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“Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.” --Jude 3.

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The old Tear-Stained Altar

The old altar at Front and Burnside Mission has been sprinkled with many penitent tears, rolling down the cheeks of hardened men, fallen women, church members, fashionable women: they all come the same way, by repentance and godly sorrow for sin, people of all classes.

The altar in Portland and in other Missions as well, is a long, plain pine bench, about twenty feet in length and two feet in height, placed in front of the platform.

Sinners flock to the altar every night at Front and Burnside Mission. Others gather about them and pour out their hearts to God in prayer perhaps two hundred voices join in prayer at once. Some strangers wonder at the noise. They never heard an amen or a shout in a church before or saw a drunkard saved, or heard of such an altar scene. But God hears the cry of the penitent sinner and of His people, and angels in Heaven rejoice that the lost is found, the wanderer has returned.

They are getting saved at every meeting and sanctified wholly, and people get happy and shout and praise God. The old altar has been the birth place of many a soul.

Some on their way to commit suicide find deliverance there, and the appetite for drink and drugs leaves them instantly. Some from the jails weep their way to the foot of the cross and get real salvation that even the men behind the bars and the officers of the law witness is the real old-time religion that transforms their lives. And they at once begin to make restitution for their wrongs.

Many touching scenes are witnessed. Sometimes a mother’s boy will rise from his knees saved, and the mother will clasp him in her arms weeping and rejoicing. Husband and wife, both saved at the same time, rise and weep and praise God together.

Boys and men that have been enslaved by drink, with eyes red from weeping, but with faces shining, jump to their feet and shake hands with the workers, praising God.

Colored people get saved and shout and praise God. Also those of other nations, Germans, Scandinavians, Italians, Polish, Bohemian and Finnish, and many other nationalities are saved at the old pine bench. It is a happy place, everyone rejoicing and the angels in heaven rejoicing too over the sinner that repenteth.

Old pipes, bottles of dope and whiskey, dope needles, lodge pins, cigarette papers, bags of tobacco, snuff boxes and plugs of tobacco have been thrown down; and best of all they never want those things again. The desire is completely taken away and they can live above sin. Many a soul will never forget the happy day when they found deliverance and peace down at the old altar in the Mission. Heaven comes down, sins are blotted out and they rise to walk in newness of life.

Demons are cast out of those bound and possessed: the drunkard, the cigarette tobacco and morphine fiends, Spiritualists, Christian Scientists, and souls bound by every power of the

enemy. At the same time, the sick are prayed for and anointed with oil in the name of the Lord and healed, while the altar services are going on.

After the Word has been preached, the altar call is given and the altar is quickly filled with seekers. That does not nearly hold them. They bow along rows of chairs about the platform, and as many as can find room on the platform, which is cleared of workers. As soon as the altar call is given, workers will leave the platform and go and lead sinners to the altar. They deal with them in the back of the hall, and sinners will come up to the altar while the services are in progress.

As soon as the hall was opened after camp meeting, a revival began in the Mission, many souls were saved, several fallen women and dope fiends and drunkards were delivered.

A woman that had used morphine for twenty-five years was saved and delivered from the desire for the drug.

A dope fiend was saved recently and turned over his needles and dope and God wonderfully delivered him.

A man that was a hobo was wonderfully saved and sanctified and also healed of tuberculosis. Three physicians in different states had pronounced his case incurable. He has a position now and testifies in the Mission of the power of God to save.

An Italian boy was then sanctified

A drunkard that had been wonderfully saved recently and separated from his family through drink came to the Mission and God wonderfully saved him that night and restored him to his family. There are many happy families that have been united through this Gospel.

Several old men came to the altar, in Seattle, that had been long in sin, and God wonderfully saved them and sanctified two of them. One came back at the next meeting, clapping his hands and hugging the brothers, rejoicing for what God had done for him.

A Catholic young man from Valparaiso was saved one Sunday. A brother asked him if he would not confess his sins. He said, "I cannot tonight." The brother said, "Why not tonight?" He said, "I haven't any money; I cannot confess them tonight." (He was a Catholic.) He said, "Is it less than \$5 to confess your sins?" The brother told him, "Not one cent." And he got down on his knees and confessed his sins to God and was saved.

An Indian that was the son of a chief had taken to drinking to drown his troubles and became a drunkard, was wonderfully saved at the altar in Tacoma. He was about to commit suicide, not caring what became of him. But as he walked up the street in Tacoma, he heard a beautiful song floating out of the Mission and asked a stranger what it was. He came to the door as they were singing.

"Oh, now I see the cleansing wave,  
The Fountain deep and wide,  
Jesus my Lord, mighty to save,  
Points to His wounded side."

At first he said, "This is too good a place for a sinful man," but he went in, and in about ten minutes he bowed at the altar and cried to God for mercy, confessing his sins, and was wonderfully delivered. He is now a witness for God on the streets and in the hall. He sings and testifies in his own language and in English telling the wonderful story.

Another Indian, a friend of this man, heard the meeting on the street and came into the Seattle Mission and God saved him and later sanctified him and baptized him with the Holy Ghost. When he was in sin, he used to sing in saloons, now he sings the Gospel in the Mission, on the streets and in the prisons.

A prisoner from the county jail, in Seattle, a “trustee,” was allowed a couple of hours’ freedom on Sunday and came to the Mission and was saved, and with his hands raised he said, “I’m born again, I’m born again.”

In the Eugene Mission, a Jew came for the first time and was wonderfully saved. He had been only twice inside of a church in his life, and was utterly ignorant of salvation; but like a little child he simply believed and God marvelously saved him. He had been addicted to cigarette smoking, and had smoked at the rate of twenty-five a day, and God took it all away. A few days afterwards, God definitely sanctified him and the power of God came on him. A few nights afterwards He baptized him with the Holy Ghost and fire. He had never looked into a Bible, but now he just feasts on it. His co-laborer, a printer and decorator, was also saved.

Not only at the altar bench do souls find the Lord. One man got under conviction when he heard this Gospel preached in the Mission and got down in an old red barn and pled with God till he found salvation. Others testify they found it kneeling down on the cobble stones at the street meetings. Bands of workers go out on the street corners every night holding meetings on different corners, some from Gospel Autos, and many precious souls are brought to the altar and find the Lord. Others find an altar on a sick bed in the hospital or at the poor farm, others behind the bars; for God is no respecter of persons or places. Wherever you are you may find the mercy seat at the feet of Jesus Christ.

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### **HEAR THE VOICE OF JESUS.**

Hear the voice of Jesus calling thee,  
 “Sinner, come to Me and be set free,  
 The cleansing stream is flowing still for thee,  
 It will cleanse you from all ill and set you free”.

Cho.--Listen to the message Jesus gives today,  
 He will take your sins and cast them far away.  
 ‘Tis the Holy Spirit still a-calling thee;  
 Let Him cleanse your heart and set you free.

Then you’ll praise the Lord and say, I’m free,  
 Jesus’ Blood has surely ransomed me.  
 What a pleasure it is to serve the Lord,  
 And to read His sacred holy Word.

Since my sinful heart has been made right,  
 His yoke is easy and His burden light;  
 Oh! how blessed it is to do His will,  
 For my soul His Holy Spirit fills.

--A song given to a colored brother that was saved from sin.

**“I FELL ON MY KNEES IN THE JAIL.”**

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A little over a year ago, I was behind the bars of the Spokane jail, friendless, penniless and homeless, without one hope left for me in this world. It was there I received a paper printed in Portland, Oregon. It told how the drunkard, gambler, robber and dope fiend were saved. And I said to myself, "If God can do this for them He can do the same for me." How I thank God I ever received that Apostolic Faith paper poked through the bars to me. It meant much to me, it means much to me today, it means much to my people.

I promised God if He would get me out of that jail I would go to these people and get what they had. I fell on my knees and said, "O God, if you will save me from this jail and take me where those people are that print that paper, I will serve you the balance of my days." And there in my cell God began to ask me if I were willing to go back and serve my time where I had escaped from a penitentiary, and make many other awful wrongs right. And I said to God, "I will do anything, only let me get to those people, and save my soul."

I was in the Spokane jail for selling whiskey to the Indians on the second charge, before the same judge on the bench, and I prayed my way out of that place, passed the judge and twelve jurors, pleading guilty before all. The judge said to me, "You can go, there is no charge against you." God got me out of that jail, and I came to Seattle and to the Mission and fell on my knees at this altar, a wreck in body and soul.

I never shall forget the night when I fell at this altar and said, "O God, have mercy." I said, "God, you have brought me out from behind the bars, out of jail, take me the rest of the way." I got the victory that night. He healed my body and gave me a new lining in my stomach when I had ruined it by drinking "white line." He gave me new muscles in my body and a new head of hair on my head, when I had lost my hair through a terrible disease. To think God would save me and heal me after I got so low that I was a total wreck with hair fallen out from disease and my stomach burnt out from alcohol.

Every old habit and appetite for booze and cocaine went out of my life. I faced the prison bars and made confession for crimes in three states and Canada, crimes that would have put me behind the bars, but God freed me in every case and I am a free man today to tell the story. I can work every day in the woods, driving a team among sinners and infidels, and He keeps the victory and joy in my soul. I am not ashamed to tell it out in the mill and everywhere. I thank God I have power to stand before the men and tell them I have the victory over my old life.

My dear old mother prayed for me and pled with me for years, but I went the way of sin and crime. I ran away from home because of crime and received a message one day, "Mother is dying." And in spite of the law I went to see her and found her almost gone. The officers came and handcuffed and took me from my mother's death bed and put me in jail where I could hear carriages pass, and I thought each time that they were bearing my old mother to her grave, and how I suffered the tortures of hell there. But it's all over now and Jesus is all to me and I thank God I can meet my dear old mother in Heaven.--The Apostolic Faith Mission, 115 Occidental Ave., Seattle, Wash.

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### **"I LOVED MONEY AND BEAUTIFUL CLOTHES."**

Eight years ago, I was a proud, worldly woman, loving the things of the world, loving sin. My heart was deceitful and desperately wicked. I worshipped the idols of the world, the opinions of people, the money and beautiful clothes. I spent hundreds of dollars on fashionable

clothes and traveled over the country to satisfy the longing of my heart. I tried to be a Christian, was a regular attendant at church and at the prayer meetings and taught in the Sunday school. I joined the church at thirteen years of age, yet I was a sinner and indulged in the things of the world.

Oh, I praise God that He opened my eyes. God alone knows what it meant to me. It was a miracle when He let me see my real condition. When I saw how God looked at me, the scales fell off from my eyes. It took me down at His lovely feet and I cried, "God, be merciful." I felt like the vilest sinner in the world. He is able to break every fetter and make the vilest clean. Oh, it is wonderful to see yourself lost and undone, vile and sinful and cry out from the depths of your soul, "Jesus, Thou Son of David, have mercy." He had mercy on my soul, He washed all my sins away and satisfied every longing of my heart. Jesus Christ truly satisfies.

When I fell at His feet and cried for mercy, the things I once loved and thought would be hard to give up just fell off like the leaves of a tree. The theatre, the dance, the things of the world I had no desire for.

I was always hungry for reality. From the time I was a little child, I used to read about Jesus and weep over Him and think how He suffered on the cross of Calvary. I longed to know Him and love Him in reality. And I praise God the time came, after I was tired and weary of the ways of sin, Jesus Christ sought me out. He bound the bleeding sin wounds, He poured in oil and wine. I never shall forget the day I heard that sweet voice, "Peace, be still." I never had known what peace and rest were. My heart was in turmoil, though I had everything heart could wish from a natural standpoint. But when the Blood of Jesus Christ was applied to my heart, the peace of God stole in; and all I could say was, "Peace that passeth all understanding." I praise Him for the peace of God that flows like a river.

He not only saved me but healed my sick body after I had been a sufferer for years, nothing but skin and bones. When doctors, climates and medicine failed, I heard that the same Christ that saved my soul could heal the sick. I was healed in an instant of time of asthma and other troubles, and the very winter the doctor said I would die, God put flesh on my bones and has kept me ever since. He is all the world to me, He made me what I am.--Seattle, Wash.

### **A DRUNKEN FALLEN WOMAN SAVED.**

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From sinking sands He lifted me,  
With tender hand He lifted me,  
From shades of night to plains of light  
Oh, praise His name, He lifted me.

I can never tell the depths of the sinking sands from which He lifted this woman. I thank God for this wonderful salvation. I thank God He looked down on me when I had gone down in the depths of sin. My life was wrecked, my heart was broken. I was tired of sin and of the world. Many times I thought of taking my own life, but I thank God, Jesus came into my life and broke the powers of sin and set me free when I was a drunken fallen woman, not a good thing in me. My husband deserted me and took my little boy four years old and ran away from me. I did not know whether my child was dead or alive. But in that dark hour Jesus came into my soul and set me free. I thank Him for the rest and peace there is in my soul this morning. It means so much for me to follow Jesus. Oh, I thank Him for what He did for me.--Tacoma, Wash.

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**A shipwrecked sailor.** A ship was wrecked about seven hundred miles out from San Francisco and only one man was saved out of a crew of twenty-six. He was picked up and brought to San Francisco. He came to the Mission and to the altar and was saved, and God gave him work and today his face just shines.--Apostolic Faith Mission, 755 Howard St., San Francisco, Cal.

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**A Russian man** came to the Mission, a sinner. A brother asked him to give his heart to God. He said, "I have no money." Being a Catholic, he was used to paying money for confessing his sins. He was told that salvation was not to be had for money, it was free to whosoever will, and he came and bent his knees at the altar and God saved him.

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### **A Testimony Meeting in the Mission**

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A new convert arose weeping and for some minutes could not speak. He had been coming to the Mission for five years, was so under conviction that he could not stay away from the meetings, and would resolve every night that he would raise his hand but could not move. At last one night he broke down and wept during a song, "Sweeter as the years roll by." And as soon as the altar call was given, his hand shot up in the air. He went to the altar and was wonderfully saved.

His employer came to see him in his room a day or two afterward. The Lord brought to our brother's mind the restitution he had promised to make. And he sat down and told his employer how he had stolen a hundred and fifty dollars from him and asked how he could pay it back. The employer said, "Why did you tell me this? We would never have know it." He said, "I have found salvation." And the employer said, "You can pay it back any way you like," and left. And after he was gone, the joy of the Lord flooded the brother's soul.

An Italian.--"God can save a Roman Catholic too. This salvation makes soul and body happy. I was never happy in my life. I went to the Catholic church and confessed my sins but I could not be happy I would go and do something bad again. I was a church member for forty-one years. I found out I never was saved. I knelt at this altar and they rebuked the devils out of me. I can go by the saloons now, I do not want any more of them."

An ex-drunkard.--"I lived a wild kind of life in saloons and billiard halls, down in the slums of the cities. I stopped on the corner at a street meeting and heard men and women testify. I went to their hall, bloated with drink and with eyes bleared. I sat there and trembled with conviction and went to the altar. They prayed for me and God saved me. I found the old-time religion that has kept me for eight years. I was sick and had diseases the doctors could not cure, and God healed me."

A dope fiend arose and testified, "I thank God for the Blood of Jesus that can make the vilest clean. I came in here vile and unclean. They did not tell me to go and try to do better, but they told me there was real regenerating power in the Blood of Jesus Christ. It sounded down in my soul. I had tried the arm of flesh to no avail. I found myself an outcast, an outlaw in the sight of man. My life was one of sorrow and remorse. But I heard that night that dope fiends could be redeemed and I got down at the altar and cried out, "O God, do something for me, and I will serve you the balance of my days." And I thank God He did.

They sang:

"Then I shall know as I am known,  
And stand complete before the Throne,

Then I shall see my Savior's face  
And all my song be saving grace."

A fallen woman testified that this saving grace had lifted her out of sin. "I thank Him He ever saw me a broken-hearted, discouraged woman. I could not get away from the things that were breaking my heart and wrecking my life. But I found Jesus and He broke the shackles off from my life and gave me peace and rest the world never gave. The old life with all its sin and glamour was breaking my heart and the heart of the mother I loved. I could not get away from sin. I was going a fast pace. I came here and heard the power of Jesus to save and saw the sunshine of Heaven on the faces. One night I bent my knee at this altar and He saved my soul and took the love of the world out. I felt like a baby, so clean in my God. Wonderful salvation to take a woman wrecked in sin and make her a child of God."

A deaf mute arose and testified in the sign language, and took our paper from his pocket and showed how he was brought to a knowledge of this salvation through the paper, and pointed to the words on the wall, "The Blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanseth us from all sin." They sang:

"Behold, at your door He doth stand and knock;  
If any His voice will hear,  
And heeding the call will their door unlock,  
He'll enter and bless them there."

A German arose and said, "When I came to this Mission four years ago, I was a drunken traveling man. I knew the ways of the world, but I did not know the ways of God. I sought for reality, I tried to buy it. A man that had traveled over this country, here and there, for nine years. I had gone to churches and missions, the ball room, the club, the opera; every place a man could go, I sought reality. But at last I came here and heard the story of redemption, that God has power to deliver.

"I saw the drunkard and dope fiend had power over sin. My life was debauched, unclean, defeated. I was glad to meet a people that knew God. I prayed, 'God be merciful to me a sinner.' The devil went out and God came in. the race track, the gambling hall, everything unclean went out. I praise Him, He has made me what I am."

A man that had been a minister of a popular church arose and said, "I knew nothing but that dried-up Christianity they have in the formal church. I found myself defeated at every turn of the road. They did not teach me that when we were born again, sin left. The only difference I knew between a Christian and a sinner was that one did not sin as much as the other. Every night I went down by my bedside and asked God to forgive me for the sins I committed during the day. But one day I waked up to the fact of what Christianity was. The church never told me I was a sinner, born in sin, and ought to get down on my knees and repent and be born again. I took a course in a theological college and another at Princeton, but that thing failed completely. I stood on the street a year ago and heard what was more wonderful to me than all the lectures and great sermons I ever listened to. I heard men stand and tell what God had done for them. I went to my room and sat down and wrote a letter and resigned my position as a minister. I knew I was throwing overboard my theological course, but I thank God He ever put that hunger in my soul. Four days afterward, I went down in the straw at the camp meeting on my knees and the sin burden rolled away and I arose a redeemed child of God."

A colored man testified, "I praise God for this mighty Gospel that ever reached a man like me. I was forty-eight years old before I found this salvation, and He did not cut me off till I

found the real salvation of Jesus Christ. I ran sleeping car over the country and played the old game to a finish. I found there is power in the Blood of Jesus Christ to pick up a man, no matter how wicked or how many habits and appetites he has, and give him a testimony that Jesus saves from sin.”

A young man who had been a gambler.--“Once I did not want to know about God. I used to think if a person had too much religion to enjoy a game of cards or a ball game, they were a little off. But when I came to this place and heard these wonderful testimonies that Jesus is real and He is alive today and saves sinners, I confessed my sins to Jesus. I was sick of the old world. I used to lay brick every day and at night would dance or play pool. My body was wrecked, I never expected to see another well day, but He healed my body and keeps me by His mighty power, I am free. Wherever I go, I love to tell others what God has done for me. He changed my heart and put His love in my heart. I thought I would have a hard time being a Christian, I thought I would love the old ball game and pool hall, but the only craving I have is for more of Jesus and to tell others what He has done for me.”

A Chinaman sang, “Happy day, happy day when Jesus washed my sins away.” And said, “I thank God for wonderful power and victory in my soul. My Lord, my Lord, I have found Him, I have found Him. My Lord touched my heart, baptized me with the Holy Ghost in my heart. You give your heart to Jesus. Oh, Jesus is in my heart. O happy joy.”

Then followed the sermon and altar call, and many sinners and seekers flocked to the altar.

Many are here to testify that they came to the Mission and to the foot of the Cross, hopeless; the dope fiend, the fallen woman and the drunkard that had gone beyond the hope of reform of any kind. The moral man and woman too have come and found that they were sinners in the sight of God as much as the drunkard, and it brought them down at the altar. This Gospel has all power. There is nothing too hard for our Christ.

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### CAN A PERSON LIVE WITHOUT SIN?

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Yes, you not only can live without sin but you will live without sin when you get this salvation. God's salvation is not whitewashing people, but it takes the sin out of their life.

The angel declared, "Thou shalt call His name Jesus for He shall save His people from their sins." Matt. 1:21. When you are saved, you are saved from sin. "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin."

But you cannot keep the commandments of God without the power of God in your life. That is the reason there are so many hypocrites in the world. They lack the power of God in their lives and profess what they do not possess and live.

Some say the standard is too high, they cannot live it. Of course they cannot live it and nobody ever lived that could. But some of us have come to the Lord and our heart is changed. You will find that a mighty change takes place when you are born again, and the things you love now you will hate; and what you now hate you will love with all your heart. You will not be satisfied with the paltry things of the world, but you will love a good prayer meeting, a good mission and to read the Word of God.

A man asked, "Do you teach that you cannot commit sin?" We said, "No, we do not believe it is impossible for us to commit sin but we do believe and know that there is power in the Blood of Jesus Christ to keep from sin."

As long as you doubt the efficacy of the atonement, as long as you doubt that God's remedy can cure you, you will have sin in your heart. But when you believe God is infinite in power, He will save you from your sins. It is the power of God that puts people where He can smile upon their life.

In this Mission when sinners get saved, sin is taken out and they do not want to sin any more. It matters not what their sin is. Many a man comes here so drunk that he hardly knows his name, and you can see the power of God come down on that hopeless and helpless wreck and Jesus Christ breaks every chain. When we see the hardest cases come, dope fiends and hopeless men of every class, we know God can save them, for He has saved others. It is precious to see these men and women washed in the blood of Jesus Christ and rejoicing in the God of their salvation.

Some will say, "Do I really have to give up tobacco and cigarettes and the snuff box?" Others will say, "Do I have to take off the bracelets from my arms and dispense with the plumes?" The wonderful thing about this Gospel is that those things drop off like dead leaves from a tree when a soul is truly regenerated. We are lifting up a Christ that has power on earth to destroy the powers of sin, the love of the world, the appetites and desires of the flesh, and to wash away and destroy those appetites and habits and make you a new creature in Christ Jesus.

You may say, "I cannot give up my old companions." They will give you up if you get this salvation, they will drop you. You may say, "I cannot quit the saloon and the cigarettes." Let God come into your heart, and you will have no desire for these things.

A man that had used tobacco for fifty years came to the Mission and God Almighty took the desire out of his heart instantly, and he says, "It is wonderful, wonderful what God can do for a man."

Another man of over eighty years had used tobacco all his life and heard for the first time in this Mission that when Jesus came in He took the appetite out. He did not go to the altar and beg and plead with God, but the minute the light shone into his heart, he said, "Lord, I believe." God Almighty took out the tobacco and he is a free man today. God is doing the work in the hearts of those who have an open heart to receive the truth of the Gospel.

It is only through the name of Jesus Christ, there is no other name given under Heaven whereby we must be saved. And God says, "Without the shedding of blood, there is no remission of sin." Jesus went to the Cross and shed His Blood, and today that Blood flows for the guiltiest soul, and sins are washed away. The Spirit answers to the Blood and the work is done; the sins, the habits and the appetites go.

The blind Catholic is going to the priest confessing his sins, going out and committing the same sins over again. But when the light of this Gospel reaches his soul, his sin is gone. The one Great High Priest, Jesus Christ, has power on earth to forgive sins. He has prevailed over sin, death, hell and the grave, and sits at the right hand of God the Father, a merciful High Priest to make intercession for you and for me.

Jesus said, "Strait is the gate and narrow is the way that leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Thank God that the way is as strait as it is and the highway is just as high as it is. We would not have God alter his plan of salvation. This way is too strait for some, but it will never be any broader. Either you will take the narrow way that leads to life eternal or you will take the broad way that leads to eternal death in hell.

The Roman centurion stood by the Cross and said, "Surely this man was the Son of God." And the dying thief cried out, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into Thy Kingdom." And Jesus said, "Verily, I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with Me in Paradise." Sinner, you can say that today, "Remember me," and He will say, "Thou shalt be with Me in Paradise." God will have a holy people to dwell in His presence, a people without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, no sin in their lives. It is the Blood that makes clean. God said, "When I see the Blood, I will pass over you."

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### **SANCTIFICATION.**

God led His people out of Egypt with a strong and mighty hand, but many of them fell in the wilderness because rebellion against God Almighty rose up in their hearts.

And many today start out well, but when they go through some little test that God sees they need in order to put loyalty in their soul, you find them rebelling and repeating the sin of the children of Israel in the wilderness. Saved people find today there is a nature remaining in their soul that can rise up and cause them to rebel against God Almighty. He has made it so plain that the wayfaring man though a fool need not err therein.

People start out and are justified by faith. They get a real blessed experience of salvation and they think they are in possession of all God has for a soul. They go on and find that God has something more in store for them. They find that there is something down in their soul that God commanded to be destroyed and made provision for its complete destruction.

When a soul is justified, born of God, there still remains the old nature of inherited depravity in the heart. If you take the Word of God you will find He has provided power to destroy it.

Many today have denied sanctification as a second definite work of grace, and are backslidden altogether. There is sin in the life of many that profess to be followers of Jesus Christ. They are making a pretense of serving God and are allowing sin to reign in their hearts. God never planned that such a people should have a place in His presence in eternity. He does not look upon sin with any degree of allowance. He knows that sin will damn your soul in hell, unless you turn to God.

Many false prophets today will pat you on the back and smooth you over and say you are all right and that you can keep the Spirit of God and still commit sin, but the truth of God will prevail and stand when every false doctrine goes to the ground. The Word of God will stand out and shine forth above every false doctrine of man.

Out of the 600,000 men that came out of Egypt only two entered into the land of Canaan. It is possible for everyone to get into the land of Canaan if you will meet the conditions God has [laid] down in His Word. You do not find many willing to give ear to the real pure, unadulterated Gospel of Jesus Christ. They want it brought down to measure with their life, instead of measuring their life to the Word of God. The way is narrow, the gate is strait, but if you will obey God's Word you will never depart from the narrow way. When your sins are washed away, men have the power to resist the enemy, you do not sin because you are born again of the Seed of God. The seed of the Word of God is conceived in your heart, you are a new creature in Christ Jesus.

You are forgiven of your actual transgressions. But there remains the inbred sin, and if you do not go on into God and seek for the eradication of the sin nature in your heart and your life, after you receive the light, you will eventually lose your justification. Because God intended for you to go on into sanctification, and if you do not seek it, the inbred sin causes you to get stirred and become cross and get angry. That root of sin must be eradicated.

God takes it out at sanctification. There is nothing that would cause a sanctified soul to lose their temper, there is nothing that would cause canal uprisings in the heart, because the sin nature is destroyed. If it is not, you are not sanctified.

After you are sanctified and the root of sin is destroyed, you may wonder if the experience of sanctification will always remain. God will prove it to you by testing the experience, and you will know that the work will stand the test. When God sanctified you and the Blood cleansed your heart, the inbred sin was destroyed and eradicated, and you received the witness and the power of God in your soul; Heaven opened and your soul was flooded with the glory of God. Then the time will come when you will be put through the test. You will be tried to the utmost, and if you are really sanctified, you will stand. But if you have let down and lost out in your soul, you will not be able to stand the test. It will be because you have lost the experience through disobedience.

Inbred sin in the heart is that sinful nature that rises up and gets cross at times, that thing that you hold down and restrain and feel within but do not give place to it. God can remove it; never have a doubt in your mind as to that. If you doubt, you will never receive it. But if you believe God's Word, He will purify your heart, and you can have the wonderful experience of entire sanctification. You can have it if you will say, "God, I will pay the price and seek it with all my heart." God will sanctify and purify you, spirit, soul and body, and you will be as pure as the morning dew before God.

Have you consecrated your life to God? Have you laid everything on the altar--your property, your money, your all and yourself? If you will get down before God and say, "God, I cannot ask you to forgive this inbred sin, because it cannot be forgiven, it must be taken out of my nature. I lay my life at your feet, take it and destroy the sin nature and wash it away." Thank God, He will do it.

Jesus suffered without the gate that He might sanctify the people with His own Blood. He did not say that death would do it, He did not say that in that hour you would be made holy. It is not a work perfected at death, but it is a work that prepares you to live for God with perfect victory in your soul over all the powers of the enemy. Sanctification works a mighty transformation in your life, it frees you from inward conflict. Thank God for the sanctifying fire, it purifies and purges your very nature. It is for every soul.

If you are seeking sanctification, get down before God with a humble, melted spirit, and He will put the cleansing stream upon your heart and eradicate every stain, every root of sin and take it out of the way. The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all sin. If you pray and search and ask God from the depths of your soul, consecrating your life, He will sanctify you wholly.

Then you are ready for the Holy Ghost. The Spirit never baptizes a temple unless it is clean, sanctified and holy. When He comes in, He comes as a rushing mighty wind and fills the temple and speaks with other tongues as the disciples did on the day of Pentecost. When you are baptized with the Holy Ghost He will speak through you in other tongues. He is just the same God today.

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### PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S WORK

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I sought sanctification for years. I said if I could find a people that preached the whole Bible and believed and lived it all, I would follow them to the ends of the earth. I hungered and thirsted on and consecrated on. I never saw anyone that had the thing I hungered for. Many claimed to have it, but they had long lost the power of it and I knew it. A hungry heart knows the one that has the experience. Thousands have had it, but they have lost the joyful sound. Many that once preached holiness unto the Lord, freedom from inherited, inbred sin, are backslidden in heart today. When God does the work in your soul, you know you have it, and you can tell other people how to get it.

At last I found the people that had it, and I went down before God to search for it with all my heart. I wrestled with God Almighty, on my face, and told Him I would die for it, I would preach the Gospel, I would do anything if He would only give me that wonderful experience. I wanted my soul satisfied. And at five o'clock one Friday afternoon, the Heavens opened and the sanctifying flame of God came down upon my heart.

The fire fell, and my soul was filled and filled with the power of another world. I knew God had done the work. I took the street car going home and I never heard a street called by its own name. But the conductor seemed to call out, "Praise God," and the next street would be "Hallelujah," and the next, "Glory to God." And when I came to my street, it seemed the conductor called out, "Hallelujah." Oh, it was mine, the experience was mine.

That was not all He did for me. God showed me after He had sanctified me wholly that I needed the power upon my life to do His work. I had been going to the prisons and would get the boys to sign a pledge and say they would never drink again. Fallen girls with bitter tears would say, "You will never see me in this place again." But a few weeks would go by and back they would be again. I had no power except to point them to the living God. I had no power to

cast the devil out. Jesus says, "In My name they shall cast out devils, they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

In 1906, God poured out the Holy Ghost upon His people. We needed power to do the work Jesus commanded us to do. He said, "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." I tarried and God sent the power.

Today, there are multitudes of people that the Holy Ghost has fallen upon, they have power to cast out demons, and men and women that were bound are delivered. People that have received the Holy Ghost have power to lay hands on the sick, they have power to cast out devils, and God sets them free. We are in the midst today of the "latter rain," the power of God is falling in these last day. People come with cancers and tumors; as one little woman did on the camp ground that had three cancers, and it was easy to look into her face and say, "God will heal you." She came back in a few days and they were gone. A brother broke his arm on Friday and on Sunday it was healed instantly when he was prayed for, and he threw up his arm and said, "Oh, I am healed, look, I am healed, I am healed!"

Many have bowed at this altar with legions of demons in them, but God's people have power to cast out the demons, that the oppressed might be delivered and set free. The reason the dope fiend, the drunkard, the fallen woman that were bound by the demons and habits and appetites raging in their lives--the reason those demons are cast out and they are delivered is because someone tarried before God for power from on high over all the powers of the enemy.

It is your privilege to have God's best. It is your privilege to have the power of God resting day and night upon you soul, spirit and body, but you must pay the price God requires or you can never obtain this wonderful gift of power upon your life.

The time is short. God wants us to be ready for the rapture. The trumpet is about to sound and the dead in Christ rise first, and the living saints be caught up to meet their Lord. We must have faith in order to make the Rapture. We must have the Baptism of the Holy Ghost in order to be caught up to meet Jesus in the air. "The wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps." Matt 25:1-10. The Baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire is the preparation to meet the Bridegroom. In times past there were many sanctified souls that did not receive the light of this "latter rain" Gospel; but all today that have sat under the teachings of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost must seek for and obtain the baptism of the Holy Ghost in order to be ready to meet the Lord in the air.

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Multitudes of people in these missions have never had a bottle of medicine in the house or any remedies, or ever call a physician. Thousands through this Gospel can testify that they have been healed by faith in the Son of God of acute and chronic troubles and incurable diseases. There are a great cloud of witnesses that the power of God is just the same today.

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### THE COMING OF JESUS CHRIST

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The signs all about us today proclaim the coming of Jesus Christ to claim His Bride. Who are the ones that will compose the Bride of Christ? Those that are watching and truly loving His appearing and that have the oil in their vessels with their lamps. Matt. 25:1-10.

Jesus said before He went away, "I will come again." John 14:8. And we know that heaven and earth shall pass away but His Word shall not pass away. The angels said when He went away, "This same Jesus which is taken up from you into Heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go away into Heaven." Acts 1:11.

And the Holy Ghost, by many in these last days, has said, "Jesus is coming soon." And with this weight of evidence in favor of His soon coming, how earnestly we ought to watch for the glorious appearing of the Son of God to claim His spotless Bride.

When He first came as a Savior, the Jews did not accept Him as their Messiah. "He was rejected of men." But there were a few honest hearts that did accept Him, as Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, Simeon and Anna in the temple, John the Baptist and the common people.

The shepherds were humble men that were keeping watch over their flocks by night on the Galilean hills, and to them the angel of the Lord was sent to declare, "Unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior which is Christ the Lord." They were the first to go and worship Him. The multitudes of the Jews that professed to be looking for the Messiah, heard no angel choir that wonderful night; their hearts were all unprepared for the lowly One, they were out of tune with Heaven.

But away out in the heathen world, the wise men of the East saw a new star appear, the Star of Bethlehem. They were scanning the Heavens for a sign to herald the birth of the King whom they believed should be born into the world. They were expecting some great event, just as the world today feels in the very atmosphere some change about to take place. And they came to Jerusalem, to the people to whom God had always manifested Himself, and asked, "Where is He that is born King of the Jews, for we have seen His star in the east and are come to worship Him?" It startled the usurper Herod and the people of Jerusalem. No one in that city had heard of the birth of the King.

So shall it be in the closing scenes of this earth's harvest of souls. None will see Him when He comes but those that are pure in heart and have prepared themselves to meet the Bridegroom at His coming, arrayed in spotless robes pure and white, looking for and loving the appearing of the great God and our savior Jesus Christ.

Many are the signs of His coming today, but the eyes of the multitudes are blinded to them, their ears are deaf to all that God is speaking in the earth today to warn men of the coming of God's Son from heaven. They are saying "Where is the promise of His coming, for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."

Daniel prophesied concerning the last days, "The wise shall understand, but none of the wicked shall understand." The people that believe God today are the wise that understand the things that are about to transpire. The coming of the Lord will be as a flash of lightning from east to west, and the translation of the saints will be in a moment in the twinkling of an eye. "One shall be taken and another left." Jesus said, "There shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken and the other left. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matt. 24:40-42.

Here and there some morning they will miss some one from the home, and from their place of work. Here and there, a faithful mother or true worker for souls, the man of God that stands for the old-time Gospel, the humble servant in the kitchen that has been serving the Master and witnessing for Him. It will not be the multitudes that will be caught away, but it will be the little flock, the full overcomers.

Scientists and students of history, like the wise men of the East, today, feel that some tremendous event is about to take place. One writer says, "It may be well to watch for the second appearance of the Man of Galilee." Another wrote, "The very atmosphere is charged with the fact that we are entering into a new epoch. It is clearly evident that the opening of this great epoch will be the second appearing of the Man of Galilee, called Jesus, the Messiah of the

Jews.” Those men are not followers of the Christ, yet they feel we are on the verge of a revolution in this world and the fulfillment of the Scriptures in the coming again of Jesus Christ.

Let us look up and lift up our heads, for the time of our redemption draweth nigh, the coming of the Bridegroom of our souls. Soon the cry will be heard, “Behold the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet Him.” And the Bride of Christ will be caught away out of the Great Tribulation, as Noah and his family escaped from the flood. The saints will be miraculously translated and taken out of this world, above the clouds to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

“I’m watching, I’m waiting,  
I’m listening while I pray,  
‘Behold, the Bridegroom cometh!’ is the cry;  
His bride alone will hear it,  
And we’ll be caught away.  
Changed in the twinkling of an eye.”

Two tracts on the Baptism of the Holy Ghost are published at this Mission. They will explain the Bible teaching and answer questions on this subject of deepest interest to the child of God and worker for the Lord. They are free.

Before these papers are sent out, they are always prayed over for the healing of the sick and the salvation of souls. The sacks of mail are taken up on the platform, and after the altar service the workers gather about them, many kneeling and laying their hands on them and praying, and God answers those prayers.

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### Important Questions--Bible Answers

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Is the witness of the Spirit necessary to salvation?

Yes. “The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God.” Rom. 8:16.

“He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself.” I John 5:10.

“Hereby we know that He abideth in us by the Spirit which He hath given us.” I John 3:24.

“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” Rom. 5:1.

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus.” Rom. 8:1.

“Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin.” I John 3:9.

“We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren.” I John 3:14.

“Hereby we do know that we know Him if we keep His commandments.” I John 2:3.

Does the Bible teach the immortality of the soul?

Yes; the spirit and soul continue to live after separation from the body.

“And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway.” Luke 8:55.

“And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham’s bosom.” Luke 16:22.

Christ said to the penitent thief on the cross, “Verily I say unto thee, today shalt [thou] be with Me in Paradise.” Luke 23:43.

God spoke at the burning bush, “I am the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. God is not the God of the dead but of the living.” Matt. 22:32.

“And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Acts 7:59.

John said, “I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the Word of God and for the testimony which they held. Rev. 9:9.

Paul said, “For me to live is Christ and to die is gain. . . . Having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better.” Phil 1:21, 23.

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Does the Word teach that a soul that dies in sin has a second chance after death?

No, death ushers the soul into eternity, and just as that soul has lived so shall it remain.

“He that is unjust let him be unjust still, and he which is filthy let him be filthy still, and he that is righteous let him be righteous still.” Rev. 23:11.

“In the place where the tree falleth there shall it be.” Ecce. 11:3.

“The wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God.” Psalm 9:17.

“To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” Heb. 4:7.

The word of God holds forth no hope for a soul to be saved after death. It is a false doctrine contrary to the Word of God and is a snare to souls to decoy them into hell. The teaching of purgatory after death to cleanse souls is a delusion, nothing will save but the Blood of Jesus Christ, and now is the only time to get ready for Heaven.

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Where does the Bible teach the eternal judgment and doom of the wicked?

“Then shall He say also to them on the left hand, Depart from Me ye cursed into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels.” Matt. 25:41.

“Even as Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.” Jude 7.

“And shall be tormented day and night forever and ever.” Rev. 20:10.

“Where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched.” Mark 9:44.

“And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and ever; and they have no rest day nor night.” Rev. 14:11.

“And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt.” Dan. 12:2.

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Does the Word teach that after you are saved you should seek sanctification as a second work of grace?

Yes, Jesus prayed for His disciples, “Sanctify them through Thy truth.” John 17:17.

“If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.” I John 1:7.

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9.

“Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word, that He might present it unto Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish.” Eph. 5:25-27.

“Knowing this that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed.” Rom. 6:6.

“Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean, wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.” Psalm 51:7.



“Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of the Lord.” II Cor. 7:1.

“Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own Blood, suffered without the gate.” Heb. 13:12.

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Where does the Bible teach healing of the body through faith in God, instead of doctors and medicine?

“I am the Lord that healeth thee.” Ex. 15:26. This covenant of God Almighty with His children has never been done away. His Word believed in brings healing today of sickness and disease.

“Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses.” Matt. 8:17. Jesus made atonement for sickness as well as for sin on the cross.

“These signs shall follow them that believe: they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.” Mark 16:17. This is for believers for all time, not only for the disciples but for all those that believe the Word of God today.

“The prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise him up.” James 5:15. Thousands have been healed these last days through the prayer of faith.

“And King Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet until his disease was exceeding great. Yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord but to the physicians. And Asa slept with his fathers and died.” II Chron. 16:12, 13.

But King Hezekiah when he was sick unto death wept and prayed to the Lord, and the Lord answered him and told the prophet Isaiah to go and say unto him: “I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears; behold, I will heal thee; on the third day, thou shalt go unto the house of the Lord, and I will add unto thy days fifteen years.” II Kings, 20:1-6.

(Anyone who is sick and suffering or wants more light on Divine healing can send to this Mission for two free tracts on healing, “What the Bible teaches on healing,” and “Power in the Blood of Jesus to heal the sick.” They are free.)

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Are there conditions to be met in order to receive Divine Healing?

Yes, you must renounce the world and all its follies, and walk in the light God has given you. Many times God heals sinners who know nothing about God and are seeking light; but if you have once known God and have wandered away from Him, or if you are not fully consecrated, God will require you to give your life to Him. Consecrate your all, give Him all you have; then all that He promised in His Word shall be yours, even healing for your body. Read Exodus 15:26.

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Does the Word forbid worldly dress?

Yes. Paul says in I Tim. 2:9, “In like manner also that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety, not with broidered hair or gold or pearls or costly array.” Modest apparel does not mean immodest skirts and low-necked and short-sleeved dresses. Gold ornaments, feathers and flowers are not worn by our people, for the Word plainly forbids it.

“Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair and wearing of gold or putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart.” I Peter 3:3, 4.

If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.” I John 2:15, 16.

When a soul is saved, they want to abide in the whole will and Word of God, and it is sweet to them to bow their will to the revealed Word of God.

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Do you teach Church Organization?

No. Jesus is the head of the church. He takes the members into the church when they are saved, and puts them out when they backslide. He also appoints His ministry. He had but one church. He said, "Upon this rock will I build My church"--not My churches. Christ has but one body, which is the church. He prayed that His disciples might be one. There is but one church today, but its members are scattered around in and out of the many denominations. So the Holy Spirit puts you into the church. No man can put you in or put you out. You might be a member of a church for years, but if you have not the Blood of Jesus Christ in your heart, you are none of His. If you have Christ you have life, and there is no life outside of Christ.

A body of saved people gathered together in Jesus' name, trusting the Holy Spirit to lead them in their worship, is a Scriptural assembly. This work is not an organization, it is the old-time body of believers of Apostolic times.

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Is the so-called "new light" or "one work" teaching, that a soul can receive Justification and Sanctification at the same time, according to Scriptures?

No. It is contrary to the teachings of the Word of God and to the experiences of God's people down the ages. The prophets, apostles, martyrs, and holy people of God that have been most used of Him have taught sanctification and lived it. God raised up John Wesley to establish sanctification as a second work of grace subsequent to justification in the Church of Christ, and thousands have gone home to glory with the blessed experience of holiness. God in these last days since 1906 has sent a mighty outpouring of the Spirit upon sanctified souls. We have never seen one in that time receive the baptism without being first sanctified and cleansed by the Blood from all carnality. God never pours out His Spirit on an unclean vessel. Beware of such "new light," it is a delusion of the devil.

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What doctrines does this Apostolic Faith teach?

Repentance, Restitution, Justification, Sanctification, the Baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, the Second Coming of Christ, the Tribulation, the Millennial Reign, the Great White Throne Judgment, the New Heavens and new Earth, an Eternal Hell, the Ordinances of (1st) Baptism by Immersion; (2nd) the Lord's Supper; (3rd) Washing of Disciples' Feet, Divine Healing. And all that Jesus taught. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Matt. 28:19, 20.

## THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

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### **Stretching Forth His Hand To Heal The Sick.**

The God of Heaven has the same power to heal the sick today and do mighty signs and wonders as He had in days of old.

He is reaching forth His hand and healing sickness and disease in our midst. He confirms His Word with signs and wonders wherever it is preached in its [fullness] and with the power sent down from Heaven. We do not take out the 16th of Mark or the 5th of James from the Bible, but we believe it all, teach it all and live it all. That is the reason the dope fiend and drunkard are delivered, and cancers and tumors and consumption are healed. Jesus said:

“These signs shall follow them that believe.”

A physician of Portland is a witness of a real miracle of healing by the hand of the Lord, the healing of three cancers last summer. This physician examined the patient and told her that she was past medical aid. He saw her lately and asked for the privilege of examining her again. To his surprise and amazement, he saw that the cancers had disappeared and she was a well woman. He walked up and down the room saying, “It is wonderful, I do not understand it. Some miracle has taken place.” The sister is rejoicing and praising God for perfect healing.

Another wonderful case

of healing was that of a broken bone. A man who is a sinner had broken his arm, but he knew that God healed people at the Mission on Front and Burnside Streets, because he has been there. He came with his arm in a sling, the hand was helpless, he could not move his fingers. He knelt and rested it on a chair while they prayed, then he bent his hand and smiled. His landlady came the next day. She laughed and cried as she told how that he was perfectly well and was telling unbelievers what God had done for him. She had come to ask prayer for two others. One of them had a disease in the side of his head that had been troubling him for years, and he was healed and saved and comes to the Mission and testifies.

Some think it impossible for God to heal a broken bone, but there are several witnesses in the Mission here that God not only can do it but has done it for them.

Afflicted from his birth.

In Eugene, Oregon, the Lord stretched forth His hand and performed a wonderful healing recently, well known to the physicians in that city and to many other people, some of whom came to the house to see the child that had been so marvelously healed. The boy is ten years old and had been terribly afflicted with eczema every since he was born. The sores covered his body, at times his eyes were nearly swelled shut, his head bent to one side, his neck stiff, and his limbs so crippled that he could not straighten them and had to walk with crutches.

His parents sent to the Portland Mission and also to the Eugene Mission for prayer, and were trusting him wholly in the hands of the Lord. At that time, he was lying at death's door with typhoid fever. The mother was standing by the bedside, when she felt the wonderful presence of Jesus come down, and the boy was instantly healed and asked to get up. The terrible eczema, the fever and other troubles vanished, including rupture which he had had since a child. He was able to walk fifteen blocks to the Mission that night and has been well and vigorous ever since. The doctors all knew the case and had given him up. It is a witness to the people of Eugene that Jesus Christ heals the same today.

Through Faith in the Son of God

A woman afflicted with cataracts on her eyes came from near Spokane and was perfectly healed. She had been at the Mission only twice and went home happy and praising God, saying she never knew such people were in the world.

A woman in Oregon City had suffered for years from a disease which the doctors could not cure. And as the result of a prayer meeting held in her home, she was saved and later completely healed.

Others have been healed in Oregon City of incurable diseases as a result of the open air meetings held from the Gospel Auto there. One was healed of dropsy of twenty years' standing, another of chronic stomach trouble and another of rheumatism.

A woman from Leavenworth, Washington, was lame and had other diseases, and went home perfectly healed, and is telling all her neighbors and rejoicing.

A man came to the camp meeting and was saved and sanctified and healed from the results of a terrible accident from which he had suffered for years. He had to use a cane in walking. The Lord healed him at the altar, and now he has thrown aside his cane and is telling everywhere what God has done for him.

In Vancouver, Washington, a family received an Apostolic Faith paper at their door. The daughter was lying in bed sick with serious trouble in her side from which she had suffered a long time. And she took the paper and laid it on her side and was instantly healed. From that time, she was under conviction until she came to the camp meeting and was saved. The whole family were brought into the Gospel through that one paper received at their door.

From across the waters.

A Finnish sister in Russia had been given up to die by the doctors. She was thinking how hard it would be to leave her two children without a mother to care for them, and as she was sad and broken hearted she received tidings that God was still working in the earth today, healing the sick. She received an anointed handkerchief from Portland. One of her children was also sick, and she took the child in her arms and prayed for him and at the same time for herself, and they were both healed. She gives God the glory and praise for the healing of her child and the saving of her life.

Hundreds of letters come to the Mission, many of them containing handkerchiefs from sick and afflicted people. They are prayed over and sent back and the sick are healed; not only in this land but across the waters in Finland, Norway, Sweden and other countries. God is working in the earth today, raising up witnesses of His power to save and heal.

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“HIMSELF BARE OUR SICKNESSES.”

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In the Garden of Eden, God made a promise to our first parents who fell and as a result brought sin and disease into the world; He said to them, “The seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent’s head.” That Seed was Jesus Christ. He has power over sickness and sin, all power in heaven and earth. And there is no serpent’s sting, whether of the body or soul, but that He can cure it; whether it is a cancer or tumor or consumption or the habit of morphine or drink. That promise of God holds good today. We have put it to the test and we know it.

You can say in the presence of the worst disease that is fastened upon a human life, that the Christ, the risen One, has all power to touch that body and lift it up. It is through faith in God. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God. We know there is nothing too hard for our God.

A woman in the mission had been a trained nurse and had become a morphine fiend for years, her body a mass of running sores from the use of the needle and knife. She could find no

medical help to break the habit. Doctors gave her no hope, but God delivered her and healed her in a moment. Many others have been delivered of appetites of drink, snuff, drugs and cigarettes. Oh, the mercy of God with His wonderful power and stretched out arm!

Jesus died that we might be saved, he bled that we might be healed. He suffered that we might go free. "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." He is the same yesterday, today and forever. He hung on the cross and gave His life, the real Lamb of God, He suffered and hung there from the morning till the evening sacrifice. His Blood was spilt, His hands and feet and side were pierced. He died on the cross, that you and I might have the full inheritance of all the Word of God wrought out in our lives--not to bear our sicknesses and diseases and sorrow and suffering, but that we might be redeemed and walk this earth as witnesses that His Word is true--"Himself bare our sicknesses."

The old simple truth of the Gospel is too simple for the nineteenth century, but God is bringing the faith back to earth again. Consumptives are healed today by the power of the Blood of Jesus Christ and many cancers have dropped out and tumors and every disease has been healed. It is wonderful what God can do for the sick and suffering body; but it is more wonderful still for Him to redeem lost and hopeless men and women and restore them back to purity and victory over sin.

We are living in the days of the last call, when people are going out into the highways and hedges, and the outcasts are hearing the Word of God, and Jesus rebukes every power of sin and habit and appetite and sets them free.

Many put their trust in the false religions of New Thought, Christian Science, Mental Science and Buddhism; many trust their cases in the hands of physicians and surgeons, but our trust is in the Great Physician.

A woman came to be prayed for that she might be healed from an awful disease, and we said to her, "Do you believe that Jesus Christ will heal your body?" She said, "I believe that He can heal my body." We said, "That is not sufficient, that is faith afar off, but you bring it nigh and believe that He will heal your body." She said, "I believe He will do it sometime." We said, "Believe it now." And the seed of faith dropped into her soul and she looked up and said, "I believe it now." And God healed her. God wants you to believe that Jesus Christ has power to do it now.

Many believe that God can heal their bodies, but they have not that active faith, that confidence in their soul that brings His promise into effect. When you believe that He not only can but that He will do it, the moment you come to Him with confidence, your faith will be in operation and the healing virtue will come down upon your sick body.

God has raised up many from death beds that were passing away, the death rattle in their throat. They sent for the people of God to pray, and He reached down His mighty arm and broke the chains of death and raised them up. He is soon coming back to earth again, and He said, "When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" He is preparing His Bride for the greatest event the world has ever known, and building up the church of God that they might have faith in their hearts.

We believe the whole Word of God, that is the reason the sick are healed, the fallen are delivered. God is reaching forth His hand of mercy, and healing every one today that will say, "Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean."

Physicians today with all their skill and increase of knowledge are not able to cope with the awful diseases of the last days. Consumptives are dying in the hospitals, and those suffering

with cancers can find no cure, even through the surgeon's knife. But when Jesus Christ heals the body, it is healed.

When sickness visits the home, these people do not turn to the arm of flesh, but they lean wholly on God Almighty. If you are a follower of Christ, you will trust Him as your Physician. Many have so learned Christ that they are not leaning upon or depending upon the arm of flesh, but on the great God of Heaven. They can meet any disease with faith and confidence in Him, and the enemy is rebuked, the disease departs, and God gets the glory. That is our privilege in Christ Jesus.

Today, we are under the lifted rod. He has borne away the curse, and we need not be sick and suffering. The Blood was shed for our sicknesses as well as for our sins. "With His stripes we are healed."

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### THE WAY TO GET CLOSER TO GOD

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As long as the children of God remain in this world, they will be tried as gold is tried; refined and perfected that they might reflect the image of Jesus Christ. The more you die to self, the more Christ will be seen in your life.

There is a continual death to self that goes on in the child of God. After you are saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, there yet remains a self life in you that must be yielded to God continually, bruised and brought under, as Paul said, "I keep my body under"--"I die daily"--"I press toward the mark of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." He had a great measure of Jesus Christ in his life continually, but he longed to know Christ in the fellowship of His sufferings, that he might be made conformable unto His death.

And it is just as necessary for you to press on for more grace and more power with God as it is to seek the saving and sanctifying grace in the first place. The Blood of Jesus must flow through your heart and soul continually keeping your life pure, that you might retain that simplicity of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Patience in tribulation."

As you submit that self may die your will more and more becomes lost in the will of God. You will be shut in with Him. There are but few people who live in the secret place of the Most High continually, who live to please God alone, an unselfish life towards God and towards all.

After Jesus was anointed with the Holy Ghost at the River Jordan, He was led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil forty days. And He resisted every temptation by the Word of God, saying, "It is written": and He came back in the power of the Spirit into Galilee. Every true disciple of Jesus will go through the wilderness, the persecutions, the trials and tests that God post them. But they can say, "It is written," and come out of the test with the power of God resting upon their life. God will take you through suffering that you might be made perfect in Christ Jesus, and you will come out of the trial ten times stronger than when you went in, if you stand true to God. He lets His people be tested out, that He might perfect something in their life that nothing else could reach but a fiery trial. It matters not what it is, if you can say like Job, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

#### Faithful in little things

When the Son of Man shall come, He will say to you, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Oh, it means so much to be faithful. We cannot preach like Paul, we cannot sing like the angels, but we can be faithful in the little things. God is looking for faithfulness, that when the trumpet sounds we may be ready to be

caught up to meet the Lord in the air. That is the “blessed hope” of our souls to be found faithful and with a true heart.

Purpose in your heart that you will be faithful. Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king’s meat. He was an exile in Babylon, but he had the commandments of His God written on the fleshly tables of his heart. He opened his windows three times a day and prayed to God, fearing nothing. He could face the lion’s den, because he had the Word of God in his soul. He had consecrated to live or die. He had purposed in his heart not to draw back, even if the lions crushed his body and tore him to pieces; he would be faithful to his God.

God tested his loyalty, and He will test your loyalty and faithfulness. He will put His hand on the sacrifice you have laid on the altar, and will you then draw back? Will you not trust God for your soul and body and for your family? Will you not trust Him to carry you through on clean cut Gospel lines? It takes faithfulness to God and consecration to get that loyalty wrought out in your life. It takes the real heart-felt going down before Him. The love of the world, the love of self is all gone. What people may think of you, is on the altar. You will stand for the truth, the doctrine of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that God has revealed in these last days.

“Poor in Spirit.”

“Blessed are the poor in spirit.” Many do not know what it is to be poor in spirit. They have a puffed up spirit, a fleshly mind, they can criticize their brother. You are not poor in spirit if you can do those things. You must keep that simplicity of heart and soul in Christ Jesus, that sincerity, that God can pronounce His blessing upon you---“Blessed are the poor in spirit.” Keep poor in spirit and God will keep His power and blessing upon your life.

Keep little in your own eyes. Keep that melted spirit, that consecration: living a holy life at home and at work, dwelling in the secret places of the Most High, with a deep consecration, a deep humility before Him. There is a secret place for every soul, a lone walk with God where you can prevail with God and bear souls before the Throne.

Oh, that we might decrease that Christ might increase. Jesus said, “Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone.” That is the hardest thing for people to do, to fall into the ground and die, that their lives might bring forth much fruit. God is looking for lives that will die, that Christ might live and reign in them. Not mock humility, that thing that wants to seem humble; but the humility down in the heart that will crave for only Jesus to be exalted.

Keep your mind stayed on the Lord.

“Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee.” Cast your care upon the Lord. When you shut your door at night, every care, every difficulty, every worry should be shut out. The enemy cannot bring worry to your mind if it is stayed on the Lord; but you can go to your room to commune with God and read His Word.

There is a secret in keeping the mind under the Blood, sanctified and under the control of the Spirit. Many a test will come into your life and may cause you to be troubled; and not having power to lay it all at the foot of the Cross, your mind may be burdened about your business or care in your home. It is because you have not the power to bring your mind into subjection to the Spirit. But when the Word of God branches out into every avenue of your life, you will have power over your mind, power to bring every thought into subjection. After you are sanctified and even baptized with the Holy Ghost, you should keep going down before God, dying out to self, your own will, and giving the Word of God place in your heart until your life will become saturated with perfect faith in God. Then you will have power to bring your mind into subjection.

The Psalmist said, "Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight." Get this word of God in your heart and you will have a standard raised up against the enemy. Many think because God has done a work in their heart, they can really allow to pass through their minds thoughts contrary to the Spirit of Jesus Christ. God does not want you to have a thought contrary to His will. He says, "Bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." Do not let your mind wander and entertain thoughts that are not acceptable in His sight, but let every thought be brought into obedience to Christ.

Do not defend yourself.

When you are buffeted for your faults, the Word says, "Take it patiently." If you get out of God's order through disobedience and suffer for it, that is not a trial to be rewarded for, but it is only being buffeted for your fault, that you might get back into the Word of God. Many when opposed or rebuked begin to excuse and defend themselves. That is the self life. Not many are looking for a chance to die to self. You can defend yourself till the Spirit of God will leave you. But God says, "He that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

You must suffer if you would reign.

God is looking for real martyrs, men and women who are willing to bear the reproach of the Gospel; who are saying, "Lord, purge me and try the reins of my heart at any cost, only make me like Thy Son." And as you hold steady in the trial, the fire burns and purifies and tries, and you will come out more than conqueror. Pray for fire and God will send the fire. He is able to keep you and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy. Fiery trial may be all about you, but all things work together for your good. "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord." Do you believe it? Fiery trial will only burn up the dross. God is preparing His Bride to enter into the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. He wants to perfect the fruit, His work within. After the Blood has saved and sanctified, God puts the fire on your life to refine you.

Hold still in trial.

"Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous; nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby." Hebrews 12:11. If we go through the trial patiently with grace in our heart, it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness. It is the trial of your faith that worketh patience. The Father's hand is over you, and not a sparrow falls to the ground without His notice.

All you need to know is that you have not committed sin or let carnality creep back into your heart. If you have been true to God, down in your soul is a deep assurance and confidence that all is well. God will bring all out for your good. He is preparing you that you might reign with Him in glory.

When you are chastened or the fiery trial is on your life, always keep that tenderness toward God that can say, "Lord, Thou knowest the way that I take, and when Thou hast tried me I shall come forth as gold." God must have a tried people. "Many shall be purified, made white and tried."

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These are the testimonies of witnesses that know and can tell what God has done for them. There are hundreds of other wonderful testimonies that cannot be given for lack of space.

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From Witnesses That Know

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I wrote you last winter for an anointed handkerchief for gall stones, and I am healed.--  
Beaumont, Tex.

I do thank God for healing my eyes, bless His holy name. He touched my eyes in mighty  
power and they are now as good as ever.--Fredricktown, N. J.

Praise God for the time I sent the handkerchief to Portland for you to pray for my little girl  
for chills and fever. At the time it came back she was healed and has not had another chill since.  
Praise and thank God.--Kennett, Mo.

I want to tell you of the healing of my sprained ankle. I hopped along with a cane till I got  
home and called for the anointed handkerchief and laid it around my ankle, and the next morning  
I walked to meeting and my foot was well.--Elkhurst, W. Va.

I received the handkerchief and laid it on my eyes and they were healed, for which I do give  
God all the glory. And another sister was very sick and laid it on and prayed and she was healed.  
I am praising God for His healing power.--Arapaho, Okla.

I am praising God for health and strength. I am 60 years old and pick over a hundred pounds  
of cotton a day. I am healed of my ulcers. I took cold and had hemorrhage of the lungs. And  
God led me to put one of your dear papers on my bosom and I was healed.--Cedar Hill, Tex.

I sent in a request for prayer and an anointed handkerchief, but I was healed of the fever  
before I received the handkerchief, and when I received it the dear Lord completely healed me of  
the rest, bless His name. I am over here in the mountains teaching school, and I am so hungry to  
be with some of the saints. Your sister, saved, sanctified, baptized and looking for Jesus' second  
coming.--Stanley, Okla.

I could not use one of my fingers for four weeks and had no power to straighten it, and I felt  
sure that the Lord through the anointed handkerchief would heal it and straighten it all right. I  
received the handkerchief late in the evening, and on retiring wrapped it around my hand. I  
woke up in the night and my finger was straight. Glory to God.--Cape Fair, Mo.

I received a handkerchief and the prayers of the saints in Portland in behalf of my daughter to  
be restored to perfect health, and a radical change has taken place. After receiving it on her  
person, the old, stubborn complaint disappeared. She is now quite strong and healthy. God  
alone must accept [our] sincere and thankful feelings which words cannot phrase, for the  
miraculous power in restoring my daughter to health.--Hyderabad, Deccan, India.

The Lord is my healer now. The sick have been healed in our home. A dear woman had been  
given up by the doctors and she came to our home and the Lord graciously healed her body of  
chronic rheumatism. She could not lift her hand to her head. Had been in bed for months and  
could not move her feet. Now she is in perfect health. Do you wonder I love the paper so much?  
We prayed and anointed her with oil in the name of the Lord Jesus. Now she is telling the  
people on the streets what great things the Lord has done for her.--Wimbledon, Surry, Eng.

A week ago today I received your letter with the handkerchief. I had just got through my  
washing and was in such pain. I could hardly keep the tears back. When I got the letter, I knew

its contents, so I went into my room and got on my knees, opened it praise to God and placed the handkerchief around the sore in Jesus' name, and glory to God, in about three minutes the pain was all gone, and now my limb is healed. I truly can praise God, after five months of awful suffering.--Chicago, Ills.

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When I sent for my handkerchief, I had to get a sister to write for me. I could not see anything hardly. I could not see the largest print, could not tell the colors of my clothes, could not stand in the light night or day, but had to stay in the dark all the time. And when I received the letter with the handkerchief in it, I sent for a sister and she read it, and then took the handkerchief out and said, "I think we ought to pray before you put it on." We got down and prayed. Then I put it on just as the letter said, and it was a bright day for the sun was shining. But thank God, I went out, and I have been going ever since. I am writing this myself tonight, and I can see to read my Bible night or day, and it is very small print. God has wonderfully healed me. I know that He heard those dear brothers and sisters in Christ.--Jenkinsjones. W. Va.

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You remember how the Lord healed me of six cancers several years ago through an anointed handkerchief. I cannot praise Him enough for what He has done for me. I praise his dear name with all my heart. You will not wonder when I tell you what He has done again for me. I fell and cut my limb a bad gash. I had to cook for men in haying, and I caused my foot to swell and turn as black as a coal. After supper I got my dishes washed and laid the anointed handkerchief on my foot and prayed till twelve o'clock at night. When I laid it on, it was nine o'clock and when I took it off, it looked just the same as the other, and no pain in it. I got up and got breakfast for the men the next morning. They looked surprised and wanted to know how my foot was and what I put on it. I told them that prayer took it all away. They looked at me with wonder, and I went to church and told about it.--Archie, Ore.

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I wrote to you to pray that I might find a place to work and also that I might receive healing of catarrh of the head that had bothered me ever since I was a boy. And I praise God He has healed me, and I have a place to work.--Beverley, Ark.

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I received the anointed handkerchief in the name of the Lord, and I prayed that He might do the work to His own glory; I laid it upon my child in the name of Jesus. And truly, He did heal her body, praise His dear name.---Newberry, S.C.

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My daughter was helpless for three months. She could not do anything. We saw in one of the papers how the Lord worked, healing the people, and we sent for an anointed handkerchief. She was healed instantly praise Lord. She has been well been ever since. We take the Lord for our healer.--Kiowa, Okla.

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My mother sent in a request for your Mission to pray for her eyes, being almost blind with a growth over the pupil, and God healed her. She can see a fine dark hair on a dark piece of goods, where before she could not tell a window from the door in a building across the street.--Austin, Texas.

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I thank you for the papers. Some of the Indian brothers and sisters value the papers more than money. They lay them on the sick and through the prayer of faith they are healed. Praise

God. Many are saved through reading the papers. Through His marvelous work, they are turned to the Lord.--Gypsumville P. O., Manitoba, Can.

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I sent you a handkerchief to be anointed for the healing of an awful bad and ill-smelling sore on one of my limbs. When you prayed, the pain all left. I had an abscess on the side of my face paining me terribly, and when the handkerchief came, I put it on and the pain went. It is with a grateful heart I can thank God for my healing.--Goldsboro, N. C.

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I had a tumor and the doctors said I could not get better without an operation. I had been sick over a year and a half doctoring all the time. Glory to God, Jesus Christ has healed me. I sent a handkerchief for the saints to anoint and pray over; and when I received it, I laid it on my body and prayed to God, and He healed me of the tumor. Oh, how I do praise Him. I never have had a doctor or medicine since I received one of your papers. I am a Welsh woman.--Oriskany Falls, N. Y.

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The doctor said my daughter would have to have a painful operation. She said she had tried everything and was no better and wrote to me saying, "Mamma, you had better pray for me, I may be a coward, but I don't want that operation." I immediately wired you and asked the Lord to help and prevent that operation. In a few days I received a letter saying she was better and was going to work. I am thankful to our dear heavenly Father whom we know is a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God. Bless His holy name.--Eau Claire, Wis.

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A Finnish sister.--I received the Finnish Apostolic Faith papers, with thanks and have distributed them to saints and sinners. And I read in those papers that the saints had prayed over them before they sent them out. I had had a sore knee for a year. Injured it three different times and it was badly inflamed. For a whole summer I could not sleep except during the mornings. But as I read of the healings through faith, I prayed to God that He would heal me too. I put that paper on my body and laid down peacefully on my bed, praying that my knee would be healed when I awoke. And it was so, the swelling was gone, and the knee was healed. Praise God, Hallelujah.--Holden, Mass.

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The workers in Oakland have been praying for God to open up a Mission in San Francisco where the multitudes in the slums may hear the Gospel. They have held street meetings over in the slum district on what was called "The Barbary Coast," and men have stood and wept and asked why they did not have a Mission in San Francisco. The workers kept praying for it and weeping before God, saying, "Give me San Francisco or I die" and God has opened up an Apostolic Faith Mission at 755 Howard St., San Francisco, Cal.

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I had a cataract cut off from my eye. The doctor who performed the operation told me that when I got old the cataract would begin to grow again and I would become blind. True enough, a few months ago it began to grow again and I was rapidly growing blind. I could not distinguish faces a few feet from me. I called on the saints to pray for me, and God healed my eyes. The cataracts withered and was wiped off, and my eyes are whole today. I praise God that there is no blindness when Jesus touches the eyes.--Apostolic Faith Mission, 60 Cordova St. West, Vancouver, B. C., Can.

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On Thanksgiving Day we were holding a street meeting, and an old gentleman was listening. While handing out papers, the remark was made that a whole family had been saved as a result of reading one paper. He was under conviction, and when he heard the statement he wanted a paper. He went to his room and read about half of the paper and fell on his knees and God wonderfully saved him. And one day while in the Mission praying the fire fell and the Lord sanctified him. He is now all on fire for Jesus and is seeking the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Another precious brother was sanctified at the Mission a week ago and his wife also came to the Gospel. Last Sunday, a crowd of men came up from the street meetings, and five unsaved men were at the altar.--The Apostolic Faith Mission, corner of Main and Missouri Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

## THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

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### Signs of the Soon Coming of Jesus Christ

Today when nation has risen against nation and kingdom against kingdom, we know that the end is drawing near, and the Prince of Peace is coming back to rule on this earth as King of Kings. The Word must be fulfilled that He shall return to judge the nations and reign on earth a thousand years. Signs foretold in Bible days unmistakably mark these as the last days.

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#### War a sign of His coming.

Jesus Christ prophesied that nation should rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom and this should be a sign of His coming and of the end of the world. Read Matt. 24:3-7. Today a monstrous war is raging in Europe, a death struggle among the nations. It is the bloodiest war of all history. The dreadful slaughter of hundreds of thousands goes on. The nations in arms are fighting for their existence and supremacy. Battle fields are strewn with the slain, rivers have been tinged with blood. The North Sea is blocked by mines and all commerce of the world is disturbed.

Immense armies are marching against each other, carrying their field pieces, immense siege guns, pontoon bridges to cross rivers, wireless telegraph, field telephones and aeroplanes. These mighty armies are engaged in a struggle to the death, it is a fulfillment of the Word of God.

There are new types of battleships, new and more powerful guns, and new and more deadly explosives than were ever used in a war before, airships invented for the destruction of life. Never were there such deadly and evil inventions for slaying men as in these last days.

God is not responsible for this outrage of war. He looked down the ages and foresaw that the awful poison of sin, hatred and jealousy would culminate in, the last days in this terrible tragedy; and He spoke through the prophets, foretelling what should be in the last days; and also through the lips of the great Prophet Jesus Christ; that men might understand when they see these things come to pass that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

#### Famines and earthquakes

Jesus said, "There shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places." Luke 21:11.

Recently there have been famines in Russia, China, Japan, India, and pestilences walking abroad. The plague of India has spread to other countries. And famine is following in the wake of war, thousands are now facing starvation. In the city of Brussels in Belgium, two hundred and fifty thousand, or about one third of the population of that city, are said to be dependent on soup served from great soup kitchens in the city. In Belgium today you would see burnt houses, gaping bridges and burned forests; in places nothing but ruins as far as the eye can see. And throughout the fields, mounds of earth marked by wooden crosses--everywhere graves. On one battle field today there is one grave five miles long.

Earthquakes have been very numerous in these last days. It is one of the signs of the coming of the Lord. On January 13th, thousands in Italy met their death, whole towns were wrecked. This is the fourteenth time that Italy has been visited by terrible earthquakes and volcanic eruptions in which thousands have been swept into eternity.

#### The Jews return

"Then shall they ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward." Jer. 50:5. Thousands of Jews have now returned to their land, railways have been built, rivers dammed. Many believe

the Jews are soon coming into possession of their heritage, the land of Palestine. The temple will then be built and the prophecy be fulfilled, when the Anti-Christ shall make a covenant with the Jews and set himself up in the temple of God, showing himself as god.

Turkey for centuries has held Palestine in its possession, but it must return to the Jews, its rightful owners. It is a significant fact that Turkey has entered the war and the head of the Moslem church has officially declared a holy war. News of this proclamation has stirred the Mohammedan world and Christian refugees are already fleeing from the interior to the coast where they can have protection. Mohammedans are scattered over many lands, numbering hundreds of millions, in Africa, Asia and distant lands. The Sultan of Turkey is the successor of Mohammed and he has the power to summon the Mohammedan hordes of Asia and Africa to invade Europe. The Mohammedans have a deep-seated hatred for Christians and in their prayers addressed to Allah, they plead for the destruction of Christians. Of one thing we may be certain, God's Word will be fulfilled. He rules in the affairs of men.

Automobiles in the streets

Nahum 2:3, 4.

The automobiles jostling in the streets by the thousands in the cities of our land today and other lands, are a marked sign of the day of the preparation of the Lord. They are multiplying on every hand and are being used in the war and for every conceivable purpose. The prophet spoke of them as the chariots in the day of His preparation.

“False prophets.”

“And many false prophets shall arise and shall deceive many.” Matt. 24:11. Today, New Thought, Christian Science, Buddhism and many other false sects have arisen, and with doctrines of devils are deceiving thousands. In California alone there are Buddhist temples now erected in five different cities and deluded men and women are worshipping Hindu priests. Followers of false sects, too numerous to mention, are numbered by hundreds of thousands.

The Great Falling Away

“And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.” Matt. 24:12. these are the words of Jesus Christ, fulfilled to the very letter. We know that before the Anti-Christ is revealed in this world, the great falling away must first come. Read II Thess. 2:3. “Let no man deceive you by any means, for that day shall not come except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition.”

Today, the formality and lack of real spiritual life in the popular churches is appalling. Higher critics are denying the divinity of Jesus Christ and the power of His Blood to save, teaching that there is no hell, teaching that the wicked will go into a state of non-existence or annihilation after death; easing the consciences of the people rather than bearing witness against sin and leading souls to repentance and saving faith.

The Gospel preached in all the world

“And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come.” Matt 24:14. The Bible has now been translated into almost all known languages and dialects, and the Gospel has been carried to every nation in a more or less degree. Bibles and Scripture portions are being distributed as never before by hundreds and thousands in many languages and in all lands. River boats in China are carrying Bibles up the streams and rivers, and great societies for the distribution of the Word of God are sending them to the soldiers and to prisoners, and every nation is receiving the Word. There never was in the history of the world such a distribution of the Scriptures. They can be had by the poorest.

“The Latter Rain.”

The sign of the “latter rain” as prophesied by Joel is fulfilled: “He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain and the latter rain in the first month. . . . And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.” Joel 2:23, 28.

God is pouring out His Spirit upon His sons and daughters, and they are going out and preaching the Gospel and the signs are following. In the last nine years multitudes have heard the full Gospel preached and thousands have been saved, sanctified and Baptized with the Holy Ghost, and healed.

The lame are walking, the blind are seeing, cancers and tumors have withered up under the mighty touch of the Son of God. Multitudes of the sick all over the world have been healed through prayer. The drunkards and morphine fiend are now praising God and testifying on the streets of what Jesus has done for them. Fallen women are saved and are rescuing others.

In the Missions in the cities up and down the coast, hundreds are praying to God at once in audible prayer, like the musical flow of many waters. And the miracle of speaking in other tongues has mightily convinced the skeptic and unbeliever, for they have heard them speak in their own tongue the wonderful works of God. The Jew, the Italian, the Frenchman, the Indian and many others that understand Latin and Greek and Hebrew have heard the unlearned speaking the most wonderful messages of Scripture. They spoke as the Spirit gave utterance. It has brought foreigners to the feet of Jesus and convinced the gainsaying that the God of the Bible is the same today.

Heaping up riches.

“Ye have heaped treasures together for the last days.” James 5:2. Millionaires are no longer a curiosity and multi-millionaires are common. Many today are making a god of gold and silver of their homes, their bank account, their property. Covetousness is the curse of this age. God says, “Beware of covetousness, which is as the sin of idolatry.”

The Word tells of the rich man who was hoarding up his money for days to come. And he said, “I will pull down my barns and build greater,” when a voice from Heaven said, “Thou fool, this night shall thy soul be required of thee.” The day is soon coming when the rich men shall hide themselves in the rocks and caves of the earth. “And they shall go into the holes of the rocks and into the caves of the earth, for the fear of the Lord and for the glory of His majesty, when He ariseth to shake terribly the earth. In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats.” Isaiah 2: 19, 20.

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Saved from suicide.--There are many in this Mission that came without a ray of hope, that were on their way to jump over the bridge into the river. They saw the electric sign that hangs over the street. That sign has turned many a soul from the dark river to this altar, and today their feet are on the mighty Rock of Ages, their names written in Heaven. They are part of the church of the first born that the gates of hell cannot prevail against.

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Jesus Christ is the only one exalted in this work. His is the only name you see printed in these papers. We purpose to magnify His name and His only. To Him belongs all praise for the work that is done.

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A great many sick people have been healed by laying these papers on their afflicted bodies and looking to God for that special purpose.

### **Repent or Perish.**

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Belshazzar, the King of Babylon, sat at his royal feast with a thousand of his lords and saw himself a monarch of fame, honor and prestige. But when in the height of his magnificence, power and security, in his banquet hall that night, a mighty hand shot forth and wrote upon the wall, sealing the doom of that wicked king. And the same night Belshazzar the king was slain.

Upon Sodom and Gomorrah, those wicked cities of the plains, God visited His judgments. He rained fire and brimstone on them out of Heaven and destroyed them all. On that awful night, there was a voice of the one righteous man of the city that cried out in warning, "Up, get you out of this place, for the Lord will destroy this city." He plead with them to escape for their lives, but they said he was a fanatic and his words were idle tales. And when the morning came, the angels took Lot and his family by the hand and drew them out and said to them, "Escape for thy life, look not behind thee." And as soon as they were escaped, the smoke of the city went up as a great furnace. (Genesis 19:12-24.)

And we read that when God would have destroyed Ninevah, He sent the prophet Jonah to go and declare to that great city, "Yet forty days and Ninevah shall be overthrown." But the people began to repent in sackcloth and ashes and to fast and turn from their wickedness. From the King of Ninevah down, they clothed themselves in sackcloth and it was proclaimed in the streets that no man or beast should eat or drink, that God might turn away His wrath. And God saw their works and that they turned from their evil way, and He repented of the judgment that [He] had said He would do. (Jonah 3.)

You see the difference, one city repented and the other did not and was destroyed by fire and brimstone. God knows the heart. He sees whether you purpose in your heart that you will serve Him or serve the god of this world. You can choose today whom you will serve. But the God of Heaven will call every man to face his life either here or hereafter. If you do not confess now, the time will come when you will be forced to confess when too late, that Jesus is the Lord.

God gives you the privilege of walking after your own choice today. He does not force you to serve Him. You may think you are all right in your self-security, but it is the mercy of God that lets you live today. Your breath would leave your body in a moment, were it not for the long suffering of God that gives you an opportunity to repent.

What are you going to do after death? You cannot escape death. That is one thing men cannot save themselves from; for God has said, "it is appointed unto men once to die." You must die, and what are you going to do then? How do you expect to face the God of justice? How do you expect to face the throne after mercy has left the throne and Jesus has ceased to stand with five bleeding wounds? What are you going to do when mercy is removed?

There is a time coming when God's law will have to take its course. His law is unchangeable and his judgments certain. You may escape the law of this land, but God's law is unerring and sure. The time will come when He will bring you face to face with Him in judgment. "After death the judgment." If God should now stretch out His hand and write your doom as He did in the old banquet hall of Belshazzar, when the king's countenance was changed and his knees smote together, an awful fear would strike your soul.

John saw the Judge upon the Great White Throne, from whose face the heavens and the earth fled away. And John said, "I saw the dead small and great stand before God, and the books were opened. . . . and whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." How can you expect God Almighty to have mercy upon you in that day when you have no mercy upon your own soul? God requires you to walk before Him and be perfect.



He says, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man." If you spurn the mercy of God and reject His Spirit, He may one day forsake you and leave you to your own way. Saul after he had turned back from God, was forsaken of Him, the Spirit left him, God would not answer him, he became lost to God through disobedience and had no one to call upon. He had slain the prophets and he went groveling down into a witch's den and sought information from a familiar spirit, how the battle was to end. He lost the victory, and seeing his awful loss, committed suicide, falling on his own sword. He was a backslider, a rebel against God Almighty, a man that God had called and put in a position where he could be king over God's people; but he turned his back on God and refused to listen to reproof. So it is today with people that disobey God.

Where will you spend eternity? You cannot go around the question, you cannot evade it, God wants you to decide now for eternity. You may have the glitter of the world, you may enjoy its pleasures; but when it is gone, when sin will no longer satisfy, when the things you indulge in no longer yield pleasure to you, then you will see the emptiness of sin. God says, "The way of the transgressor is hard." Why not seek His face today, and say, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." You know God's Word is true. It is for whosoever will, and it is for you.

What is the price of your soul? How do you value it? What would you take in exchange for it? Your soul will exist through endless ages, it is priceless. It took the shed Blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, to purchase your redemption--not silver nor gold, but the precious Blood of Jesus. That is the value that God has placed on your soul. He knows what it would mean for you to lose your soul. He has purchased for that soul eternal life. Will you sell it for pleasure or gain, friends or money? Is the Gospel of Jesus Christ a small matter to you? Can you afford to barter your soul?

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### Street Revivals

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Today thousands are hearing this wonderful truth, the sick and discouraged, coming and hearing the Gospel from Gospel Autos on the streets, and many are being saved. Autos are carrying the Gospel to towns, to the streets and to the jails.

In Eugene, Oregon, the workers have been going out to four outlying towns and giving out the Gospel in open-air meetings from a Gospel Auto truck, carrying a band of workers, and singers from the Mission.

From the Dallas Mission, workers go to Salem and hold meetings on the street from a Gospel Auto truck, and the people stand and drink in every word and gladly take the papers. God is causing all classes of people to listen to this mighty Gospel, people who would not come into the meetings on account of being ashamed of the reproach of Christ but will stand on the streets and gladly listen and take the papers.

Gospel Auto meetings are held every week in Oregon City and Vancouver, Washington. The crowds are immense at the open-air meetings. A band of workers and singers with a street organ and other instruments go over from the Portland Mission every Saturday and hold meetings on the street. Souls have been wonderfully saved and sick bodies healed.

Many have been saved through the street meetings in Portland, held from the Gospel Autos. Many are testifying on the streets that they were saved out of the gutter or were fashionable church members just passing on the street when they heard the truth that saved their souls. Others tell the wonderful story of how they fell on their knees on the cobble stones of the street and arose with victory over sin, habits and appetites.

Tramps and hobos, hopeless and powerless on the street corners in Portland hear that there is a God of Heaven that can take out the sin from their heart and give them faith of God, and they

are here in this Mission to testify to the mighty Blood of the Christ that came down upon their life and washed away every sin, every habit and appetite and poured out His grace and Spirit and power into their life, giving them power to face the enemy in every test and temptation.

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“I WAS BORN AND RAISED A CATHOLIC.”

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I praise God that He redeemed me, I know I am saved through the precious Blood of Jesus. He has taken me out of darkness. I was born and raised a Catholic and tried many [times] to be a good Catholic, but I gave it up because I could not be a hypocrite.

In San Francisco, sitting in the kitchen reading a novel, God came into that room and spoke to me and showed me my lost condition. I threw the book into a corner, and from that day to this I have never read another novel. I came down to a little Mission and gave my heart to God. And ever since then, I have been going on in the narrow way with the joy in my soul, and it has been the happiest time of my life.

I praise Him for sanctifying me wholly and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and giving me power to stand and tell of the love of Jesus.

I want to praise Him for what He has done for me in the last six weeks. I was coming home on a motorcycle and a truck ran into me and broke my arm, crushed my lungs and my head, and the doctor did not know whether I would live or not. But Jesus Christ is my physician, not a drop of medicine passed my lips. God answered the prayers of the saints. Their prayers reached heaven and touched the throne of God, and He healed me. I praise Him for the healing virtue in the Blood.--Portland, Ore.

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Thousands read these paper, some in distant lands translated into Norwegian, Swedish, German, Finnish and Bohemian, and throughout the United States and Canada, and all over the world. Many papers are read by the sick in hospitals and by prisoners behind the bars. The prayers of God's people will follow every paper.

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A FINNISH SOCIALIST SAVED

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I was a drunkard and drank from ten years of age, and I am thirty-one years old now. I gambled and used cigarettes and got so that I smoked all the time except when I ate or slept. Smoking was the worst habit I had. I tried to quit smoking and drinking and could not. My father was a murderer and I inherited an awful temper, and when I would get mad I would grasp anything to strike with.

My wife was saved a couple of years before I was. She was always praying for me. We had a little meeting among the Finnish Apostolic Faith people. I came in contact with this Gospel when they first came to Seattle. I was a desperate sinner, a worldly man, a tailor by trade, and at the same time I was a drunkard. I heard people talk against these people and I fought against them. There was not a bad enough thing for me to say, at the same time I knew they had real salvation. They prayed for me and I got under conviction. I had such an aching in my heart. I could not stand it. If I had not had my wife and three children, I would have ended it all. I was under such conviction I could not stand it any more, I had to get saved. I came to the meeting one Sunday morning and prayed to God from the bottom of my heart. The tears just rolled down my face, and the power of God came down and I had such relief.

I had been an awful blasphemer too. I could hardly say a word without blaspheming. I was a Socialist and tried to make myself believe I was an infidel, but I never succeeded in convincing

my own heart. I thought it was impossible for me to be saved and delivered from the appetites that bound me, but God made such a radical change, I could never tell it. It was a wonderful experience.--Seattle, Wash.

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“GOD SPOKE” AWFUL CONVICTION TO MY HEART.”

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One day while out hunting, the Holy Ghost spoke awful conviction to my heart and I realized I was a sinner lost and undone and on my way to an endless hell unless I repented. Oh, such misery. I threw myself on my face and clutched at the vegetation. I felt as though I were going to be thrown into eternity. I could not get away from this awful conviction till one night I yielded my stubborn will and asked God to save me and place my sins as far as the east is from the west and remember them against me no more forever. And in that moment the Blood of Christ was applied to my heart and the burden of sin rolled away, and a peace and joy came into my heart. I knew I was born again. The old pipe, cigarettes and life of sin rolled away, and then Jesus gave me grace to ask forgiveness of those I had wronged and pay back what I had stolen and straighten up my back tracks.

About this time I heard of “the latter rain” falling on the people in Los Angeles and that they were speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. And one night as I lay in my bed, the Christ of Calvary spoke to me and said, “Peace be still; out of this movement, I am going to raise a godly people, but many are going to leave their carcasses in the wilderness.”

Afterwards a disease fastened itself upon my body and the best of physicians in this city and in the State of Washington could do nothing for me. Then my wife was taken sick and almost died, and from the effects she became insane. At the end of six months, a sister sent a request to the people of this Mission to pray for my wife, and God heard the prayer of faith and lifted the cloud from her mind, and today she is in her right mind sitting in this Mission. She had been insane for six months when God healed her.

Then I remembered the voice that spoke to me, “Out of this movement, I am going to raise up a godly people.” So we both came to Portland to Front and Burnside. I knew they must be the real people of my Christ. I was sick in body and discouraged, but the moment I came up those stairs I felt the very presence of God, and I said, “This is my home and these are my people.” Oh how thankful I feel that the Holy Ghost has led me where I heard the full Gospel. I had medicine and drugs in my pocket, and I went to the back of the hall and threw them away and took Christ for my Physician, and I am healed of the disease through the Blood, and faith in Christ Jesus.

About three years ago, my boy fell and broke his arm between the wrist and elbow. As he was being carried to the house, his arm crooked, I took hold of the arm and prayed and rebuked the power of darkness, and God instantly set the bone and the arm became straight and never pained him after the first night and healed up without swelling or turning black. How I thank God that He ever led me to Front and Burnside, and for the Blood of Christ that flows for all sin and uncleanness.--Portland, Ore.

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One hundred and fifty thousand Apostolic Faith papers are being printed at this time.

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“HE LED ME FROM SCOTLAND.”

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When a girl in Scotland at the age of thirteen, my parents sent me into a dynamite factory to work. It was very dangerous work; I saw many people killed in an instant of time, no warning, no time to call on God for mercy. I knew I was a lost sinner. God showed me that if I should meet death like many others did in that factory, hell would be my portion. Such conviction rested on my heart that I was afraid to work, especially when thunder and lightning came. I would just tremble and pray to God and ask Him to spare my life. He permitted me to work with a girl who had just found Jesus. She told me the wonderful things God had done for her. I went with her that night to a little church and God saved me and gave me the real thing in my soul. He took away that awful fear which hath torment, and I knew then that sudden death would mean sudden glory to my soul. He kept me with victory in my life.

Two and a half years ago, He led us from Scotland across the waters and across the continent to Portland, Oregon, and to this mission on the corner of Front and Burnside. I heard the testimonies on a second definite work of grace and marveled. I had never heard sanctification preached, but something in my heart said, "Lord, surely that is what I have hungered for." He sanctified me one morning in my own home. And one night at the ordinance service He poured out the mighty Baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire upon me. It was wonderful to feel the mighty power of God surging through and through my soul.

My husband fought against the truth. But one Sunday morning he came to the Mission to hear and see for himself. He had been a church member for eighteen years, a deacon and Sunday School teacher and president of the Christian Endeavor. But one sermon at Front and Burnside showed him that he was a sinner and needed salvation. Jesus saved him and sanctified him and baptized him with the Holy Ghost and fire. He is now telling the wonderful story to others how God saved him and delivered him from the tobacco habit and from an awful temper that ruled him, and made our home miserable. But Jesus has brought Heaven into our home for the past two years.

He healed my little girl when she was given up to die by the doctors. When a baby of but three months old she was vaccinated and her blood poisoned. We spent a fortune to try to get healing for my little one. A specialist in Portland was treating her with serum every week to kill the germs in her blood. But after treating her for nearly a year, I met a sister from this Mission who told me that Jesus could heal the sick as He did when He walked the shores of Galilee. He healed my little one and made her every whit whole. And for the past two and a half years she has never known a sick day.--Portland, Ore.

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**God healed me** of blood poison and lockjaw. I went to a dentist and had a tooth drawn, and after it was taken out it proved to be an abscessed case and lockjaw and blood poison set in. I suffered agony indeed, was terribly swollen and the inside of my mouth rose in swelling up above my lower teeth, and my tongue was almost drawn out by the roots and forced into the upper part of my mouth, and my jaws began to set and lock. Sharp pains like a plunging knife went in and out of my heart. People were anxious, fearing I would die. But I never let go of God. I telegraphed the mission in Portland to pray, and on Monday night at the hour of prayer at the Portland Mission, the prayers of God's chosen people ascended to their Creator and He heard and did answer in Jesus' name and the mighty power of God burst the power of death that was fast accomplishing its work. I knew that Jesus the Great Physician had visited me on His errand of mercy and healed me and I was well.--Apostolic Faith Mission, 132 Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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We have seen people come into this Mission looking like a bundle of rags, a wreck, hair matted and dirty till you could not tell what color they were. And we have seen God come down and transform them in a moment of time and have seen them rise and rejoice. It is the transforming power of God that takes the vilest and makes them clean and gives them victory over sin.

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There is never a collection box passed around in this Mission. The first motto you read when you come up into the hall is, "No collections." The public does not pay the rent or help keep up the Mission. God's people take care of this Gospel and they do it well.

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Multitudes of people in these Missions never have a bottle of medicine in the house or any remedies or ever call a physician. Thousands through this Gospel can testify that they have been healed by faith in the Son of God of acute and chronic troubles and incurable diseases. There is a great cloud of witnesses that the power of God is just the same today.