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# SPECIAL EVANGELISTIC NUMBER

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# The Bible forecasts MOMENTOUS EVENTS in breath-taking prophecies !

By Rev. Alexander Tee (Elim evangelist and member of the Evangelistic Committee).

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**T**NTELLIGENT people all around the world are asking the same questions in these days of fastmoving events. "What is going to happen next?" "How will it all end?" "Does the Bible forecast war?" The text before us is more or less the same question put in other language. As then, so today, God's faithful watchmen have the true answer to the pressing questions, because God's sure word of prophecy can predict with unswerving accuracy those things which are about to break upon us. Jeremiah and Isaiah did so, as did all the prophets of the Lord, yea, and even the Master Himself delivered prophecies which seemed utterly impossible to come to pass, but nevertheless time swiftly turned the tide only to show the unerring words of the infallible Christ.

Ever remember that God is still on the throne of things. He it is who is supreme. He is the pilot of prophecy. He is the navigator of the nations. He alone is the dictator of destinies. There are no unforeseen emergencies in heaven. God is never caught out by unexpected events. Dear reader, remember this one thing, Bible prophecy is inspired by the Almighty, who alone knows the full detail of all that the future holds. Thus it is with all authority that we turn you now to the infallible Word and fearlessly declare, as would God's watchmen, momentous events which are about to shake this godless old world of ours.

#### PREDICTIONS ABOUT SOVIET RUSSIA

In the thirty-eighth chapter of Ezekiel we read some tremendous words regarding the powers of the north. It is accepted by almost every Bible student on prophecy that this chapter has to do with Russia and her confederates. We are told in this chapter that the hour will come when Russia will think to come against Palestine in order to take a spoil and to take a prey. Verses nine to twelve read thus: "Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and Text : " Watchman, what of the night? The morning cometh, and also the night ' (Isaiah 21:11,12).

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all thy bands, and many people with thee. Thus saith the Lord God; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought: and thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest . . . to take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land." Verse fifteen reads: "And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts . . . a mighty army: and thou shalt come up against My people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against My land." Verse eighteen reads thus: ". . . when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord God, that My fury shall come up in My face. For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel." In the heart of verse twenty we read: ". . . all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at My presence." In verse twenty-two it reads thus: "And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood . . . rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone." You will agree that these are tremendous words; but, beloved, in the next chapter it gets even worse. Five out of every six of this northern army will never return (Ezekiel 39:2). It will take the house of Israel seven months to bury all of their dead (Ezekiel 39:12).

With this portion of inspired prophecy open I will only give a few obvious facts which cannot be guestioned. Here is the first. This will come to pass in the latter days (vv. 6 and 16). Again we read that it would be after the Jews had returned again to Palestine. I will come to this in a few moments; at

the moment I will only say that this prophecy regarding Soviet Russia could not take place until the return of the Jews to Palestine (see v. 12). Need I say any more than just remind you of the fact that as never before the Jews have gone back into Palestine during the last ten or twelve years? Here then is a plain and obvious fact of Scripture: the day will soon dawn when Russia will decide to attack Palestine with a mighty army (v. 15). Now do you think that it would need a mighty Russian army to overpower the land of Palestine, which I remind you is just about the same size as Wales? Why this mighty army? Please turn now to Zechariah 12:2. It reads: "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling." Verse three says: "And in that day [the day of the Lord] will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people." Now Zechariah 14:2: "For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle." It would seem to me that the reason why Russia will need to bring a *mighty* army is that there is to be fought an opposition to their invasion much stronger than merely the Jew. "All nations" are the words of Zechariah. Then, too, seven months to bury the dead that lie scattered across the fields of the Holy Land. What a tragic scene, thousands of humanity's fine young men lying there rotting under the heat of the oriental sun. What a task, and what a tragedy! May I just say that the godless leaders of Communism will be forced to pay God's price for turning so many countless thousands of poor souls away from the Saviour. Friends, God is about to strike. Beware!

#### **PREDICTIONS ABOUT THE JEWS**

So much is written about the return of the Jews to Palestine that it would take pages to give you all the scriptures. Here is just one (Ezekiel 36:24): "For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land." For the past ten years or so the Jews have been returning at the rate of 2,800 per week. I myself saw boat-loads arriving at Haifa. Only a few weeks ago I spoke with a Jew who had arrived from Palestine and asked him why we are not being told about the present rate of arrival. He explained that the recent speed was so great that it was being used as an argument in some quarters for not allowing the Jews to leave various countries in order to return to Palestine. Thus the details are now being kept secret. I asked if they were still flowing back at the same rate and he refused to reply, but he did add: "They are still coming back all right."

Jesus Himself said that the fig tree (meaning the

Jewish nation) would blossom again, and then He added in Luke 21:31: "When ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand." Verse 28 reads: "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." So then I come quickly to

### PREDICTIONS ABOUT CONVERTS TO CHRIST

Jesus told us that He would come again. Now every Bible student on prophecy is unanimous that this is about to take place. Russia's greedy eyes and the miraculous birth of the Israelitish nation are but two sign-posts for intelligent, God-fearing people to be awakened to the vital fact that this momentous event is about to break upon humanity. Dear friend, the coming of Jesus Christ is definitely about to take place. Now grasp the truths in 1 Thessalonians 4:16: "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout. . . 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."

Every convert and disciple of Christ is going to be taken right out of this world; but only those who are converts and disciples. All the other people, including the nice people, the nasty ones, the upright citizens and the rougher type, will be left behind to face the fury of God's wrath. You see, to live good, clean and upright lives without being avowed converts to Christ is still to live our own lives without the sins we have committed ever being removed from our souls. Now God looks upon this as a slight, for we are then living heedless of the fact that Christ ever agonised on Calvary for our souls. Such neglect is utterly disastrous. Our sins do need to be seen to. Watchman, what of the night? I answer, the morning cometh with its light and joy for the converted man and woman. "But also the night "---of darkness for the soul without a personal conversion. In the light of current events, in the light of the sins we have personally committed, there is only one logical thing for every reader to do-say this prayer reverently and with absolute sincerity: "Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, I do want my soul to be prepared for Thy second coming and for eternity. This day I make my vow to Thee to be Thy disciple and convert. From this hour I will leave sin, and be a definite and loyal Christian. Help me to live as I ought in the light of Thy near return."

PS. If you really mean this, friend, please write to me at 22 Steel Street, Wishaw, Scotland.

## Editorial-

WELCOME to all new readers of this special evangelistic number of the ELIM EVANGEL.

We trust that you will enjoy reading our magazine, and above all that you will find help and blessing from its contents. If you would like further help on spiritual matters, there is, most probably, an Elim church not far from you, and we should be pleased to give you the address and put you in touch with the minister, who will gladly call on you. Just write to the editorial address : 66 Denbrook Avenue, Bradford 4, Yorks, and we will supply you with this information.

We would request regular readers kindly to pass on this week's ELIM EVANGEL to a friend when they have read it, and so help to spread the message of Christ and His redeeming love.



# Women's Column

**By Gladys Gorton** 

#### WOMEN TALK TOO MUCH

**X** 70MEN talk too much " is a well-worn joke from men of all ages of time, but I was dumbfounded to read that a glamorous female agrees with the men! Who talks too much, men or women? Candidly, the crux of the matter is who the person is-whether he or she has "the gift of the gab."

"Be like dad, keep mum," a war-time slogan, must have been a skit taken from this timeless joke, but in reality it referred to both sexes.

A Frenchwoman who lived during the last century, Madame Regnier, of Versailles, remained a voluntary mute for the last thirty years of her life. It happened over a very trifling affair, when her husband in the course of conversation said to her: "Be silent; you talk nonsense. You talk too much." These words had an unhappy sequel. Madame never spoke another word until she died thirty years later. Driven to desperation, her husband used all means, subtle and otherwise, to make her talk again, but all in vain. No crisis would induce her to utter a word. Even when she was requested to give verbal assent to the marriage of her only daughter not even a grunt escaped her lips. She signified her approval with a nod. Pleas, irritation, annoyance from her husband and family were met with continual stony silence. Her lips remained sealed for ever. That woman's sensitivity mastered her into mute stupidity. Hers was a ruined, wasted life. Through her stubborn silence a sad and sorry friction reigned in that home, Foolish woman! She may have possessed a lovely speaking voice. Think how she could have used it! But she stayed silent.

What are you doing with your voice? Do we, like Tennyson's "babbling brook," keep on and on about the inconsequential things of life and never, never speak a word for the Lord Jesus? According to Dr. Talmadge, using the voice brings into use fourteen direct muscles and thirty indirect muscles. They are to be used. Let us, therefore, "gossip the Gospel." This does not mean entering into arguments or theological discussions, but simply telling-from your heart-what Jesus is to you, what He has done for you. There are souls all around you who need Him -not creeds, dogmas or theories. Our salvation depends upon a Person, and not on precepts alone.

"What have I said for Jesus today? Though I have talked of numberless things (Words that were commonplace, grave or gay, I have sent forth on invisible wings), Have I spoken one word for my Lord, Dropped one seed by the way As the moments have sped And the chances have fled Today? "

Jean H. Watson.

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#### Imprisoned ministers released

Word has just been received from Liberia, West Africa, that the President has person-ally intervened in the case of nine Pente-costal ministers who had been jailed for breaking down the Bush Society by preach-ing the Gospel in the Western Province of Liberia. One missionary reports that "God has used these men in their area to break the power of the bush devil. The natives had said that these men would never come out of the iail alive. that the injus and had said that these men would never come out of the jail alive, that the jujus and native medicine would kill them all. But the men are free and alive, and the people have no more confidence in the bush devil and his medicine. This is a tremendous victory for the Gospel in Liberia."

A wonderful proof of the power in Jesus' name, and an example of what God can do if there is real faith in Him.

#### **Exhibition in Moscow**

Soviet officials insisted that some 229 of Soviet officials insisted that some 229 of the 8,000 volumes placed on display at the American Exhibition in Moscow were removed before the display opened. They permitted a Russian-language Bible to re-main, However, some of the Russian visitors must have thought the books were sou-venirs, for a number of volumes began to disappear. One of the first books to dis-appear from the display was the Bible, a very scarce book in Russia.

Originally the right to publish the Bible was vested in the Orthodox Church, and during the revolution this privilege was denied it, hence the scarcity. When the Bible can again be printed and circulated, there will undoubtedly be a revival in Russia.

#### Moscow again

A team of N.B.C. cameramen and a southern Baptist official who hoped to film the worship services at the Baptist church in Moscow had to change their plans when the Russian embassy refused to grant them visas. No explanation was given for the refusal.

Without comment !

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#### Literacy in India

More people in India have learned to read in the past three years than in the twenty-two previous years, according to a recent report.

Literacy was eight per cent in 1931; that Interacy was eight per cent in 1951; that is, one person out of twelve could read. It increased to twelve per cent in 1941 and eighteen per cent in 1947, and the 1958 Hindustan Year Book says that now one out of every four men in India knows how to read.

That's good news, provided we give them the right literature to read before the Com-munists give them their soul-destroying stuff.

#### Boycott threatened in Israel

A mass rally of Orthodox Jews in Israel threatened to boycott the new Haifa sub-way if its trains run on Saturday, the Jewish sabbath.

Well, that's Orthodoxy right enough. We sympathise with them because they are as yet under the law, but never with the Seventh Day Adventists, who claim to be in Christ while keeping one foot in the law

#### Roman Catholics and U.S. presidency

Roman Catholics and U.S. presidency The possibility of a Roman Catholic organization of the next presidential election is raising a very big issue in re-ligious and political circles in the U.S.A. While the constitution states that no re-bigious set shall be required, it is obvious that the matter goes deeper than that. The bull of Pope Boniface in 1302, the authority of the Church over the State of the the constitution of the State of the state in the bull of Pope Boniface in 1302, the authority of the Church over the State of the the constitution of the state of the state of the the state of a Roman Catholic presiden of the U.S.A. would be a serious threat to Ameri-can democratic and religious freedom. Theorem and a possible Roman Catholic of a Roman Catholic presiden of the U.S.A. would be a serious threat to Ameri-can democratic and religious freedom. The stating that he is in favour of strict of the Mathen her is in favour of strict of the Mathen her is in favour of strict of the Vatican. But the Roman Catholic press has responded with sharp protests synches the appointment of an ambasador of the Vatican. But the Roman Catholic pressing resentment at his statements, which system end insulting. The statements the statements of the Vatican and the statements of the statements which systement at his statements of the statements of the Vatican and the statements of the statements which systement at his statements of the stat

Seeming when the tractions reflect directly against Mr. Kennedy's expressed opinions and reveal the dangerous risk in selecting a Roman Catholic for the presidency.

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#### Antwerp Y.F.C. crusade

A great percentage of teenagers were among those who attended the recent "Youth for Christ" crusade in Antwerp, Belgium. It is reported that the crowds were larger than any they had seen before. Night by night the programme was geared to youth, with plenty of good music. The climax to each evening rally was the pre-sentation of the gospel message by chosen speakers.

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Not only did God answer prayer in pro-viding the necessary funds for the crusade, but there was a small balance in hand which encouraged local Christians to begin negotiations for a regular Y.F.C. rally in the gitter of Activers

he gotations for a regime for the resolution the city of Antwerp. Post-crusade meetings were held in Ghent and Hemiksem, where many thronged to hear the message of the Gospel in great indoor and open-air rallies.

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#### Television in the home

Television in the home Correspondents write us on this vital methods of the influence of television in the Christian home. Quite clearly there is only one answer to this question : Christians must have the will-power—or better still the God-constituences—to select the pro-spannes that are fit to be seen either by themselves or their children, and not let all the good and the bad come indis-ordinates and corruption of the morals of the innocence of youth. Never view in your home what you would not like to seen going to see in a theare or a chemical christians who have television sets must have a good "off" switch on their stand sold and the able to select pro-spannes suitable for the eyes of those who will be looking in . Television itself is not is in itse good or bad as the case may be. . The for the good of the community if we have the good of the community if we have here the for the nonsense they put defense the for the nonsense they put on only persuade the P.B.C. and 1.T.Y. So spare more time for religious broadcasts of the solic the share to relate the base the select of the solic the solic the select pro-spare the solic the select on the pro-spare the solic the solic the select pro-spare that is good of the community if we have the solic the solic the select pro-tore the solic the solic the solic the solic the former the solic th

America, with its freedom of broadcasts, is far ahead of us in this respect and church television broadcasts are quite common. We were privileged to take a part in one such Pentecostal television programme down in Arkansas.

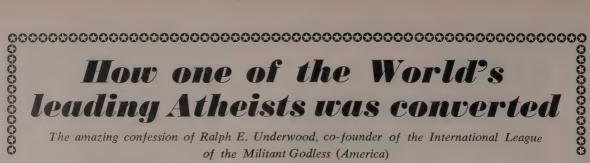
the churches would only co-operate to If try to influence the B.B.C. we might get a better chance to put over the Word of God on the television screen. God speed the day.

#### Slavery in Red China

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The United States News and World Re-port gives disquicting news regarding the operation of the commune system in China. It reports that China today is a land of 650,000,000 slaves. A news picture showed three men and three women acting as horses, pulling a heavy roller for road work. One official describes the work-day in one commune in China : "Work began at 2 a.m. and continued until 6 a.m., when an hour was taken for breakfast. Work then went on from 7 a m to 11 a m The United States News and World Reat 2 a.m. and continued until 6 a.m., when an hour was taken for breakfast. Work then went on from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., when there was a two-hour break for lunch. The day's work picked up again at 1 p.m. and went on until 7 p.m. This was a fourteen-hour day. In addition, on three nights a week political classes are held for one hour, with attendance compulsory."

Here plainly is a nation in slavery under the name of freedom. Already half of the known world and its teeming population is under the heel of a system which binds the liberty of the individual and ties him to the state system, demanding complete and absolute obedience to the state, with-out which he can neither buy nor sell and which so ties him down that he cannot survive within this so-called liberty without becoming a slave to its tyranny. Here in our present time is being fulfilled the pro-phetic picture given to us in the book of the Revelation. Here plainly is a nation in slavery under the Revelation.



of the Militant Godless (America)

Y mother died when I was only seven years old and it was necessary to send me to an orphanage. Though recommended to my father as being a Christian home, it was anything but Christian. Five years of incarceration in that home were more than enough to turn me against religion. I got started wrong, and I became a God-hater instead of a God-lover. I embraced atheism in its entirety. I was convinced that God was a myth and that Christ was not necessary, I regarded the Bible as a Jewish "scrap-book" filled with absurd legends. To this day I believe my bitter experience as a boy turned me towards atheism.

Determined to acquire an education, I devoted many hours to studying and reading in public libraries. I was particularly interested in anti-religious addresses, and I read all the standard free-thought literature: Paine, Ingersoll, Voltaire and others. Joining hands with other infidels. I soon became an active worker for the cause. While yet in my early teens, I started delivering lectures against religion. This I did in the most blasphemous fashion. I referred to my general activities as "pulling Jehovah's whiskers," and I used other terrible blasphemous expressions which I now shudder even to think of, and hesitate to repeat. My tongue was tipped with acid when I spoke; my friends called me " the champion blasphemer."

I travelled over the country, lectured and debated in many of the large cities, distributed thousands of copies of infidel books and pamphlets, and waged a tireless warfare against Christianity. In Chicago I met a man-Martin S. Charles-who was to become my colleague and inseparable partner in atheism. A more zealous, blasphemous, hard-working team of atheists could not be found anywhere. In many parts of America there still exist infidel and free-thought societies that were founded by Charles and Underwood. In 1931 we founded the Godless Age Publishing Company, with headquarters in San Francisco.

One day a great tragedy entered the life of my friend Charles. The loss of his wife left him heartbroken and disconsolate. He soon lost all interest in our work and became subject to extreme melancholia. He started to wander aimlessly about the country in a vain attempt to find relief. He eventually reached the place where he thought of suicide as the only way out of his troubles. On three different occasions I intervened in the nick of time to prevent him from taking his own life.

I decided to leave the city for a visit to my family in Oregon. I remained only a few days, fearing that I would find my friend Charles dead when I returned. And he had expected to be dead; so much so, in fact, that he had left instructions for me to dispose of his remains with a typical atheist funeral. He had instructed me to conduct his funeral personally and to permit no minister of the Gospel, under any circumstances, to say anything over his body, or, he wrote, "I will get up and call him a liar." But when I returned Charles was far from dead. In fact he was very much alive! Wonder of wonders, he had actually found God!

On the evening of my return to the city I had conducted a street-corner meeting at the intersection of 10th and Broadway. Before a crowd of several hundred persons I had launched into a blasphemous attack on religion, much to the delight of my godless listeners. But one of my listeners was not delighted. That was my friend, Martin S. Charles, who had spent most of the day searching for me after learning that I had returned to the city that morning. At the close of the address I went over to where Charles stood with his back to a store window, and I asked how he liked my talk-expecting the usual reply.

I was surprised when he informed me that he did not like it. He seemed to be steeling himself to say something very important and serious, and shortly he let it out. I shall never forget the feeling of utter surprise and shock that came over me when my friend told me that we were both wrong in our beliefs, that there was a God after all.

"Ralph," he said, "I know you won't be able to understand, but I have found God all over again, found Him just as I knew Him in my boyhood davs."

No, I did not understand; I had been steeped in

unbelief from boyhood and had never known the heavenly Father. Mine was not the case of being a backslider. I had never had any knowledge of God in the first place. To say that I was thunderstruck at Charles's statement is putting it mildly! I was left speechless. Such a thing was unthinkable. So I decided to humour him. If he insisted on being "saved" I would let him be saved. I patted him on the shoulder and said, "Of course you're saved." But he knew that I did not mean it and told me as much.

The days passed. I heard from the lips of my friend the old but ever new story of Jesus the Christ. I had never heard it in just that way before. It was not as though I was hearing a prepared sermon dealing with what God can do, but I was hearing a man testify to what God had done! How wonderful it is to proclaim the glad tidings of salvation through individual witnessing! Charles exhorted me day and night. I often remarked that he preached the longest sermon I ever heard. It lasted day and night for about ten days. I can thank God to this hour for his persistence. One day he succeeded in talking me into kneeling with him in prayer. I was not the least bit interested. While he prayed for my soul, I gazed at the wallpaper, bored to distraction.

A few days later Charles invited me to go to church. Of course, I did not want to go, but I finally consented after much coaxing. I felt rather out of place in that house of God, especially when I saw a young man who was the leader of a group of gospel workers who conducted street meetings on the same corner where I conducted my atheistic meetings. On several occasions I had so incited the fury of the street mob against him and his co-workers that they were driven from the street. But they always returned sooner or later, and wearing the same smile and displaying the same courage that I so secretly admired. He was an eighteen-carat Christian and had no desire to seek revenge; he was seeking souls for Christ.

As I stood there in that church, hoping that this young man would not see me, he suddenly looked straight at me, and his eyes grew wide with surprise. Rushing down the aisle, he came towards me. Fearing for my safety, I looked around for some way out of the building. He grabbed me by the hand and told me how happy he was to see me. Several shook hands with me, some rather timidly. But not a person was the least bit offensive. For the first time in my life I was looking at people who lived up to the "love thine enemies" creed. At least, it was my first contact with them, as far as I knew.

I cannot recall the sermon that night, but I was

beginning to suffer from old-fashioned conviction of sin. And when conviction seizes upon the heart of the unsaved there is no peace or rest for that person until he seeks the face of God. I did not sleep well. I was beginning to doubt my unbeliefs. It seemed that the very foundations of my atheism slowly crumbled and fell at my feet. A feeling of remorse clutched at my heart. I could hear my old father reprimanding me for my infidelity.

My desire to know the truth eventually triumphed. One evening I went to church with Charles, and when the invitation was given I went forward to the altar (of prayer), dropped to my knees and tried to pray, but it seemed that unseen hands clutched at my throat. I could literally feel the pressure on my throat. The words that I tried to form were cut off before they passed my lips. At a later hour, almost midnight, I still had not uttered a word and decided to go home, fearing that I was keeping others who wanted to leave. So I went.

It seems that God spoke to two of the men who had been kneeling with me at the altar. They walked out with me, and together with brother Charles we went to our rooms. At their suggestion, we four kneeled on the floor and for nearly two hours those three men prayed earnestly for my soul, asking God to reveal Himself to my heart.

As the hour approached 2 a.m. I had a terrible vision of myself standing before the judgment throne of God. Some will argue that my vision was purely imagination; but to me it was real. I realised the awfulness of my position and my immediate need for "outside" help. I could see myself standing there before God, my friends pleading my case for me, but myself uttering not a word on my own behalf. I suddenly had a great desire to speak for myself, and it was then I commenced to pray, for the first time in my life. I needed no human help.

From the depths of my being I talked to God that night. And my prayers did not go unheeded! The first prayer I ever uttered brought about the most wonderful experience I had ever had. That night I was gloriously saved! My doubts and my fears fled like the wind, and from that hour to the present I have never wondered for one instant about my salvation.

My conversion took place in the headquarters of the godless movement. I was literally a "brand plucked from the burning." The experiences of Mr. Charles and myself were the most astounding things that ever happened in the atheist movement of the Pacific coast. Today I am combating atheism in every way possible, and trying by all means to win the lost to the Saviour.

Your Answer.

ROCKETS !
SATELLITES !
and now THE MOON !

WITHOUT a shadow of a doubt we are living in a world of tremendous forces; an age of atomic energy; an era of hydrogen power. We are living at a dangerous time, for we are told that things might very well develop along the line of pressbutton warfare, so tremendous are the forces at our disposal today. These great powers can be of tremendous advantage to man in his fight against poverty and disease—that is if they are put to the right use.

Will it shock you when I boldly declare that there are in this world at this very moment two greater forces than any I have yet mentioned—two forces that are passed over by many of us as unimportant? One is a force that *destroys*, the other is a force that *saves*.

Will you get out your Bible for a few moments? Good. Now turn to the letter to the Hebrews, chapter 9, verse 26; now read the last portion of this wonderful verse. This is what it tells us: "Jesus Christ hath put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." In that one short verse from the Bible we have given to us the two greatest forces at work in the universe today. The first of these is *sin*.

Sin is the force that destroys. Let us make no mistake about this fact. Sin is no plaything. It is the most terrible and terrifying fact in all the world. Oh yes, I am fully aware that in this modern age there are many false conceptions of sin. There are those who tell us that sin is only "a disagreeable hindrance to the smooth working of the social machinery." Then, of course, there are those who tell us that sin is simply "an upward stumble in man's progress." Then there is the school of thought which declares that sin is "only youthful indiscretion." These are certainly fine clever phrases, but they do not contain an atom of fact.

#### NO LANGUAGE LENDING RESPECT-ABILITY TO SIN IMPROVES SIN

You cannot improve smallpox by putting the patient in an art gallery. You cannot make a pigsty any less a pig-sty by planting flowers around it. The dead pollution of leprosy is not lessened by clothing its victim in purple and fine linen. Behind all our phraseology we must retain the tremendous

# W. RONALD JONES (Minister deals with the most intriguing WHAT ARE THE FORCES IN TH

sense of the ruin of sin. Whatever ignores sin, whether literature, government, religion, teaching or preaching, inevitably fails to declare God's truth.

Sin is a Goliath of power. Ten thousand times ten thousand homes it has broken. Many nations it has cast upon the tragic ruins of history. My friend, sin blights, it ruins, it destroys. Sin is a stalking killer. See it at work. Sin-that power that reverts man's nature, that destroys the harmonies of his power, that brought him into unconditional surrender to diabolical power. It was this force that made Cain into a murderer; that took Judas and made him into a quaking, quivering quisling. Drunken with his thirst for power and popularity, he gloats with greedy eyes over thirty pieces of silver as they are counted out. But wait! Sin has not finished with him yet. See this destroying force at work when after it all he declares: "I have sinned, in that I have betrayed innocent blood." Listen to the tragic end of that man: "... and he went out, and hanged himself."

I read of a young man who took his own life after writing and leaving a note which read something like this: "To my parents I leave much sorrow in their old age; to my brothers and sisters I leave much dishonour; to my wife I leave the knowledge of marriage vows broken; to my children I leave the foul memory of a drunken father; to God I leave an immortal soul that has defied and insulted His loving mercy."

#### WHAT MORE CAN BE SAID ABOUT SIN THE DESTROYER AFTER THAT?

So much for sin and the general public; so much for sin and Judas; so much for sin and the young suicide; so much for sin and the man next door; but what about *sin and you*? What about sin and me? Although we may not have done any of these things, the fact is that we are all caught up in this awful net of sin.

Have you still got that Bible out? Look what it says in 1 John chapter 5, verse 17: "All unrighteousness is sin." Unrighteousness simply means not being upright in all our actions. My word, we are certainly all guilty here. Some of our actions have been very far from upright.

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# EATEST WORLD TODAY?

But wait a moment. There is something else. Turn to 1 John chapter 3, verse 4, and you will read this: "Sin is the transgression of the law." This means God's law or, if you like, the ten commandments. One day when Jesus was talking about this He said that the ten commandments could be summed up in these words: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength, and thy neighbour as thyself." If we have not done this we have sinned. I am sure that you are an excellent neighbour and that you always do your utmost to help, but that is only part of the law. Have you loved God with all your heart and mind and strength? Again we have to admit we are guilty!

But even that is not all. The Bible makes this very bold and dramatic statement of fact:

#### "ALL HAVE SINNED, AND COME SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD"

That just about sums it up. *All*—Judas, the boss at work, the chap next door, and, of course, *you* and me!

Here then is the terrifying truth. We are all in it ensnared, engulfed and enslaved by this fearful, frightening, destroying tyrant; this dread power for which science cannot find a sea with water enough to wash away its foul pollution; this tremendous evil that education, however brilliant, cannot teach away; sin, this dreadful disease that medical skill cannot cure.

Does this all mean that there is no hope for us? Does it mean that there is no cure? Are we to understand that there is no remedy anywhere to be found?

Yes, there is a remedy, but it is God's remedy. The truth is this. There is only one force strong enough, mighty enough, great enough to deal with it. Look at that verse in the Bible again: "Jesus Christ came to put away sin, by the sacrifice of Himself." In other words we are told that Jesus Christ has provided the remedy and the cure for sin by His own death on the Cross of Calvary.

Here at Calvary, my friend, is the only Power that can meet us in our need and smash that sin, that bad habit that holds you down and spoils your life. Calvary is the most powerful place in all history. At



Six converts recently baptised by Pastor W. R. Jones in the City Temple, Bristol.

Calvary, Satan's armour is removed. At Calvary, every claim of a righteous God is met. At Calvary, our condemnation is lifted. At Calvary, the defeat of sin is made certain. At Calvary, the shadows of death are dispelled. At Calvary, the door of heaven is opened for guilty sinners. My dear friends, the Cross of Christ is the only lever mighty enough to roll off crushed humanity the awful bondage placed upon it by Satan. There is a wonderful old revival hymn that you might remember; it goes something like this:

"Christ breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free, His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood avails for thee."

The delivering of men and women from the terrible power of sin was the only cause big enough to bring the Son of God from heaven to die on the Cross; and the death of Jesus Christ on the Cross of Calvary is the only power great enough to make that deliverance possible.

Thank you for reading this article up to this point. Permit me to ask you one or two personal questions. Have you ever confessed your sins to the Lord Jesus Christ? Have you ever quietly prayed and asked Christ to forgive those sins? Have you ever asked Him to give you the power to break the fetters of that evil habit that binds you? Why not ask Him now? You will find what countless millions have already proved, and that is

#### JESUS CHRIST WILL MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE TO YOU AND TO YOUR FAMILY AND TO YOUR HOME

By the way, if you feel you would like to have a chat with someone about this all-important matter, slip along to the local Elim church and have a talk with the minister. He will be delighted to meet you.

**GOSPEL GEMS** 

"The Wanderer's Return!"

"BLESSED is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly" (Psalm 1:1). "You can't have your cake and eat it" is a familiar worldly expression, but here is a chain of events in which a man not only had his cake and ate it but got it back again. Jesus first told this story and it has been told and retold down the ages ever since. It emphasises God's amazing love towards a repentant sinner!

In biblical days, dwelling in that land flowing with milk and honey were an aged homesteader and his two sons. They seemed a happy family till one day the younger son developed itchy feet, growing very restless and discontented with his lot. We are not told what caused his sudden desire to leave home. Perchance some belated traveller sitting far into the night had regaled them with the hectic exploits of the wild young bloods in the far-off cities and thereby fired the young man's vivid imagination. Without further ado he went to his father and asked for his share of the estate, in this case according to law amounting to one third, which his father immediately surrendered.

High-spirited youngsters leaving home for the first time in search of a career are a tough proposition! Like young eagles straining to fly and be off, failure never enters their minds. Life with a capital L lures them on! Many young folk, sad to relate, say goodbye to God at the same time as they wave farewell to their fond parents! When they can find time away goes the overdue postcard; "Dear mum and dad, having a good time," but are they? Around every corner Satan and his reception committee are lurking, seeking to lure them to their downfall!

When the dreaded day of reckoning comes they will find to their horror that they have not someone like Shylock, the merchant of Venice, to deal with. He only wanted a pound of flesh in payment, but they will find themselves in the relentless grip of Satan demanding their whole soul! No man will ever end up all square if he insists upon running with the wrong circle!

Now to follow the exploits of the young traveller. After much toil, dust-covered, parched and hungry, he eventually arrived at his destination, and immediately plunged into a spell of riotous living, recklessly wasting his substance. It is said that a fool and his money are soon parted, and this By Hugh Sawyer

was no exception. When he had spent all there arose a mighty famine in that land and he began to be in want! What of his good-time friends? Like the human vultures they were, they had plucked him clean and flown! Realising that to live he must eat and to eat he must work, the disillusioned young man sought means whereby he could survive. He quickly became aware that the industrial "plums" were not for "good-time boys" to feed upon.

Compelled by circumstances, he was forced to undertake the menial task of a swineherd, and as no man gave him food he reluctantly ate of the husks that were being consumed by his grunting charges husks, hard pods of the kapok cotton tree, which today would certainly be labelled "Unfit for human consumption."

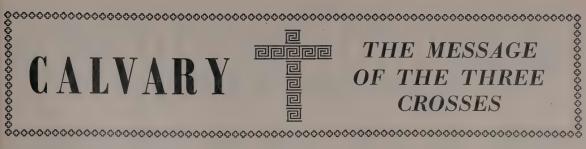
Miserable, lonely and homesick, he visualised his father's servants, well fed and content while he starved. He determined to go home even if it did mean eating "humble pie."

Meanwhile his father, keeping a nightly vigil, having a premonition that his erring son would return, kept watch. There is no mention of the mother; perhaps she had died of a broken heart. At last his father, seeing him a long way off, ran to meet him. "Father," sobbed the prodigal as the old man embraced him, "I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son." Calling his servants, the overjoyed father cried, "Bring forth the best robe and put it on him, put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet"—these being symbolical of restored status and sonship, for only slaves went about barefoot.

What has Christ to offer to a repentant sinner returning home? In place of a robe he is made a new creature in Christ Jesus, full and free salvation instead of a ring, and his feet shod with the Gospel of peace.

"Kill the fatted calf; let us eat and be merry, for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found!" commanded the father. In heaven there is similar rejoicing when a sinner repents and comes home to God.

The elder son, pharisaical, cold and without charity, was displeased and would not enter in, not having learned that a true child of God loses nothing, no matter if one or a thousand brothers repent and return home, because his inheritance is sure in Christ Jesus and no man can take it from him!



VERYONE who has heard of Calvary knows that on that rugged hill stood three crosses, upon which were slain two thieves and the Son of God. Three crosses-for as Christ was there for a Divine purpose so were the others, for on Calvary the drama of man's redemption was being enacted, the world was on trial, and

#### **YOU ARE THERE!**

Let the searchlight of Divine revelation focus its illuminating beam upon that sacred hill. Before each cross is examined two expressions must be explained. Sin in a person means the tendency to do wrong, the proneness to evil-in short, sinful human natureand little intelligence is needed to concede the Scripture true on this doctrine. Sin on a person means, for the purpose of this article, responsibility for sin before Almighty God, for, make no mistake, every living soul will be judged. We are sinners by nature and also because of actual deeds of sin, and while the first is not your responsibility the second is, for condemnation will not be for Adam's sin but for your own!

Look again at Calvary, and see in the first cross that of

### CONDEMNATION

for here was a man with sin in him and on him. He was a criminal, a thief, a murderer, paying the penalty of his crimes before men and God, fully deserving his punishment, unrepentant to the last, rejecting the virtue of Christ's sacrifice. Then there was a centre cross, bearing the blessed Sufferer of sin and shame, and in this is seen the cross of

#### SUBSTITUTION

for this Man had sin on Him, but not in Him. The perfection of Christ is a necessary doctrine, and a vital qualification for the Lamb of God. Not only had He never sinned, but He never had a sinful nature, for there was no tendency to sin: the temptation for Him was external. His virgin birth was made necessary by the requirement of a perfect sacrifice. Read Isaiah 53 and gaze again at your Sacrifice on that centre gibbet. Listen to Peter's words, "Who

his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree," and He "bore it all alone" for you !

A prairie fire raged in Canada, threatening a little township, and the position looked critical until someone burned the surrounding countryside. This left a charred out-district, but prevented the oncoming conflagration reaching the wooden houses. Calvary was God's "scorched earth" policy in dealing with sin, for where the judgement fires of God's wrath have fallen there is no fear of a second visitation. He took your punishment, and there is a pardon for all your sin. Hallelujah !

Turn your eyes upon the third cross, for this depicts

#### **SALVATION**

This man had sin in him, but not on him. Of course, he was no better morally than the first thief, for he had no time to live a life of good works to merit Divine favour. He had plundered and murdered just the same, and yet he was saved eternally. Why? What made the difference? In his heart there was repentance, for he confessed his sins, even though he had previously cursed Christ. Also in his heart was saving faith, not in his own goodness but in that of another, for he learned in a moment what some people fail to learn after a lifetime of hearing Gospel preaching. He believed in Christ's power to save. The majesty of Christ's suffering Spirit testified to His innocence. The first thief's hope said "If"; the second thief's faith said "Lord," and instant faith brought an immediate answer, an instant salvation ! A short prayer, but how powerful in its effect on the heart of the Saviour.

This picture rules out any thought of self-righteousness, for good works and merits are excluded; the dying thief had no time to work his passage ! No, it was imputed righteousness that saved his soul, righteousness through Christ, and that can be yours if you will only seek Him.

> " Upon a life I could not live, Upon a death I dare not die, Another's life, Another's death-I stake my whole eternity."

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# HOW TO LIVE LIKE A CHRISTIAN

The other day when reading a Christian magazine I was arrested by the title I have used for this week's page. I read on, as you are doing now, and I decided that you should have the opportunity of reading it, so here it is. It was written a few years ago by the late Dr. F. B. Meyer, a choice Bible teacher and evangelist of his day. This is his testimony of how he entered into a deeper experience with his Lord.

THAT night I knelt and thought that I could give myself to Christ very easily. I gave him the keyring of my will, with all the keys of my life on it (except one little one).

Then I heard Him say, "Are they all here?"

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"Yes," I said, "all but one, the key of a tiny closet in my heart, of which I must keep control."

"But if you don't trust Me in all, you don't trust Me at all."

I tried to make terms. "Lord, I will be devoted in everything else, but I can't live without the contents of that closet." I believe that my whole life was hovering in the balance, and if I had kept the key of that closet and had mistrusted Christ He never would have trusted me to give out His blessed Word. He seemed to be receding from me, and I called Him back and sobbed, "I am not willing, but I am willing to be made willing."

It seemed as though He took that key from me and went straight for that closet (I knew what He would find there, and He knew, too) and opened it.

Within a week He had cleared it all out. But He filled it with something so much better! Why, what a fool I had been! He took away the sham jewels and gave me the real ones. He took away the idol that was eating out my life and gave me Himself.

Now, that is the point. Have you given Him every key? Is all your will in His hands? If He should send you to India, to Japan, would you go? Have you given up the dearest idol that your heart knows? Do you want only to be the slave of Jesus?

If you have done this, it is the beginning of a life that is full and satisfying.

After you have done this there is something very important you should know.

God has put all His fullness into Jesus, and after

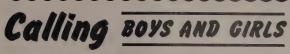
you have given all to Jesus you should take all from Jesus. Let me give you a little lesson in mathematics. Suppose I draw a curve; then the remainder of the circumference needed to make the curve into a circle is the complement or completion of the curve. The curve and the complement together make one circle. If the curve is short it needs a large completion, and if the curve is long it needs a small completion. But whether the curve is large or small it is not a circle without its completion.

You are the curve. The less there is of you, the more you need the completion of Christ. The more there is of you, the less you have of Christ. But Christ and you are complete, to meet any need that may come to you in time or eternity.

The problem is to learn how to appropriate for your life this completeness He has ready for you. Hundreds of Christians do not know the difference between praying for a thing and taking it. Nearly everything in Christian growth depends upon knowing how to take the fullness of Christ.

It used to be that when I managed to resist temptation, and overcome Satan, I congratulated myself and was thankful. Then I met an old clergyman who told me there was something better than that. He said: "When I am tempted I turn to Christ and take the opposite grace. If I am tempted of impurity, I don't simply rebut the temptation; I turn to Christ and take His purity and then put it against the temptation to impurity. When I am tempted to irritability —and I am naturally very irascible—I don't simply pull myself together and say, 'No, I must not yield,' but I turn to my Lord and take a new cargo of His sweet temper." This is a glorious way of living. It mortifies Satan that we should take what he means to be a stumbling-block and make a stepping-stone out of it; that we should take his temptation as a reminder to get more from Christ. Paul said he gloried in his infirmity, in his weakness, in his need, in his helplessness. He said, "I am glad for it all. I would not have it otherwise, because when I am weak, then I am strong; the lower I am, the more I obtain of Christ."

It seems to me that you may be almost glad if you are deficient in many things that make other men strong, once you have learned to get them from Christ. You have not eloquence, but He gives you utterance. You have not wealth, but He gives you plenty. You have not sweetness, but He has all loveliness. You have no strength, but there is plenty in the Lion of the tribe of Judah. You are not meek; He is the Lamb that was slain. Anything you need you can get from Him. You and Christ together can meet the world.



#### By Bernard H. Norris

Hello again !

"Look out !" I called to my wife. She looked out of the window ! Tearing towards the house came Benny, dragging with him his little brother, Little Ben, who was about half Benny's age. Not being able to keep up with his brother, he was being half carried along. The snow was fairly deep on the ground, and I could guess why they were coming to visit me. Snowball fighting !

Down the street they came, and in the front gate. Bangity bang bang on the front door. We kept quiet. Rrrrriiiing at the bell. Still we kept quiet. It was a shame, I felt, but after Benny and Little Ben, not to mention baby Butch (otherwise known as His Nibs), all over Christmas I had had enough for a while.

They soon tired of banging and ringing, and we saw them set off home. Benny started to push a lump of snow up the hill, and was fascinated to see it get bigger. Little Ben helped, and soon they had a great big snowball, getting bigger and bigger until it towered above them. I dashed out of the room, grabbed my coat, and flew down the stairs three at a time. I ripped open the front door and burst out of the house, down the short path to the gate. I was just in time, as I thought. A great pile of snow was rolling down the hill just behind the two boys, who were running for all they were worth. Suddenly over went Little Ben ! Benny stopped to pick him up, but the snowball was gathering speed, and before Benny could stand up—whump!—the snowball hit But how are you to obtain these advantages? That is the question. People think that they receive these benefits by praying for them. That is not the method, if praying means supplicating in a kind of hopeless way, wondering if you will really have your need for Christ's fullness met and satisfied. I have learned in my prayer to receive, to take. You need only come and take what you need.

Then believe at that moment that you do receive Jesus to be evermore in you what you have been wanting.

Do not fear temptation. Do not fear that you will fail. Do not dread defeat. Instead, know that the moment a poor trembling heart lays itself at the feet of Christ, and one thin, languid hand touches the hem of His garment, that moment virtue streams in to be the complement of even twelve years of weakness!

him. Arms and legs went flying, and scarves spun round in the air.

Fortunately the dustbin had not been emptied since Christmas, and it was packed full. With a mighty heave, I just managed to get it on to the pavement in time. Tthhuummpp ! The snowball cannoned into it, and after slithering a few yards it finally stopped. I soon managed to scrape the two boys out of the snow, none the worse for their amazing ride. "Coo" said Benny. "Journey into space ! " "Pudnik !" shouted Little Ben, digging the snow out of his neck.

An hour later both boys sat in front of a blazing fire drinking hot milk, their clothes safely dried and on them again, nice and warm. I could not miss the opportunity !

"You know, boys, that snowball was just like sin. We think we can control it, and a little won't matter, but after a time it gets bigger than we can manage until at last it is bigger than we are, and *it* controls *us*. Beware of little sins. They soon get big."

Benny fidgeted. I was getting "religious," as he always said. "Er—well, thanks for the drink Uncle Bernard. Er—I've gotta get Little Ben home now." Little Ben loudly protested at that, but Benny grabbed him determinedly, and they were soon halfway up the road.

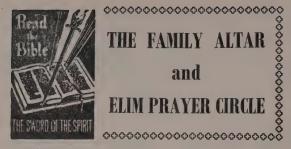
I hope he took in what I said. Do you think he did?

Cheerio, and God bless you.

UNCLE BERNARD.

PS. Thank you for your nice Christmas cards, readers.

P.PS. Coming soon-THE OUTLAW !



Scripture Union Portions. Notes by R. B. Chapman (Minister of Sheffield Elim Church)

#### Monday, January 18th. Genesis 9 : 1-17

For the first time in Scripture we are introduced to the **rainbow**. It is possible that this was never seen before the flood, because we understand it is caused by the refractions and reflections of the sun's rays from the raindrops, and rain is never mentioned before the deluge; in fact Genesis 2 : 5 declares that in those early days dew watered the ground. This being so, it is easy to understand that God should select or appoint (so means the word "set" in verse 13) this new and arresting phenomenon of extreme beauty to be the token of promise that never again would the vast civilisation of mankind be destroyed in a watery grave. The bow remains and so does God's promise; every time we see it arching the skies in its colourful splendour we are reminded of God's faithfulness and mercy.

#### Tuesday, January 19th. Genesis 11:1-19

The sad error of carnal ambition is shown in the erection of Babylon (Babel), which ended in confusion. Note the mistakes: (a) humanly conceived—God not mentioned in the speculation (Psalm 127:1); (b) emulating Cain, the murderer who built the first city (Genesis 4:17); (c) substitutes used (v. 3)—the unreal, counterfeit, artificial, imitation never pleases God; (d) wrong foundation—no stone in Shinar, hence the bricks, therefore the foundations must have been the uncertain, sandy soil of the plain (Matthew 7); (e) working to reach heaven, by human effort meant to invade the heavenlies (perhaps this was the ancient parallel of modern space exploration); (f) inspired by pride (v. 4), desiring to "make a name"; (g) contrary to God—God said "fill again the earth"; they wanted to stay and not spread. These actions ever bring confusion.

#### Wednesday, January 20th. Genesis 11:31-12:9

Abram grew up amid heathen idolatry (Joshua 24 : 2), Ur being the centre of moon-god worship. Chaldea was also highly civilised and intellectual, excavations revealing that mathematical problems equivalent to our modern university standards were tackled there. Intellect does not remove idolatry. From this God called out Abram (Acts 7 : 2, 3). Terah accompanied Abram to Haran (obviously named after his dead son), where they sojourned. Apparently Terah brought his idolatry and established it in Haran, for history shows that it eventually became a greater centre of moon worship than Ur had been. After the death of Terah God reappeared to Abram and led him into Canaan. This significantly suggests that we must be severed from the flesh and idolatry ere we can fully accomplish God's purposes.

#### Thursday, January 21st. Genesis 12: 10-20

Abram left the "place of the altar" and met famine. Impetuously, and led by human wisdom (no mention of prayer or instruction from God), he fled to Egypt (type of worldliness and bondage) outside the area of promise. This resulted in lies (v. 13), inspired by selfishness (v. 12), which brought suffering to others (v. 17) and almost led to dreadful disaster (v. 19). Never allow circumstances to drive you into the world for selfish advantage or through lack of faith, otherwise there will be a sure involvement in deteriorating practices which can end in sorry shame. How humiliating to observe that a Gentile, idolatrous king showed more honour and principle than the friend of God. Let us not fail God in like ways.

#### Friday, January 22nd. Genesis 13: 1-18

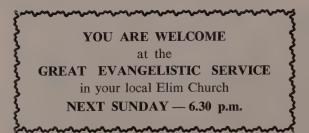
From the scenes of deception and deportation how wonderful to note that Abram went back to the "place of the altar," calling upon the Lord as formerly. Whenever we impetuously wander, self dominates or we fail, let us hasten back to the "place of the altar" (Calvary) and there humbly call upon the Lord for mercy. That is the place of real blessing. Difficulty soon arose. I wonder how much Abram's recent failure had been responsible for this friction. His testimony was marred, God's man had fallen, the herdsmen's respect had been destroyed, their confidence had been shaken, they were frustrated and critical; so friction and insubordination crept in and there was trouble. Abram was now, however, in the right spirit to handle the situation and establish peace. One must be in the right place and correctly related to God to triumph in the problems of life and keep the peace.

#### Saturday, January 23rd. Genesis 14:8-24

Yesterday revealed Abram as a great champion of **peace among brethren**, as at sacrifice he effected harmony. Now we see him in a very **militant mood**, coming against the confederacy of the four Babylonish kings (typical of formal, superstitious religions) and the five petty kings of the Jordan plains (representing the evils of a sensuous life) in whose hands Lot is held captive. The people of faith (the Church) should always be at peace with one another, but ever engaged in relentless and remorseless war (spiritually) with the world, the flesh and the Devil to reclaim their fallen brethren and retrieve the captives. Too often the Church desires an amicable armistice with the world, but we must terminate all tempting truces and determinedly attack the enemy's territory.

#### Sunday, January 24th. Genesis 15:1-18

The noble faith of Abram is here presented (v. 6). To encourage this faith God made him look in the right direction (heavenward) and also gave him an evidence of assurance as a stimulant for the future and a proof that this was not just wishful thinking and imagination. The proof presents Jesus Christ in type form. Among the three beasts there is no wild animal, but those which serve to meet men's needs. How like Christ ! Heifer, the patient worker of the East-Jesus wrought salvation's plan; she-goat, the victim for sin (Leviticus 16); ram, foreshadowing the ram of consecration and the trespass offering (Leviticus 5 and 8). These three were cut, marred and pierced, suggesting the human side of Christ which was manifest for three years and suffered. The dove and pigeon speak of the Divine side of Christ, remaining unmarred and unmutilated. They could rise and He rose to prove His deity. God passed through as the purifier (furnace) and enlightener (lamp), and through Jesus there passes to us the purifying blood and enlightening spirit.



# COMING EVENTS

(Please pray for these services)

COULSDON. January 16. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road. Monthly United Pentecostal Rally, Speaker: Donald Gee (A.O.G.). Leader: W. G. Hathaway (Elim). Special singing and testimony by Kenley Bible College students. 7.

ISLINGTON. January 16-18. Elim Church, Lennox Road, Finsbury Park. East London Revival Rally. Speaker: C. Brookes. Sat. 3 and 6.30, Mon. 7.30.

THORNTON HEATH. January 23, 24. Elim Church, Mersham Road. Special Convention services. Speaker: Joseph Smith. Sat. 7, Sun. 11 and 6.30.

WESTCLIFF. January 23. Opening of new Elim Church, Electric Avenue (corner of Fairfax Drive). Speakers expected: H. W. Greenway, C. J. E. Kingston, G. Stormont and others. Convener: George Backhouse. 3.30.

#### PRESIDENTIAL ITINERARY

Scotland. January 16, Greenock; 17, Glasgow (a.m.), Paisley (p.m.); 18, Motherwell; 19, Alloa; 20, Coatbridge; 21. Dundee.

Swindon District. January 30, Swindon; 31, Bath; February 1, Cheltenham; 2, Keynsham; 3, Bristol; 4, Wells. Devon and Cornwall. February 20, Paignton; 21, Exeter; 22, Penzance; 23, Falmouth; 24, Newquay; 25, Torquay;

27, 28, Plymcuth.

#### LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR

January 17, Holloway prison and Clapham (Central Church); 23, Waldegrave Hall (West End); 31 Tooting Central Hall; February 6, Southend; 7, Westcliff-on-Sea; 13, Tunbridge Wells; 21, Holloway prison and Bethnal Green Medical Mission; 28, Wormwood Scrubs and Watford; March 5, 6, Worcester; 13, Maidstone; 14, Hammersmith; 20, Braintree; April 15-17, Bournemouth; May 28, 29, Bristol (B.B.C. broadcast on Sunday evening).

MISS M. PAINT'S MISSIONARY TOUR January 24, Bermondsey; 27, Aldershot.

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