving.

Mary

As I sat alone on yonder hillside,
Waiting for the stars to shine,
Suddenly, beneath the slope, there
slides
A lovely figure, just about nine.

I gazed and gazed until it passed.
What did I see? I shouted at last
"O God" it is Thee in operation
Keep me in deep meditation.

The figure climbed the hillside slope,
Came nearer, nearer up to me,
I looked, and looked, and then I note
The purest Soul you ever see.

She was nine and I was nine,
Twain we were and thine were mine.
We chatter as we walk along,
We listened to the birds song.

The trees, the grass, the meadows
green,
God then bids us be their queen,
Man the highest manifestation of
God

Must learn to harmonize with good.
Written by
Student Gwendolyn Phillips
March 2, 1940.

Simple

They were discussing personal fitness. "Now, look at me," said Hobson, proudly. "For years I have had five minutes wrestling every morning and I am as fit as a fiddle."

"Whom do you get to wrestle with you?" asked one of the company.

"No need for anyone," replied Hobson. "I have my collars starched well, that's all."—Grit.

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Questions and Answers

Ques: Is it not a self-evident fact that Jesus Christ once existed, and was a notable character superior to man, from the very fact that his life, birth, death were the cause of a chronological era styled A. D., or the year of our Lord Jesus Christ?

Ans: I have answered this question in different forms before. It seems to be heavily leaned upon by Christians who are hard driven to prove the earthly existence of their deity. The proof of the existence of the Christian deity should be so positive, so absolute, that such a filmy pretext as this should not be necessary. If Jesus ever lived (as a God) and if he did the amazing miracles the Christians ask us to believe that he did, these facts, were they facts, would be written across every page of history in letters of gold. If the stars ever fell from heaven, and if scores of dead people were ever raised, this historical world would know of it. Over 300 historians, who lived and wrote in that day, and almost on the exact spot where these amazing things happened, never even heard of them. It is not a self-evident fact that Jesus Christ once existed and was a notable character superior to man. The assertion made by a church organization that anyone existed is not a "self-evident fact." There must be some proof to establish the claim. The existence of the sun's rays is a "self-evident fact" if you stand out in them on a hot summer's day without a hat on. The existence of cold is a "self-evident fact" if you were to be here in Moscow tonight with nothing but your underwear on. But the simple assertion of the Christian church that Jesus Christ once lived is not a "self-evident fact" any more than the assertion that such characters as Aladdin, Sinbad the Sailor, or Robinson Crusoe ever lived. There may have lived an individual named Jesus (Mexico is full of Jesuses) and he may have been put to death for attempting to rule the country in which he lived, or for some other cause, but there is no historical proof that he ever lived.

Ques: Is not Christianity an absolute necessity today?

Ans: I can't see why. What has it ever done for humanity other than hide the Spirit of God from men by introducing a god which never did exist? There is no difference between Christianity and any other large pagan religion. If the Christian church knew God and could bring the truths of God to the world, I might say it might be a necessity, but certainly not as it exists today. The whole Christian structure is decaying fast, and it admits it. No true necessity ever decays. No, I do not consider Christianity other than a stumbling block in the path of true religion.

Ques: Can your religion bring the peace and hope and joy the Christian religion brings? Can it, when death knocks at the door, give the assurance of a safe voyage through Jordan?

Ans: It brings a lot more hope and peace and joy than the Christian religion

ever brought. When death, as you call it, comes, with us there is no need of any special comfort and assurance, because the special comfort and assurance the Christian needs at death, we have through life, and on beyond this earthly life, too. The only reason the Christian feels the need of special comfort and peace at death is because he is not sure of his god. He has had to "believe" that all will be well. He has had to "trust" that all will be well on the other side. We of "Psychiana" have no such fears because we know God here, and to know God here is to know God always, hence, no special preparations for death are in our program. It's far better to have a God whom you absolutely know exists here and now, than it is to have to "believe" a certain set of church dogmas, and even then you are sure of nothing at all. I want something more secure than the story of Jesus Christ to build upon. I want the actual Presence of the Spirit of God, and I want that Spirit through this earthly life. With that consciousness, you can have the rest of the religious theories of crucified gods, for there have been a lot of them to choose from.

Ques: Do you know what the best school of music in the United States is? I want to send my daughter there to study music.

Ans: Oberlin College at Oberlin, Ohio, is not outrated by any school of music in America. It is generally conceded to be tops. My son goes there.

Ques: What will become of this world if Hitler and Stalin win the war?

Ans: They might very easily win it, but the principles which these men stand for cannot endure permanently. I expect the next year or two will throw the "Psychiana" Teaching into the limelight to such a degree that it will be the religious power which Hitler and Co. will have to face if they win this war. I don't believe there is much hope the churches will give up their pagan conception of God, and if they don't, I know of no other Movement through which the Spirit of God can take issue with these dictators. This issue of right and wrong has to be faced. This is a battle to the death. The forces of right will win, but it may take a special revelation from God to beat them. "Psychiana" is that revelation. All I am waiting for now is the man or woman on whose consciousness God has laid the burden of supplying us with sufficient funds, and when that person shows up, we shall spring into action very fast, I assure you.

Ques: What do you think of A. M. O. R. C.?

Ans: I know nothing about it—what is it?

Ques: Is there a "Psychiana" branch here in New York?

Ans: We have no branches anywhere except in The Hague, Holland.

Ques: When are you on the radio? I can't ever hear you any more.

Ans: Radio in my opinion has passed its peak and is losing its usefulness as an advertising medium. We are confining our efforts to newspapers and magazines exclusively. I doubt if we shall ever go on the air again—the results last year were not very good.

Ques: Was your mother a Christian or an infidel like you?

Ans: She was a Christian and a good one, not an infidel like you.

Ques: Why did you go to Moscow, Idaho,

instead of coming here to New York where more people are?

Ans: I just happened to be in Moscow when this Movement started. Had I been in your city, I would have started there. But I would not like to live in New York. You find more of God out here in these wide open spaces, don't you know. I am never more lonesome than when in New York. I feel like a lost soul in that town. Too much of everything, and not enough of anything worth while. Give me Idaho.

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There is nothing of which we are apt to be so lavish as of time, and about which we ought to be more solicitous, since without it we can do nothing in this world. Time is what we want most, but what, alas! we use worst.—William Penn.

Time is like a ship which never anchors; while I am on board, I had better do those things that may profit me at my landing, than practice such as shall cause my commitment when I come ashore.—Feltham.

"The other evening we listened to much beautiful, impressive, soothing, exciting, thought-producing music. It came from the British Isles, from Germany, from France. It saddened us to realize that the nations which could produce the genius expressed in this universal medium were at each other's throats, gripped in desperation that had for its chief purpose nothing short of annihilation.

And we wondered, as we thought of the battlefields of this war, how many potential Mendelssohns and Wagners and Debussys and Francks and Elgars and Sullivans will perish there."

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"Psychiana" is a Movement of the Spirit of God on the earth, and the aim of this Magazine is to assist "Psychiana" in making the Spirit of God a vital living Power in the lives of our fellow-men. The Movement is non-denominational. Its Members comprise adherents to every faith in the world. It wants to help them all. We have no "articles of faith" nor do we have creeds or rituals. We know man exists, and we know the Spirit of God exists. We know man can know the Power of the Spirit of God while on this earth, and through this Movement God is being made a Living Reality to men and women of every race and creed all over the world.

Whenever it is necessary, this Magazine speaks very plainly. Many traditions of "orthodoxy" are shown for what they really are. Whenever we find ancient myth and superstition masquerading as being of the Spirit of God, we bring the facts to the world, kindly but forcefully. We believe the Power of the Spirit of God is abundantly able to step into this desperate and discouraging world picture, and bring a permanent peace. To this end we are striving, and as the Spirit of God reveals Itself to us, we reveal It to others without fear.

Members of every church are cordially invited to come and find and use the Power of the Spirit of God with us. An infinite love for all is the motivating Power of this entire Movement. Through this Movement the Spirit of God is making Its presence known on earth.
The Editor.

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claims of the Catholic church that it has 21,500,000 members in America, or rather in the United States. When the bureau insisted that the true number be recorded, the Archbishops told their churches that they *may* deduct 15% for "bad" Catholics, which, I suppose, means those who have died or thrown over that particular system of theology. Then, they stated, another 15% may be deducted for children under seven years of age. This makes a 30% deduction according to Catholic admission. Babson, after a comprehensive report, states that only about 25% of those carried on church rolls actually attend and contribute to all churches and that gives us a figure of about three or four million active members of the Catholic church (an Italian institution which recently threw in its lot with European dictators), in the United States.

That's closer to it. The combined Protestant churches have, according to census, about twenty-five million

members of voting age. If only 25% of them attend church, this gives them twice the number of Catholics, so "the great Catholic menace" does not really exist. That church does not control enough votes to materially affect any election, although many a time it has entered politics with its threat of 21,500,000 votes. However, I am not particularly interested in the Catholic church or any other church, only as I can bring to those churches the actual truths of God. I will say about the Catholic church that I personally consider it the greatest instrument of pagan idolatry this world has ever known. No Catholic can know the sublime Truths of God and believe Catholic superstition at the same time. The Truths of God at once cut one loose from "virgin births," "crucified gods," "repentance," "resurrection," "atonement," etc. Those things are but a relic of pagan religious superstition adopted as truth by the present-day church, both Catholic and Protestant.

In the new day which is to follow the present wholesale slaughter, there will be none of those teachings. All men will know the actual presence of the Spirit of God *in them*, and that is the only place that Spirit may be found—in a human life. Once found, that life begins to shine and reflect the actual and literal Power that is God. Until God *is* recognized in the human life, God cannot be known. In that day, the nations shall lay down their arms, for they will find in the Spirit of God an abundance of everything, and the stealing of another's country by force will not be necessary. God shall live among men, in their very lives, consciously—forever and ever. That great Spirit is now being made known on the earth through this Movement. I am working very hard to the end that all may know it. Please do your part. I need ten million buttons for the coat or dress. I need a few hundred thousand dollars. I need 500,000 more Americans to join this Movement and throw the Spirit of God against Hitler and his ilk by an affirmation of fact—"The Spirit of God will bring your speedy downfall." Will you help? Can you help? Let none mistake. This is the Movement through which eternal peace, eternal love, and the Spirit of

God shall reign supreme on the earth. It is the only Movement which is telling the truth about God and it is the only Movement through which the Great Spirit—God, is actually operating. You good folks ought to flood this office with more funds than I need. Will you? Let the Spirit of God lead you.

Suspicion Unfounded

She opened the door suspiciously, and when she saw on the step a cheerful young man with a suitcase in his hand she began to close it again.

"One moment, madam!" he exclaimed. "I am not an insurance canvasser, and I don't want to sell you toilet preparations, stockings, books, or, indeed, anything of that sort."

She hesitated, the door half closed.

He continued, earnestly: "I do not represent a sewing-machine company, nor one selling gramophones or electric cleaners."

The door began to open again.

"I am neither collecting rates nor asking subscriptions for charity—I find it hard enough to make a living for myself."

These reassurances had their effect and she opened the door wide.

The young man continued eagerly: "I am not seeking your support for any political party or any other organization."

"What in the world," she said, "do you want, then?"

The young man smiled engagingly.

"A-ah!" he exclaimed. "I see that I have interested you. I represent a firm which deals in photographic enlargements."—Tid-Bits.

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Schools of Tomorrow

Taking a long look ahead, the educational policies commission, joint group representing the National Education association and the American Association of School Administrators, recently announced a long-range national program which may well become a pattern for the American school system of tomorrow. Submitted in the name of being a policy which would help reduce unemployment and would raise America's standard of living and total income, the program lists three basic points:

1. Expansion of the American school system to provide compulsory school attendance for at least ten years for every child. Increasing the average number of years of free schooling for American youth to 14.

2. Expansion of a well-planned vocational education program to the point where "boys and girls leave school ready to enter productive jobs."

3. Provision of free college or university training for every child of superior ability who wants to go on with his education, even though he and his family are unable to finance the advanced schooling.

The public school system would be reorganized from its present standard 12-year basis to six years of elementary school, followed by a four-year junior secondary school, followed in turn by a senior secondary school with courses of study varying in length from two to four years. Beyond this universal minimum would come the regular college training for qualified students, those gifted ones of exceptional talent.

The views of the commission on this latter point are obviously sound. "A democratic school system will not treat all students alike," the report declares. "To pretend that every youth is equally capable to profit from the same amount and kind of education is to refuse to face the most obvious of facts. The difficulty with present practice, from the economic point of view, is not that different persons are given different amounts and kinds of education. . . . The real source of the difficulty lies in the fact that our educational opportunities are not closely enough correlated with individual abilities and social

needs." Put in another way, the commission is saying that more young people now have a chance to go to college than deserve it. That is true. Not every person needs or is fitted for college work, and the trend toward assuming that everybody ought to have a degree is doing some harm, including the waste of a lot of money. Educating a dullard or a butterfly pays sometimes—but not often.

With the general goal outlined by the commission—to raise American productivity, wages, buying power and consuming power through an additional investment in education—there will be little quarrel, as it is the American goal for all. For every man to work and earn for himself, with opportunity limited only by individual ability, resourcefulness and energy, is a democratic ideal. That is what liberty means, as most Americans understand it.

To outline a program is relatively simple, but unfortunately the carrying out of the plan is another matter. The report is necessarily vague on this point, the commission estimating that the cost, in the long run, might amount to four billion dollars annually. It notes this total would include most of the present educational costs, and, in defense, points out that the states which have spent most for education have cashed in by showing the greatest increase in per capita wealth, while the states which have spent the least are today poorest, despite high original per capita wealth, rich natural resources and manpower.

It is quite obvious that the straitened circumstances of most states and local school units preclude their now assuming any such burden as is contemplated in this program, hence that the proposed financing must come eventually from the federal treasury. What, then, of federal influence? It could hardly be avoided. If the federal government should take over the financial burden, it also would be justified in asking for the power. And that is what the nation as a whole, and even many of the educators, have been dubious about.

This would be the first practical obstacle in the way of the program for remaking the schools. There are some things to be said on the side of complete federal control of the school

system. The principal thing is the more equitable distribution of educational opportunity throughout the nation. There are more things to be said against it. Teacher pressure on congress might be disastrous for the public treasury and the centralization of school authority at Washington might easily make it subject to political pressure. The educational systems in some states have been made political agencies, it is true, but the trend is in the opposite direction. A federal educational system might also have a tendency to destroy regional cultures which many of the greatest educators of the country are now endeavoring to preserve. Again, a federal system would remove the school system and responsibility for it further from the individual parents of the school children, those logically most interested.

Care and caution should be exercised in taking a step toward even the worthiest end. It would be better to stay a little too long with outmoded practices than to turn into a blind alley. Nevertheless, none can doubt that the educational system of America faces a period of transition, and that the trend is in the direction outlined by the commission. The change probably will come as it has in the past, by trial-and-error experimentation until a sensible way is found to approach the problem of a safe passage to new and better methods.—Lewiston Tribune.

What is time? The shadow on the dial, the striking of the clock, the running of the sand—day and night, summer and winter, months, years, centuries—these are but arbitrary and outward signs, the measure of time, not time itself. Time is the life of the soul.—Longfellow.

Sin is a state of mind, not an outward act.—Sewell.

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From Omaha, Nebraska, comes a letter as follows. The lady lives on Binney street.

"On April 10, I sent you a telegram asking you to help George who was very ill in the T. B. hospital at Kearney, Nebraska. I received a letter from you the same week saying you would help. I am happy to report that George is definitely better. The hemorrhage is half stopped and he is getting well. I wish to express my thanks and appreciation. May God bless you."

From Elkhorn, Indiana, Mrs. Day writes as follows:

"I am studying your Lessons very faithfully and can see many things changing for us. We are coming closer each day to this wonderful God-Law. It has been so easy for me to see, for I never have been satisfied with church teachings."

From Mrs. Susie Jordan of Huntsville, Alabama, we received the following statement:

"I am glad to tell you that I am feeling fine. I am beginning to understand some of the Power of God."

When Students begin to understand the Power which is God, they have taken the first step along the trail which leads to complete liberation. As the days and weeks and months go by, they find a Power they have never known before. This Power operates entirely outside of the beliefs and creeds and dogmas of any so-called religious organization. The "gods" of these organizations never did exist. The true Life Spirit which is God certainly does exist as you who are following these letters week by week must know. All letters in this issue of the Magazine have been received in the last thirty days and for every one published, we have at least 1,000 which we cannot publish.

From a lady in Sausalito, comes a rather outstanding letter and it is a good letter to show to some people who think God

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On North Front Street in Yakima, Washington, lives a Student by the name of Mrs. Frey. She was so ill that she could not write us, so had a friend write and this is what the friend says:

"I wrote you a short time ago about Mrs. Frey not being expected to live. You replied that you would do what you could, and I just want to tell you that she is much better and we thank you very much."

From Houston, Texas, comes a letter from a Student who works in a doctor's office in that city in the West Building. He states:

"I am sincerely thankful and have benefited in many ways. Your Lessons have given me a desire to want to live and do the things worth while in the world. I have seen many dark hours, but now I am able to walk over all enemies."

From Student No. 350-371 in Florida, comes this letter written on the second of May, 1940:

"My last Lesson was an eye-opener. Every one leads farther into the unknown. Thanks to you for pointing out the way to me."

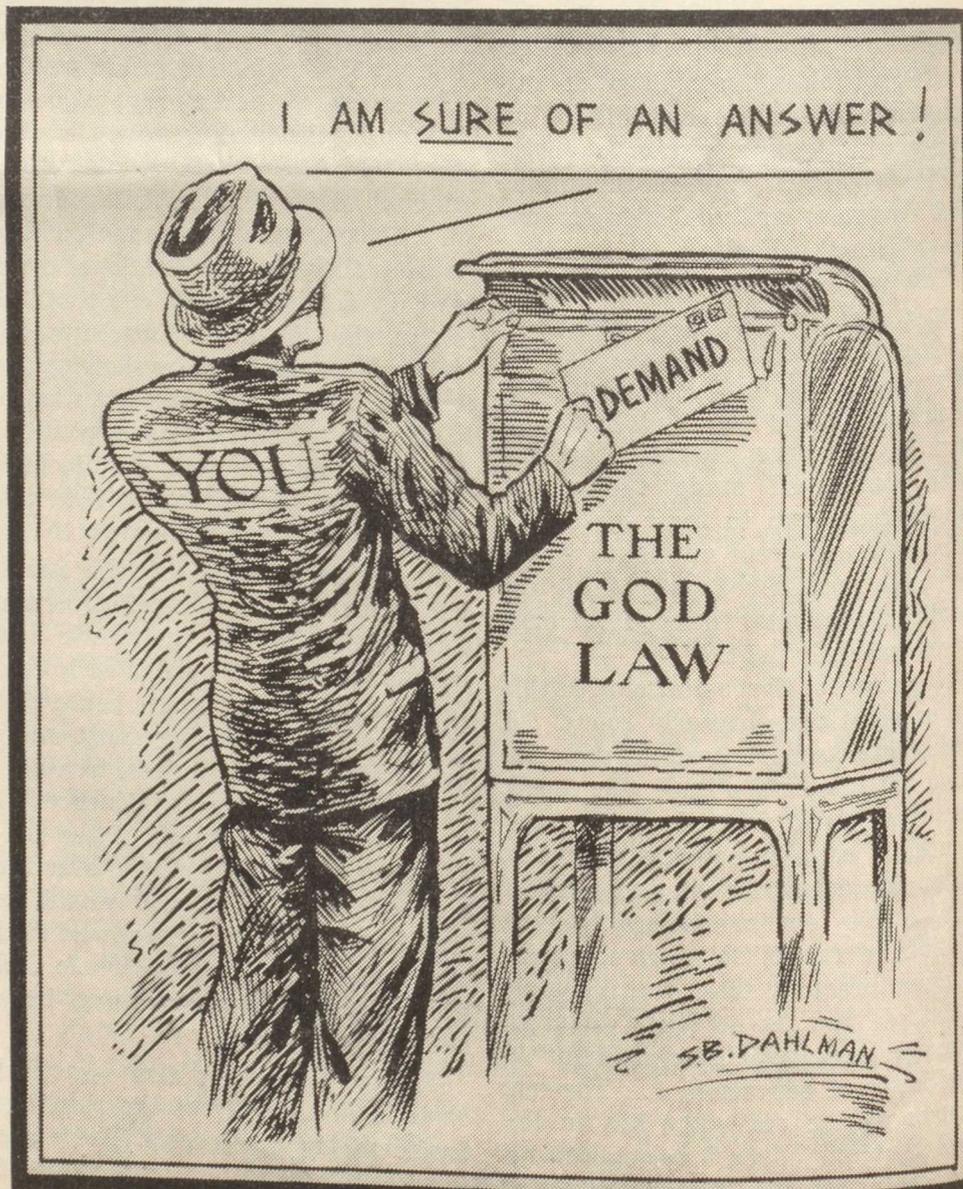
From a Student in Jumping Branch, West Virginia, we received this letter:

"Do I believe in the Power of God?—I'll say I do! It seems that everything is turning out just right now. I was sick for over three months with sinus trouble and running ears, but I am so much better the last few days that almost all the soreness is gone from my head. The Spirit of God is healing me."

Mr. Painter of Strasburg, Virginia, starts his letter of May 3rd, 1940, like this:

"Does the God-Law work? You said it did. Now I know it does myself! I have better health and I am happier, too. During the study of the third Lesson my baby daughter was taken violently ill and I was unable to get a doctor on account of the waters. I used the knowledge I had gained and the result was, she was entirely well the next day."

Simplicity is that grace which frees the soul from all unnecessary reflections upon itself.—Fenelon.



Twelve Reasons Why

I have been asked to put into clear, concise and definite form my reasons for stating that the Christian story of God, as Jesus Christ, is not true. I am happy to do this. Let me interpolate here long enough to say that these reasons should satisfy even the church member himself. Whatever I write, wherever I write, and whenever I write, I shall always be able to give a reason for what I write. I never write just to be writing. This world is having brought to it, for the first time in its history, *the actual truths of God*. Those truths are diametrically opposed to what the churches teach. Therefore, what the churches teach cannot be of God. They say it is of God, but they make a mistake. What they should say is that what they teach is the truth concerning Jesus Christ, who was a long way from being the Creative God-Spirit behind this universe. Analyze these twelve reasons carefully, and you will find that not only does there exist no grounds for belief in Jesus Christ as God, but the proof will appear that they who do so believe, are missing the great liberating truths, not of Jesus Christ, but of the living Spirit which is God.

REASON 1.

The Christian bible is the only place where reference to Jesus may be found. The bibles of the other ten major systems of religion never even heard of him. If the story were the absolute truth of God, all would know of it.

REASON 2.

The Christian bible has no authority whatsoever. No one knows who wrote the four gospels in which the Jesus story appears. Where these gospels came from we do know—they were products of the Roman Catholic church. Not a single original manuscript of these gospels has ever been known to exist. The whole composition is not known to other religions, and is primarily and completely a set of writings, absolutely unknown in authorship, and appearing only in the hands of the religion which teaches what the books contain. There is no evidence of the truth of what these four gospels contain, while there is

much evidence that the complete story is not true.

REASON 3.

The fact that no history, sacred or profane—that not one of three hundred histories of that age—make the slightest allusion to Christ, or any of the miraculous incidents ingrafted into his life, certainly proves, with a cogency that no logic can overthrow, no sophistry can contradict, and no honest skepticism can resist, that there never was such a miraculously endowed being as his many orthodox disciples claim him to have been. The fact that Christ finds no place in the history of the era in which he lived—that not one event of his life is recorded by anybody but his own interested and prejudiced biographers—settles the conclusion, beyond cavil or criticism, that the godlike achievements ascribed to him are naught but fable or fiction. It not only proves he was not miraculously endowed, but proves he was not even naturally endowed to such an extraordinary degree as to make him an object of general attention. It would be a historical anomaly without a precedent, that Christ should have performed any of the extraordinary acts attributed to him in the gospels, and no Roman or Grecian historian, neither Philo nor Josephus, both writing in that age, and both living almost on the spot where they are said to have been witnessed, and both recording minutely all the religious events of that age and country, make the slightest mention of one of them nor their reputed authors. Such a historical fact banishes the last shadow of faith in their reality.

It is true a few lines are found in one of Josephus' large works alluding to Christ; but it is so manifestly a forgery that we believe all modern critics of any note, even of the orthodox school, reject it as a base interpolation.

REASON 4.

Born and raised within the shadow of the Christian church, and abiding by its precepts faithfully, I tried in vain for 40 years to find God by its formula. I failed. When I discarded the whole story, and sought God outside of the church theory of Jesus Christ, I found God. What has happened since that date, and the hun-

dreds of thousands of others who have also found God through this Movement, are well known.

REASON 5.

The Spirit of God is being made known to the world through this "*Psychiana*" Teaching, and yet it denies everything the Christian religion teaches. It denies the story of Jesus Christ, and it classifies the Christian bible along with the bibles of other systems of religion, some of them far larger and older than the Christian religion. If the absolute truths of God were being brought to the world through the Christian religion, they would not be brought through "*Psychiana*."

REASON 6.

The Christian church, with its "crucified god" Jesus Christ and its divinely inspired "word of god," is utterly unable to reveal God to man. It is unable to stop this war. The god of the Christian church stands impotent to either reveal himself to individuals, or to give evidence of any kind that he exists or ever existed. Every religious organization teaching the story of Jesus as God is failing at such a rate that "mergers" are talked about in an effort to "save" the structures. The story of Jesus Christ, therefore, cannot even "save" the institutions which say they believe that story, let alone the rest of this war-saddened world. Where the Spirit of God is, there is Power, there is Peace, there is Joy, there is Love. Few of these things manifest through any branch of the Christian church.

REASON 7.

The Christian religion is made up of over 500 different sects, cults, organizations and denominations, and

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no two of them can agree on anything. They fight with each other. The Catholic branch calls the Protestant branch "heretic" and the Protestant branch calls the Catholic branch "pagan." They have different bibles, and the man does not live who can make head or tail out of the Christian mess of religion as it exists today. If God were in this religion, there would be unity of Spirit and thought. God, therefore, cannot be in it, despite its claims that Jesus Christ was Almighty God.

REASON 8.

This world is torn between life and death today. The horrors of war are all over. Human life is not held sacred. Terrible instruments of wholesale murder are designed, and hate, both among individuals and nations, threatens to destroy our civilization. There is nothing any branch of the Christian church, or its god, can do to stop this horrible slaughter. Its god is silent as the grave. The church is silent, too. Yet one part of the Christian structure tells the world that it is "the only one authorized to act and teach for God." Yet not only that branch of the church is powerless, but the Protestant branch is also impotent.

REASON 9.

The vast majority of thinking Americans do not believe the story and are not interested in anything the church teaches. If the Spirit of God were in the story, the whole world would run to receive it, and accept it.

REASON 10.

Millions of people, thousands of years before Christ was ever heard of, knew the story of the virgin birth, the atonement, the crucifixion, the resurrection, the "mass" or sacrifice, the communion of saints, the doctrines of hell-fire, and the second advent of the "crucified god" of their respective religions. There is not one single fundamental teaching of the Christian church which cannot be directly traced to "pagan" and "heathen" systems of religion, which had every one of these fundamentals long before the church the Pope of Rome and Constantine (Christian) founded, ever had them. They were

all known long before the Christian church ever got hold of them. Therefore, they are not original, and, if "pagan" systems of religion had them all, the chances are they are not true either. Certainly they are not original, and just as certainly, if the older systems which contain these same precepts were "pagan," so is the Christian church, for it contains and teaches the very same fundamental doctrines the "heathen" did.

REASON 11.

Too many other "crucified gods" have appeared on the earth, and attempted to save it, before the "crucified god" of the Christian church came onto the scene (if he ever did). Fourteen hundred years before Jesus Christ was born of a virgin, Jeseus Chrishna was also born of a virgin. Both Chrishna and Christ were God, we are told, and both were born on the 25th day of December. Shepherds and wise men heralded the births of both, and a star guided the two batches of wise men "over the place where the infant child lay." The mother of one was Mary, the other Maia. The first man and woman taught in the Hindoo bible were Adimo and Heva. The Christian bible has it Adam and Eve. (The Hindoo told this story 1,400 years before the Christian began to tell it. Also, the Hindoo Vedas, or bibles, are the oldest sacred writings extant, far antedating the Christian bible, the New Testament of which is older than the Old Testament).

The "righteous man" in the Christian bible was Noah, who had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. The "righteous one" of the Vedas was Noe, who had three sons; namely, Shema, Hama, and Jiapheta (practically the same names—at any rate, too close for mere coincidence). Both Jesus and Jeseus were the second part of the "trinity" of God; both arose from the dead on the third day after crucifixion, and ascended into heaven where they now are, making intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. I cannot put these two stories side by side, considering that one was told 1,400 years before the other, and not know that the one was stolen or borrowed from the other. Reason dictates it could not be otherwise.

REASON 12.

There is nothing in the Christian religion which sustains its claims to divine origin. Not one thing in its bible took "supernatural" ability to write. Some of the things written therein are so filthy that they would not be allowed to go through the U. S. mails if they appeared in any other book. The main reason I do not believe the story is because of the impotence of any church teaching it, to bring the Power of the Spirit of God to the world, or indeed to anyone. It is a form of religion certainly, but it has no power, and nothing which brands it as of God, outside the unprovable claims of its followers. Its absolute failure to help in the present emergency, coupled with what we know of the workings of the True Spirit of God, force us to brand the whole business "just one more pagan religious superstition." Many more reasons could be given. If you want them all in detail, you may find them in "*Gleams over the Horizon*," obtainable from our book department here in Moscow, Idaho. Price is \$3.00.

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The portals of life's school. Light, thin
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And scarred are desks. The study books are torn
By age. The floors are grooved by many feet
That hasten, shuffle, stumble to a seat.
The thoughts are new within each brain, but still
The walls confine the vision and the will.
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The classroom. Down the hall the exit door
Has opened and we step without to find
The beauty we have sought with soul and mind.
To God's planned purpose we have found access,
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