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"Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."—Jude 3.

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The Latter Rain Still Falling.

God promised that He would give the early and the latter rain. (Joel 3:2, 3, and James 5:7, 8.) He gave the early rain at Pentecost, and now He is giving us the latter rain, not moderately, but largely, upon every clean soul that will receive Him. There is nothing that can stop this mighty power of the Holy Ghost. It is going on till the clouds part and Jesus takes up the few that dare to stand and to keep all His commandments.

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CAMP-MEETING.

This campground is a sacred spot to every child of God that comes on the grounds. There are fifteen acres shaded with trees and many tents, and more coming all the time. Meeting began June 13th and will continue, the Lord willing, till the first of September. The power is falling. Souls are being saved, sanctified, or baptized at most every service. The Lord has given us a Gospel Wagon that goes out on the streets and many drunkards are being saved and some coming to the Campmeeting and seeking the Lord.

As they were erecting the tents, the Spirit of God was so mightily on the grounds that the men walked about as under the power of the Spirit. It seemed that heaven was on the grounds. One young man that had been saved a night or two before was lending his assistance, and he said, "This place seems so sacred, I am afraid to speak."

One sister, who had been very sick, got out of bed in faith to come and see the camp-ground, and the moment she stepped on the ground, the power of God struck her and went through her body from head to foot, and she was instantly healed. Everyone notes the presence of God on this camp-ground, as we have never had it before.

The first meeting on the ground was on Sunday and the power of God marked the service. When the altar call was given, many responded. Sinners were saved. One was a Roman Catholic young man. He had been brought up in that faith and God got him under such conviction that he stood up for prayer and then knelt down in the aisle and when souls were invited to come to the altar, he ran to the altar and fell under the power and the Spirit literally turned him over, and he arose and jumped on one of the benches and began to plead with souls to come to God, saying, "Put down the curtains that no one may get away before coming to Jesus." It was a thrilling scene.

A man and wife were planning to go to Washington, and they happened to come into the meeting, hearing the singing, and God convicted them of sin and saved them both. The husband was suffering with his hand, having run a bolt through it, and it was swollen and black, and Jesus healed it instantly, as he knelt at the altar and wept his way to Calvary. The following Sunday he received his baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire, and they went on their way praising God for the campmeeting on West Avenue.

Many on the camp-grounds are testifying to healing. Two were healed of rupture. One brother testified that after coming on the grounds, he threw off his bandage and truss by faith in God and not a mark remains. A young lady, who was given up by the doctors, was instantly healed, and another with consumption was healed and baptized with the Holy Ghost. One woman came on the grounds so weak that she could hardly walk and the doctor had told her there was no help without an operation and she is well and doing her work. She testified the other day, "Jesus healed me when I had to wear a supporter on my body for two years, and when the doctor said I must be operated on, but when I came to the Lord He healed me, and when I laid all on the altar, husband and children, He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire." Her husband said the other day, "It is a marvelous thing that the Lord has done for that wife of mine."

A young man came from the hospital writhing in pain and God healed him. One man came with his neck stiff with rheumatism, not able to raise his head up, and God instantly healed him. Praise God.

THE GOSPEL WAGON.

One Sunday, during a drizzling rain, crowds of men stood and listened for hours to the Gospel preached from the Gospel Wagon. Many were melted to tears. Two altar services were conducted on the street corners, the men kneeling on the muddy streets and being truly saved of God. One that was saved came out to the campmeeting a few nights afterward and was sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost with Bible evidence. Some testimonies from the Gospel Wagon are on this page.

SAVED FROM A DRUNKARD'S HELL.

I am here to magnify the Christ that brought me and sought me and saved me. The fire of heaven is now burning in this soul that once was burned out by the fire of alcohol. There is not one desire or power of my soul but what is satisfied with this salvation.

This love was given to my soul when I was a drunkard, when every nerve and every tissue of my body was crying for whiskey. Christ came into my life. I praise God that He raised this old dead man to life, and put the vitality of heaven in my soul. He raised me to walk in newness of life.

I would take my coat and sell it for a cheap drink. I followed the sin game till I thought I would die if I did not get it. I was a slave. The devil had a big handcuff around each wrist. He had me going his way; but Jesus broke the shackles, and now I am going up stream by the power of God. I was only 21 then, now I am 42. The last half of my life has been the best.

I thank God that I am living on borrowed time. I was almost dead with alcoholism. My hand trembled like an aspen. Once while lying dead drunk, the snow covered me and saved my life. At another time I was drowning, going down to a drunkard's hell, and I praise God for sending someone to save my life. I am giving back my very life, mentally, morally and physically to the very Christ that loved me and gave Himself for me.

SAVED FROM MORPHINE.

Last summer I was low down in sin, an old cocaine and morphine fiend. Oh, how I praise Jesus that He should ever think of me away down in the gutter of sin, when I could not go about the streets without an old razor to open my flesh when I wanted to take that stuff. When I look at my body and arms and see the scars where I cut myself over my whole body, and when I see the scar on my throat where I tried to commit suicide by cutting my throat with a razor, I cannot help but magnify my Christ. I was in despair because I could see no way out of the old sin game. The doctors said the jugular vein was nearly severed. I praise God because He held my hand from taking my own life. But when I got better, I went back to the old "dope" again.

If ever a soul praised Jesus, I do. I used to pay the constable to put me in jail to save my life. I can stand up and tell you of the power of the Blood of Jesus Christ. I cannot tell what God has done for me. All I know is that I

have been redeemed. "Whom the Son makes free is free indeed."

I praise Him for the Gospel Wagon on the streets of Portland, where I heard a precious sister tell what God had done for her, and the Lord glued my feet to the sidewalk, as it were. God touched my heart. It was the happiest day of my life. I was so drunk and full of "dope" that I fell through the wagon wheels when they tried to pray for me. I had a quart bottle of whiskey in my pocket, but God has taken the drink devil out.

He gave me power to go and straighten up my back tracks and tell the saloon keeper when he asked me why I did not come any more, that I had found salvation that was able to keep. He sneered at me, but I told him I knew it was God because I could not change of myself, but it took the power of the Blood of Jesus to do it.

This is the mighty power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. I have been there in the gutter, men, and I know what it means, but the dying love of Christ on Calvary sought my soul and put a go-through in my soul.

O men, I love the Christ this afternoon that saved my soul, bound down by every appetite and power of hell; but He snapped every band in the twinkling of an eye. O men, this salvation full and free reaches out to you and me. It is for you, God bless you. There is no case too hard for our Christ.

Heard the Gospel While on the Chain Gang.—I thank and praise God that I can stand here and say I am saved by the power and Blood of Jesus Christ. A little over 18 months ago, I stood in a saloon and the patrol wagon drove up and took me to Kelly's Butte, and it was there, on the chain gang, I heard this Gospel and God spoke to my soul. And I know this is the power of God unto salvation. I was 25 years a blasphemer, a burglar and drunkard; but I praise God I stand here today saved by the power of Jesus Christ, who is mighty to save. There is power in the Blood to break every power of hell and disease, to cast out that old whiskey demon and tobacco demon. O men, there is power in the Blood of Jesus Christ to save your soul and make you over again in His image.

A Bartender Saved.—I praise God for salvation full and free, that saved a sinner like me. I used to be a bartender. I promised my mother, when I came from the old country, that I would be a good boy; but I wanted to have an easier time, and I went to the bar and that proved my downfall. I had that ambition that I wanted to be somebody. I went from worse to worse, but I am saved today. When I was in the Philippine Islands, I heard that my mother was dead, and something said, "You have got to live a better life, but I could not do it. I got worse and worse. I would go around and get drunk and play cards all night. Today I know a better way to live. I am saved through the Blood of Christ. I am in the army of the Lord, holding up the Blood-stained banner. All the appetite of sin is taken out. I pass the saloon and do not want to go in there at all. It is all through the Blood of Jesus Christ."

AN IRISH CATHOLIC DRUNKARD SAVED.

I praise God for being a witness for Jesus. It was hard knocks that brought me to the Lord Jesus Christ. It was jail life. There is not a man on the sidewalk as low down as I was. Any man down the line—there is hope for you. There is hope for the jail-bird. The old rambler—there is hope for you. Praise the Lord.

When God can save a hard-headed Irishman, He can save anybody. There is scarcely a city in the Union that I have not been in. The secret service knows me through the country. I have been in jails all the way from Massa-

chusetts to Los Angeles. I was professing religion behind the bars. It did not look very good for my religion to be behind the bars and profess it. But, I praise God that whereas I was blind, now I see.

I went to the priest to get saved and confessed to the priests, but that did not keep me out of the saloon. Then I went to the mission and heard the songs and testimonies of the dear ones that were the means of bringing me to Christ. And I put up my hand for prayer. I prayed the publican's prayer and God answered that prayer, and I am saved today and sober. It took the mighty power of God to liberate this Irishman. What has made me sober? The Keeley Cure? No, it is the Blood of Jesus Christ. I tell you it is wonderful when Christ can save an Irish drunkard.

Boys, the greatest change you ever make in your life is to give your heart to God and forsake the life of sin. You don't have to get "broke" any more. I work every day and carry the hod. Some days I carry it up three or four flights up the ladder, but Jesus Christ can keep you while carrying the hod.

If you are born of the Spirit of God, you are in the church of the first born. Through Godly sorrow for sin, you can get your name in heaven. It is not joining the church. He says, "Ye must be born again." He gives you joy and happiness the world cannot take away. It will cost you everything. You cannot hold on to a thing to get the real victory through the Blood of Jesus Christ. You will be as free as a bird in the air. I never was free till Jesus Christ set me free. By God's grace, I have forsaken all, and trying to follow Jesus Christ. There is something in me that will go through a stone wall for God.

Jesus is the Rock in a weary land. He is a shelter in the time of storm. It was a stormy time when I left the old county jail, disgusted with "doing time," but I praise God for the Blood and victory. I thank God I am sober. He loves old "jail birds" and hoboes. There is hope for them.

Two socialists that heard the Gospel on the street where they were upholding socialism, came to the mission and got saved. The Blood of Jesus has more power than socialism.

A Drunkard's Testimony.—He saved me from 35 years of drunkenness. I was an old tobacco fiend for 30 years. Every time I would get drunk I would make resolutions, but I could not pass by the saloon without going in and getting a drink. God took away the tobacco habit and the drink habit and saved my soul from a drunkard's hell. If there is a drunkard here tonight, just trust Jesus. He will take it away. My blessed Jesus will heal your body. He healed me from 30 years of heart trouble when the doctors could do nothing for me. Who has a better right to praise God than me?"

In a Chinese family in Shanghai, China, the son, who was on his death bed, was healed of consumption, the father reclaimed and is seeking his baptism. The son and daughter are hungry for the Spirit to take full possession and their homes are thrown open to the Gospel.

RESCUE MISSION IN CHINA.

We praise God that the Chinese in Hongkong who are baptized with the Holy Ghost have the real rescue spirit. They have opened a rescue mission and the hall is packed every night with Chinese. God is blessing this work. Many morphine fiends are finding Jesus. The time has come for us to go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in. Jesus said to the Pharisees, "The publicans and the harlots go into the Kingdom of God before you," and to the woman taken in adultery, He said, "Go, and sin no more." How we praise God for the precious souls that are finding Jesus in far away China.

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This paper would be No. 21 from the beginning in Los Angeles, but it is No. 7 of Portland. We said it was moved from Los Angeles when we should have stated we were starting a new Apostolic Faith of Portland, as nothing was moved except two lists of subscribers, leaving 20 complete lists of all subscribers in Los Angeles. We ask the forgiveness of any souls that have been grieved over the mistake.

THE PAPER PUBLISHED ON THE CAMP-GROUND.

This paper is sent out from the campmeeting. The papers are taken to the tabernacle in sacks to be prayed over after the altar service at night and every reader has a share in the prayers of the saints. The last papers were sent all over the world from the camp-ground. We have been sending to the missionaries in all lands that all might have an opportunity to hear of this outpouring of the Spirit. The power falls when we pray over the paper, and falls on the readers. The papers are taken down to the city to be mailed. The saints feel it a privilege to have a part even in carrying the papers. The young man that was saved from Catholicism has carried the sacks of papers down on his back many nights. We never had a paper that was a blessing to so many readers as the last one. The letters tell that the power fell when they touched it. The power went through many as they read the paper. How we thank God. Some received their baptism through the paper, some were healed.

One dear sister writes: "Last night, I received a few of your dear papers. It filled me with the Spirit until I thought I would have to stay up all night. Thank the Lord. As I read of the wonderful outpouring of God's Spirit on all of you, my very heart magnified God. I would read awhile, then praise God. Then He would speak and sing for Himself. Amen. Oh, such blessing and power. My very soul was lifted. Such a feast. Bless God. I cannot find words to express myself. Hallelujah. As I read the papers, the power seemed to penetrate through my being. God is surely working miracles in these last days. Bless His name."

"TARRY YE UNTIL."

Jesus' departing words were, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on High. Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto Me." Our Christ wants witnesses empowered for service. The sanctifying power of Jesus Christ puts a faithfulness in the soul that the justified soul never had. But that is not all, there is something in our hearts that crave the fulness, and that in the endowment of power for service.

As Jesus departed into heaven they stood gazing upward, and two angels appeared and said, "This same Jesus that is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven." He had given them a command to "Tarry until." They went back to Jerusalem, just a few. There are always just a few that are going to take the narrow way.

They tarried in the upper room and true to His Word the Holy Ghost came down and "filled all the place where they were sitting." They heard a rushing mighty wind and, glory to God, cloven tongues as of fire were seen on each of them. And they began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Glory to God, beloved, you will never be satisfied until you receive the rushing mighty wind in your soul, and have the Third Person of the Trinity, the Holy Ghost, come in and take up His abode, and He will speak for Himself,

and truly our Christ will make you a witness to the uttermost parts of the earth.

They went out from that place, and God confirmed the Word with signs and wonders. The lame man leaped and walked and it stirred the whole place, and today wherever Jesus works it stirs the enemy.

Sanctification cleanses the heart from sin and perfects it in the graces of the Spirit, but what does the baptism do? Oh, it puts a mighty go-through, an everlasting standing power in your soul, that, though the powers of hell may roll and surge, they cannot touch you. There is something hid away in your soul that stands like the Rock of Ages. That is what the real power of the Holy Ghost does. That is what they received on the Day of Pentecost and the souls that get it today are able to go out and proclaim liberty to captive souls in a way we never could before.

Today when the cigarette fiends and drunkards come to the altar, God gives us power to rebuke the devil and he goes out instantly and Jesus comes in and the appetite of smoking and drinking is gone, and they are saved and have no desire to smoke and drink any more, because the devil has gone out. The power that He gives to proclaim liberty to the captives is wonderful.

We can say today to every soul that is honest with God and tarrying for the mighty outpouring of the Spirit, it is written, "The promise is unto you."

SANCTIFICATION.

In justification, the Blood covers your sins and you know you are a child of God, but you have not the Christ enthroned within and ruling supreme. But when you present your body a living sacrifice unto God, the Christ comes down and enthrones Himself in your soul. Hallelujah to Jesus, for the power of Christ, the Lamb of God enthroned in your very soul. The Prince of Peace rules. Everything has become calm and there is no tempest or turmoil. If there were, our Christ would take His flight, but the Blood has eradicated that inbred sin that manifested itself at times and that you smothered down. The Blood has taken it out, and the Christ comes and enthrones Himself in your heart. Now it is "Not I, but Christ that liveth in me." And you can cry out with John the Baptist, "Let me decrease and let Christ increase." It is always "Jesus only" in your soul. There is something in your life that is hiding behind Jesus all the time. Oh, how we praise God for the sanctifying Blood of Jesus Christ.

TYPE OF THE TRIBULATION AND OF JESUS' COMING.

The flood typifies the great Tribulation that is coming upon all the earth. When the flood came, the ark was lifted on the bosom of the water, so before the Tribulation comes, the bride of Christ will be caught up to meet Him in the air. Christ is our ark. He is going to take His bride out of the great Tribulation.

Then after the flood, we know the ark came down and rested on the mount. So Christ is coming back to the earth with His saints after the Tribulation, to reign on the earth. The ark resting on the mount is a type of the coming of Jesus with ten thousand of His saints, when "His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives." Zech. 14:4. We must be prepared to go up with Jesus in the first resurrection, when He comes as a thief in the night, or we cannot come back with Him.

The bride must come out of the world and become one with Him before the Tribulation, just as Noah and his family had to come into the ark before the door was shut. We know the time is short for as it was in the days of Noah so it is in these days of the coming of the Son of Man. (Matt. 24:36-39.) During the time of the awful pouring out of the wrath of God on this old world, the bride will be up in the clouds with Jesus. (I Thess. 4:16, 17.)

As the water rushes on its course to the ocean, so does the soul that is born of God reach out for Him till it comes in touch with the great power house of heaven. Glory to God. The Blood of

Jesus was sweet and precious when we were justified; and it seemed as if heaven had broken over us when the sanctifying power of God broke over our souls, making the way clear and plain into the Holiest; then when we waited with heart open and clean, soon the Holy Ghost and fire in rivers of living water baptized us soul and body, and streams broke out sometimes in the unknown tongue, sometimes in singing and overflowed. This baptism does satisfy the soul. (John 7:38, 39.)

FAITH AND WORKS.

How many of us know whether our next door neighbor is a widow or in need? Are we living this religion? We say that Jesus is coming soon, and many live as if He were not coming for 25 years. If you believe it, you are going to live as if you believed it. You are not going to heap to yourselves riches. Our God is not wanting people now to build great homes and bank up money. Oh if you only knew the value of money expended for God.

How many men are coming out of the jail without shoes or shirts to their backs, and you have clothes in your closets you are laying up for the future. John the Baptist said before Jesus began His ministry, "He that hath two coats let him impart to him that hath none."

We must practice what we preach. How many of us are going to the prison and carrying comfort to those behind the bars? Christ requires you to live out His life. Beloved, let us not forget to do the little things as unto Him. Oh, how many of us would love to break the alabaster box on our Christ's head, but are we willing to break it on the poor? Many would be willing to wash our Christ's feet, but would not go and give even a bath towel to a soul that needs it or go and visit the sick. If we see our brother have need and shut up our bowels of compassion, how dwelleth the love of God in us? If we say, "Lord, Lord" and do not His will, it is nothing.

When God sent the Holy Ghost and clothed His people with power to do His work, they had all things common, and none of them said that ought of the things which he possessed was his own. Many are praying for "Power, Power," but how about paying the price of power? No soul is going up with Jesus when He comes but those that have the "all things common" spirit. We cannot have a miserly spirit and have the Spirit of Christ.

SEASONS OF BLESSING.

We have the ordinances of the Lord's Supper and Foot Washing the first Monday of every month, after the general audience has been dismissed and the saints only remain. The last Sunday before we left the hall, the power of God was mightily upon the services all that day, many being saved and some baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. It was a wonderful day on the street with the Gospel Wagon, about a score kneeling on the cobblestones and calling on God for mercy and salvation. The Monday night following was given up entirely to the body of the saints. The time will long be remembered for the unity of the Spirit and power of God that rested on the whole service. When the ordinances were observed, heaven seemed to open and divine love filled every soul. When the elements, the bread and wine were partaken of, the saints were on their knees all over the hall and a melting spirit of praise and weeping and joy prevailed.

As the saints washed each other's feet, you would see two or more saints washing the feet of another, each one feeling it such a privilege to do it as unto the Lord. The act of humility was lost sight of in the love that prevailed. They were weeping for joy, singing in the Spirit, rejoicing and their faces shining with the glory of God.

The crowds pressed up the hallway, and at one time pushed into the hall, hearing the singing in the Spirit and praising God, which sounded way out on the street. We had a similar scene on the camp-ground. Souls are deepened in God at these services and almost always some sick one partaking of the Lord's supper is healed through

faith, in taking the atonement of Jesus for the healing of the body as well as the salvation of the soul. The children love this service. The Lord blesses them and it is sweet to see them wash each other's feet.

THE MIRACULOUS POWER OF THE HOLY GHOST.

A young woman who had been called to China for some years, was attending a campmeeting in Canada, about two years ago. The leader asked all to stand who wanted the baptism of the Holy Ghost, but He had been laboring to prove that the speaking in tongues is not the witness or Bible evidence of Pentecost. As the sister called to China arose with the others, she immediately received her baptism and fell under the power of God, speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. In the Spirit, she seemed to be conversing with the Chinese and explaining to them why she had not gone to them sooner. The congregation soon gathered around her and all heard her speaking in an unknown tongue and knew that the power of Pentecost had fallen upon her.

During the past winter the Lord's time came for her to go, and He graciously opened her way to China. Shortly after landing in North China, while praying with a Chinese teacher for his healing, the Spirit spoke through her, saying in the most perfect Chinese which this educated Chinaman understood, "Look to Jesus for your healing." Praise God for this witness of the miraculous power of the Holy Ghost. To God be the glory.

"IN THE LAST DAYS."

This Pentecost has almost belted the globe in the last three years. And the sifting time has come, and many have fallen out by the wayside. Persecutions have come and many have let down the standard. But God has a remnant that are going through with Him. O people, let us rally to the help of the Lord. We are living in perilous times when men are lovers of pleasure and the powers of hell are on every side. But God is marshaling His hosts together, and soon we shall see the light in the eastern skies. The powers of the antichrist are also heading up. The unions, lodges and trusts are gathering a people together. Soon the trumpet will sound and the precious bride will go up with Jesus. Oh, don't you want to be one of the number? Oh, don't you want the Blood to cleanse your heart?

A BLESSED TESTIMONY.

San Pedro, Cal.—"God has showed me the difference between the anointing that abideth, which I had, and the baptism. I publicly confessed that the speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance is a necessary evidence of the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire and that I would stand true to my convictions and the light God had given me. The next day I went to a mission in San Pedro, witnessed to the truth, and then went to the altar and the Spirit fell and I sang a little in other tongues but did not get clear through.

"The next morning the Spirit pressed me to write to Seattle and tell them of the definite stand I had taken, but I hesitated all day, reasoning that I could explain better after I got home; but the next day it kept before me to write, and at 4 P. M. I obeyed. After I had mailed the letter I could feel the power coming, and before meeting time the dear Lord Jesus baptized me. Singing in other tongues for some time, I suddenly began to speak in other tongues. And the first the Spirit said was, "We shall have power over all the power of the enemy." And the next, "Glory to Jesus forevermore." God gave me the interpretation with these first two sentences. Oh, Jesus is sweeter to my soul than ever before. Such a spirit of praise and worship and adoration as I never had before. Glory to Jesus!"

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SIGNS OF THE COMING OF JESUS.

"Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." Luke 21:34.

The unbelief and indifference in regard to the coming of Jesus is one sign today of His soon appearing. For God tells us in His Word, "There shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." II Pet. 3:3, 4. Men's hearts are darkened to the truth and their eyes blinded to the signs of the end.

People act as though God were afar off and not paying attention to what was going on in this old world, but He sees that the cup of iniquity of this adulterous generation is almost full. He sent fire and brimstone on Sodom and Gomorrah, and destroyed the old world with a flood, and He sees and hates sin today. He is showing His wrath by the calamities that are happening in these last days.

Jesus said there should be earthquakes in divers places, and this would be one of the signs of His coming. He sent the awful destruction on Martinique. The people had refused to protect the real heralds of the cross in their midst, and were about to crucify a pig in derision of God's only begotten Son, and the Lord just uncapped Mt. Pelee and 40,000 souls were swept into eternity, and it seemed that hell was turned loose upon them. God saw that the cup of their iniquity was full. But men did not repent. They went on the same as before and forgot it.

The Lord sent an earthquake and fire on San Francisco on account of the wickedness of that city. But the mass of the people did not turn from their infidelity. They are building so-called earthquake-proof buildings. But God can turn the ocean over that city at a moment's warning, just as He did on Messina, Italy.

The people were so wicked in Messina, Italy, that they defied God to send an earthquake. A correspondent of the New York Times, investigating after the earthquake in Italy, said that there was a paper published at Messina the day before the earthquake called "The Future," containing these awful words: "The Almighty: If you are not an impotent fool, send us an earthquake to prove you exist." The next day one of the most destructive earthquakes that ever was known swept 200,000 souls into eternity without a moment's warning. The newspaper man says, "I have seen the paper or I would not write the story. Anyone would be deeply moved standing in the midst of this hell that was Messina."

Oh, beloved, these are the signs of His coming. God is calling loudly. What a sleep has closed the eyes of the people. Jesus is coming soon.

Men are talking about peace and peace conferences, but the apostle declared, "The day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief." I Thess. 5:2-4. "Therefore let us not sleep as do others, but let us watch and be sober."

While the nations talk peace, they are building battle-ships and making all preparations for war, paying great sums of money for devices to destroy life. Europe has between twenty and thirty millions of trained soldiers ready to cut the heads off from each other. The time of the end is near. "Wars and rumors of wars" tell that Jesus is near.

"On the earth distress of nations with perplexity." Luke 21:25. We have these signs all about us, "Men's hearts failing them for fear." The great men see it and are failing under it. The social and political world knows that some great crisis is at hand. Men's nerves are giving way under the strain. The Son of God told us when these things came to pass, to look up for our redemption draweth nigh.

Wicked men and seducers are waxing worse and worse. And in the church, there has come a great falling

away. Some are saying that the world is getting better, but that is one of the devil's lies. It is contrary to God's word.

The church is not ushering in the millennium, but the world is dragging the so-called church away down so far that it is hard to tell which is the church and which is the world.

God says that in the latter times, some shall depart from the faith. There is an awful departure from the faith by those that are supposed to stand by the beautiful Word of God. Doctrines of men and devils are being put in the place of Jesus Christ today. Where once holiness and sound doctrine were preached, now something is being substituted in its place. People do not like to hear that they are lost and that there is a burning hell awaiting them, so they have hired men to preach moral culture and refinement; and in the supposedly orthodox pulpits, they are doing away with the divinity of Jesus Christ. Thousands are being led into a profession of religion without repenting of their sins and are being taken into church membership without being saved at all. New Thought, Christian Science, Theosophy and Spiritualism, delusions of the devil, are taking thousands right down to hell.

O dear people, may the Lord God wake us up. This old world is drifting hellward. Jesus is coming, but He is coming for a holy people. We know not the hour or the day, but we know what kind of people He is going to take up. His church is without spot or blemish. Praise His holy name. The Son of God is going to descend somewhere in the clouds, and the gravitation will be so strong that way, that the genuine will go up. Oh, praise His precious name. No hypocrite can get in among that company.

Are we ready for such a change? Would you rather see Jesus come tonight than anything else? Hallelujah. We read in James 5:7, 8, "The husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until He receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." The latter rain has come. Some commentators wrote of the latter rain that it was probably some marvelous outpouring of the Holy Ghost that was to come some time. Well, it has come now. And the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

VISIONS OF THE MARRIAGE FEAST.

During a prayer meeting at Oakland one morning two of the saints fell under the power, and the Lord gave them visions of Himself. One saw heaven opened and Jesus surrounded by clouds of gold and accompanied by angels. The Spirit said through her, "Behold, I come quickly.—We have no time for anything but Jesus.—Dear ones, I see Jesus. He is surrounded by angels.—He is coming again.—The time is very short.—He wants us to walk in the Spirit.—We must be pure and spotless.—None but the redeemed shall walk therein.—Oh, I see Jesus." She saw a bride dressed in spotless white passing down a wide stairway where stood a table spread. It was blessed to hear the Spirit pleading through her to "Get ready, for Jesus is soon coming again." The Spirit spoke through her in different languages among which German and Chinese were recognized.

The other saint saw the marriage feast, the table spread and the guests around it dressed in spotless white. Then Jesus appeared and said, "You must be pure and spotless." The Spirit sang beautifully in tongues and then spoke through her in English: "Go spread the Gospel news. Go to the north, go to the south, and tell them I am mighty to save. Go into the highways and into the byways and compel them to come in." It was wonderful to hear the Spirit pleading for the people to get ready to meet the Bridegroom at His coming.

BAPTIZED WHILE PRAYING FOR SOULS.

Before the Pentecost fell in Los Angeles, some four years ago, the power fell on a brother in Canada while pleading with God for souls at the altar. He was known to be deeply

spiritual and much used of God, especially in praying with souls at the altar.

As he was earnestly pouring out his soul to God, doing all he could to help souls to Jesus, suddenly, as on the Day of Pentecost, the Holy Ghost and fire descended upon him, accompanied with the speaking and singing in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. That was four years ago, and the Comforter still abides. This brother was overjoyed when he heard of the outpouring of the Spirit in Los Angeles. God had given him the same experience in advance. The people did not understand at the time, but he told them all that he believed it was a language God spoke through him.

CHRIST MADE TO BE SIN FOR US.

Jesus was made sin for us, "He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." II Cor. 5:21. When we think of Jesus hanging on the cross, made sin, a curse, for us, and the Father turning His face away, because He could not look on sin at all, we can see the price He paid for our salvation. Truly He was made sin for us. When Jesus died, the Father hid His face, and Jesus died of a broken heart. It was then that He gave that exceeding bitter cry: "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me."

He was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world that we might have life, and that we might have it more abundantly; that we might not hew us out cisterns that hold no water, but have a fountain of life in our souls. Hallelujah. There is such life in Jesus. Oh, there is such life in the living Christ. Glory to God. When He comes in to abide in our souls, it makes a real springing fountain of crystal water. Glory to Jesus.

We then as workers together with Him, beseech you all that you receive not the grace of God in vain. Dear ones, how faithfully we ought to work, when we think of Him on the cross with His heart bleeding and broken for us. We see Him on the cross of Calvary giving His life Blood that we might be redeemed. Oh, that His death might not be in vain for us, but that we might receive the life of Jesus and work with Him, be co-workers with Jesus Christ.

God wants His Word to be wrought out in our lives through the Blood and through the Spirit; that fountains may spring up of love, joy, peace, goodness, faith, etc.; that we might be co-workers with Him to the tearing down of the strongholds of Satan. Just as we get the fountain of life, as we get Jesus wrought out in our lives through the Word the Spirit and the Blood, are we going to be able to work with Him and help build up the Kingdom of God on earth.

He has called us to a lowly walk with Him. We are kings and priests unto Him, but we are now going through the humiliation with Jesus. Oh, hallelujah to the Lamb of God, that He is calling out a people that are willing to work with Him, in stripes and imprisonments, in tumults and in fastings. They are willing to do the work of God under any circumstances or any place, and after doing all to stand in the strength of Jehovah, who is able to do abundantly in us above all we are able to ask or think.

PENTECOST IN MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA.

Large numbers have been saved here and many have received their baptism and spoken in tongues. The power of God was so manifest that men and women were prostrated at every service and lay on the floor helpless, sometimes for hours. Outsiders did not understand what it was and they decided to investigate and find out, if possible.

A druggist was sent to the meeting to determine what kind of drugs were being used to take the strength of the people. He decided it was beyond his comprehension. Ministers decided it was hypnotism and that the meetings must close, but the work of the Holy Ghost and the meetings continue. Some of the worst women in town have been saved.

One preacher went to oppose the meeting and he lay helpless under the power five or six hours, and came out speaking in an unknown tongue. He

is now considered one of the strongest in the Pentecostal band. All praise to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

SOULS SAVED IN CHINA.

A Pentecostal Missionary in Shanghai, China, writes: We were invited to a Chinese home to pray. The man smashed up an idol in the face of crowds of neighbors, and destroyed everything belonging to the devil. He assembled as many as could crowd in, and we talked and prayed and sang and honored the Blood.

We held a meeting there every Tuesday night and crowds of people come to hear. We believe God will bring the whole neighborhood into the kingdom. This man got up and testified and praised the Lord before his neighbors. He said all that night he lay awake praying and praising God. The pastor of one of the big churches gave him a little prayer to learn and teach his employees, and we said, "Just praise the Lord, brother, and He will teach you." This new babe, less than a week old, was at our house last night and made such an earnest prayer.

One young man got up last night and confessed his sins; said he had been a church member for years, but was no real Christian. He prayed again and again until he got victory. People here who have had no teaching on restitution are beginning to get light and make things right. Glory to God, the fire from heaven is going to fall. God is uniting so blessedly the little band who are meeting together nearly every night.

BAPTISMAL SERVICE IN SWEDEN.

Goteborg, Sweden.—"The Spirit fell on some in a baptismal service which we held at a brother's home, half a mile outside the city. Three loving children were baptized by immersion, and this baptismal service was the most glorious I ever saw. Glory to God! After the service, when we were praying for those seeking the gift of the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of God filled two of the brethren who had been immersed. They were filled with His love and glory, and began to speak in other tongues. A dear young sister who has been seeking the Spirit, but not immersed by water, gave up her will and asked to be baptized next time. Just a few minutes after giving her name for baptism, while in prayer, she got her Pentecost with the Bible evidence, speaking in a new, glorious tongue and getting filled with glory and His love. This same sister while testifying in a meeting we had, was so filled with power she looked like an angel from heaven. To Him who is worthy be all the glory. Hallelujah! The address of our mission hall is Ostra Larmgatan 6, Goteborg, Sweden. Salute all the dear ones in the mission. The saints in Goteborg greet you all in the Lord."

JESUS REVEALED TO A JEW.

When I look back on my childhood, I remember how my soul was on a stretch for God, and I used to ask the rabbis about the Christ and what man Isaiah was speaking of in the 53rd chapter. They did not satisfy me, but I praise God, Jesus Christ opened my blind eyes and saved my soul. It is no longer the blood of bullocks and of goats but the precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Blindness in part has happened to Israel, but God has revealed Jesus Christ to my soul. I know that my sins are cast into the sea of forgetfulness and remembered no more against me forever. I know beyond a shadow of doubt that this Christ that was spoken of by Isaiah and the prophets is Jesus, the Son of God, my dear Redeemer. He has made me a witness. I know that he died and is resurrected and is sitting on the right hand of God and I worship Him tonight. (This precious brother was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost in the mission and God gave him a vision of Jesus at the altar.)

You will have no desire to read newspapers and magazines when Christ comes down and enthrones Himself in your heart. When God sanctifies your soul, He opens up the Word to you, and empties your heart of everything but the whole Word of God.

A MESSAGE TO THE SINNER.

The Blood of Jesus Christ saved me, and three years ago, He sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire. I have proved that the power of God keeps under all circumstances, and I want to recommend this Savior to you. Praise God, He gives liberty and freedom to bound souls. Do you know, dear ones, that the appetite that causes men to sin can be broken by the power of the Blood of Jesus Christ? Jesus came to give life, and Christ is the life. He said, "I am the bread of life." The Word of God was made flesh and dwelt among us. He came to give liberty and freedom and power to souls that are bound in sin. You cannot be freed but by the power of the Blood of Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "He that eateth my flesh and drinketh My Blood hath eternal life." He gave His life and His Blood that we might live. He said to Martha, when her brother Lazarus was dead, and had been four days in the tomb, "If thou wilt believe, thou shalt see the glory of God." Christ is the resurrection and the life to you that are dead in trespasses and in sins. Jesus can give you life. He can put health into your body and strength into your will, that old will that was bent to do wrong can will to do His will.

Jesus said, "Lazarus, come forth." And he came forth. Why? Because God spoke. The power of Christ brings forth the dead. O beloved, this is a type of the dead soul coming forth in the power of the Son of God. If you are dead in trespasses and in sins, all He has to do is to speak the word, after you are ready to say, "Lord, have mercy on me a sinner." Oh, you say, "I have been such a sinner and the devil has me bound with habits." But God can do for you what He has done for others.

There are men that have drank and stolen and had all powers of hell raging in their beings, but they came to the One that gives life and He freed them. Jesus is the life-giver, and if old Satan has got you bound down by the chains of passion and pride and drink, Jesus can liberate you. He has all power in earth and over hell. They put Jesus in the tomb and the Roman soldiers put a seal upon it. They thought they had done away with this Christ that went about healing the sick and liberating captive souls and raising the dead. The soldiers watched the tomb. But when the time came at the dawn of the third day, the angel of the Lord came and rolled the stone away, and this mighty conquering Christ stepped out of the tomb. And He gives us power over all the powers of hell.

Dear ones, we have a conquering Savior. He went down into the grave for our sins, but He did not stay there. He arose again. And because He arose, you and I can rise from sin to walk in a new life of victory over all the powers of hell. The power of the Son of God can make you free. It is only the Blood of Jesus that can, but He died and rose again, that we might be free from the power of sin and death.

O dear sinner, Jesus can save you. He can break every band and strap and make you free. You will have peace in your soul. The sweetest thing is to lie down at night and have a conscience void of offence toward God and man. Oh, dear ones, I would not give the peace I have in my soul today for this whole world. You know there is no satisfactory portion in this world. "Taste and see that the Lord is good."

Oh, let Jesus come into your heart. He will scatter the darkness and the glorious light will shine into your soul. This sounds like a fairy tale to some of you, but just give Him a chance. Say, "Lord, I will give you one trial. I cannot get rid of the saloon and pipe; the more I smoke, the more I want to." He will save you, if you will come to Him.

One Sunday afternoon on the streets of Portland as the Gospel Wagon went out and the workers testified and sang and preached this Gospel, about 15 knelt on the street, and at another corner 18 knelt on the cobble stones and called on God to forgive their sins. Hearts were melted. The workers were kneeling with them. About 50 in all were on their knees in the street. It was a beautiful sight. At one time, the street cars had to stop and wait be-

cause the street was blocked with those kneeling. Six men who sought the Lord got into the wagon and came to the Mission after the meeting.

SAVED THROUGH THE GOSPEL WAGON.

Three weeks ago, I knew nothing about salvation. I was smoking, drinking, chewing and gambling and doing everything that was wrong. One Sunday as I came out of the saloon, I heard the brothers and sisters on the Gospel Wagon praising Jesus, and there was something down in my heart that said, "What God has done for them, He can do for you."

At the end of the service, a dear brother asked those that the Lord opened their hearts to hold up their hands and come to the front. But I did not have the power, the devil held me back. I went to the mission, and there at the altar, I found God. He took the hell out of my soul. I never believed that a person in this world could live pure from sin, but God has made me clean. I was looking for satisfaction over the world, in saloons, cigar stores and theaters; but when I came to my Lord, then I found what I was looking for. Tonight I am saved and sanctified in the Blood of Jesus. That Tuesday night I came to the Mission, I had a chew of tobacco in my mouth; but when I went out, I had no more desire for tobacco.

GOD CAN SAVE THE DRUNKARD.

He picked me up out of the gutter of sin. I well know the time that I would rather have been in the saloon than up on this wagon. I wanted to commit suicide and what kept me back was the fear of Almighty God. As I look around on your faces, I see an unsatisfied look. You are seeking after the pleasures of the world and yet you are not getting satisfaction, but the God of Calvary can put satisfaction in your heart. It is when the burden of sin rolls off from your heart and the Blood of Jesus cleanses your soul. I praise God there is nothing in the old life to go back to. He takes the old drink habit out and makes a new man of you.

This afternoon you and I are traveling to the judgment bar of God. You and I some day have got to stand before God Almighty and give an account of the deeds done in the body.

I remember when I was on what seemed to be my death bed. It is a poor place to get ready to meet God. All I thought of was that I was a lost soul and going to meet Almighty God with the blot of sin on my heart and a black record behind me. I praise God He gave me a chance to repent of my sins and the burden of sins rolled off from my heart. A peace came into my soul.

May be you think as I did that Almighty God cannot save you, but there is power in the Blood of Jesus to save every man, no matter how bad you have been or how bad you are. He can clean you up and make a new man of you. The men may test and try you, but down in their hearts they respect a man that is living for God.

God can do for you what He has done for me. If He can save me, He can save the worst man that walks the street. You can get peace and satisfaction in Jesus. You give your heart to God and He will give you what you are craving for.

Beloved sinner, do you feel down in your heart a lonesome feeling as if you were outside and did not have any part with God's people. God wants to put you into the body. You may say, "if I had faith, I would go to Jesus." All the faith you need is the faith that goes to Jesus. That faith will reach Him and touch the border of His garment. The woman did not touch His body, but with emaciated hand, she only touched the border of His garment and was made whole. Oh, may you touch His spiritual garment.

"YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN."

Jesus said, "Ye must be born again." Nicodemus did not understand it, and many today do not understand it, because they do not know the Blood of Jesus Christ. But we can recommend a living Christ, a Christ that has come forth from the grave. Hallelujah to

God. When God speaks within you, your soul leaps to life. The voice of the Son of God is all that is bringing life to the soul dead in trespasses and in sins today.

It means everything to be born again. It means to be a new creature in Christ Jesus. "Old things have passed away, behold, all things are become new." We have put off the works of darkness and put on the Lord Jesus Christ. People say you cannot live without sin, but you must live without sin if you are born of God. (1 John 5:18.) The Blood of Jesus takes out that old man of sin and puts it to death. We are dead to sin, buried with Christ, and have come up in newness of life—born again.

When you have passed from death unto life, you have a conscience void of offence toward God and man. If there is a thing between you and your fellow man that you can make right, you must make it right. There are always people that will hate us and find fault. We cannot help that, but we can make everything straight as far as we are concerned. After a soul has passed from death unto life, the very God of heaven can turn the searchlight on that soul, and no sin can be revealed, and you are filled with the love of Jesus. How we rejoice because, though we were dead in trespasses and sins, Christ has made us alive. He has given us eternal life.

He not only gives us life from the dead but life more abundant. As soon as you are saved, you should consecrate your body and soul to Him, and let Him sanctify you and baptize you with the Holy Ghost, that you might have power to witness to the world of what He has done for you.

Jesus is standing on the right hand of the Father, our High Priest forever. He is holding out His shed Blood to the Father that it might blot out our sins. Glory to Jesus. Dear ones, the High Priest is there, and if we have committed sins and confess them, He will hold up the Blood to the Father and forgive us our sins. If the Blood has blotted out your sins, you can then take your sacrifice and consecrate and offer it upon the altar, that you might be sanctified; and the fire of God will come down and consume it. Then you can look up and God will baptize you with the Holy Ghost and fire. Jesus entered heaven that the Comforter might come, and He will come upon every clean vessel that will pay the price.

SAVED ONE WEEK.

Last Sunday morning when I came to this tabernacle, I was a sinner. You don't know what darkness I had on my soul. But I came to the altar and found Jesus. And on Friday night, I laid all on the altar and He sanctified me. I just cannot keep still because of the love of Jesus in my heart.

I was a member of the Catholic Church all my life, but there is just one way to enter into the kingdom of heaven. It is a straight and narrow path, you don't find it in great churches with steeples pointing upward. God sent His only begotten Son. He was born in a manger. I thank God I was ever led to this manger, and that great burden of my heart rolled away. I tell you it is a privilege to stand here and witness for this wonderful Redeemer.

I have salvation, people, and joy. If I could give it to you, you would feel so light and happy. My experience is, I started at the bottom and went up, making as high as \$1800 a month and spent it all for my own destruction. The more money I got the closer I got to hell. Don't wish for money. It will damn your soul. Don't wish for good things to eat or good clothes to wear, but wish for something that will make you sleep like a baby at night, take away all the filthy appetites and make you clean.

LITTLE GIRL SEES JESUS.

One morning recently while in prayer with several others, the power came upon a girl of thirteen and she lay prostrate for about two hours, while the Lord wonderfully revealed Himself to her.

He showed her a very narrow path with flowers on either side. He showed her how the earth is going to be shaken

during the Tribulation. She saw the earth like a large ball floating and dancing amidst clouds of smoke, and the people scattered over it, looking much like small ants. While seeing visions of heavenly things, she described them and plead for souls to yield to God:

"Time is so short, no time to waste. Oh, the table is spread. It is beautiful! Do you want to come? Oh, do come! Look at it shining! Look, see what is in store for us up there! The Lamb was slain for them. Oh, why don't they come? He is coming! No time to spare! The time is so short, only a little while! We must go out and tell them to come in!

"Oh! It is going to be awful! Tell them to come in and drink of the water of life. This earth is going to burn up. Oh, who will come and drink of the water of life freely? The way is growing brighter, getting narrower. We are in the right road. We are following in the steps of Jesus.

"Jesus is coming to take us to that beautiful city where all our tears will be wiped away. Oh, if you could only know what He has in store for us! Eye has not seen it. We must be careful. Jesus is going to try us. He is ready to burst the clouds. We don't praise Him enough. Oh, the tree of life! The fruit is almost ripe! Oh, it is beautiful! Tell them to be ready when He comes."

A Russian Brother—"He saved me from an infidel's grave. In His great mercy and love, He opened my eyes and caused me to see and saved my soul from hell. The precious Blood that was shed on Calvary cleansed my heart. Oh, I praise God for this wonderful salvation. The mighty Holy Ghost came into this heart that was once unclean. I cried for the living God to satisfy my soul. I praise Him tonight that He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire.

CONVICTED IN A SALOON.

Out of the hunger and thirst of my poor soul, I want to let you know what the Lord has done for me. I came from Russia to America. I was living with the world and not in obedience to God.

One evening, while in a saloon, I became frightened and went out and looked up to heaven and thought to myself, How could I stand before God? What remorse filled my heart.

I went at once and bought a Bible, which I began to read morning and evening. How I repented and cried that I did not serve God before. I was hungry and thirsting, and the words were ringing in my soul, "Lost, lost forever!"

I went to the pastor of the Lutheran Church, of which I was a member, to get him to instruct me. And as I entered, he came out of his room with a large pipe in his mouth. He just turned me right off, but I did not give up but went back even to the fourth time. But all to no avail. Then I went to special meetings and begged for help, but they could give me no comfort.

Then I came home weeping and knelt down in my room and prayed to God to teach me the way. I committed myself to Jesus' Blood, who frees us from all our troubles. Praise His name. He saved me from all my sins and evil desires and taught me the way of truth.

I was alone here in Athens, Wisconsin, without any fellowship in my faith, but I did not give up praising God. And one evening, I went to the post-office and received a paper from a brother in Chicago. It was the Apostolic Faith in German. And oh, how glad I was that the Church of God was yet to be found and so clean.

I beg of you, brethren, to pray for me that the Lord will keep me, that I might remain humble at the feet of Jesus and be baptized with the Holy Ghost. My hunger is so great for the gift of God, I know He will fill me.

When the Holy Ghost comes in, He sings in your soul. Jesus will wake you up and you will hear the room full of music. You will wonder where it comes from and you will find it comes from right down in your soul. It is not pipe organs any more in the churches for you, but the Holy Ghost in your soul.