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

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## Bible Pentecost

### **Gracious Pentecostal Showers Continue to Fall.**

The news has spread far and wide that Los Angeles is being visited with a "rushing mighty wind from heaven." The how and why of it is to be found in the very opposite of those conditions that are usually thought necessary for a big revival. No instruments of music are used, none are needed. No choir—but bands of angels have been heard by some in the spirit and there is a heavenly singing that is inspired by the Holy Ghost. No collections are taken. No bills have been posted to advertise the meetings. No church or organization is back of it. All who are in touch with God realize as soon as they enter the meetings that the Holy Ghost is the leader. One brother stated that even before his train entered the city, he felt the power of the revival.

Travelers from afar wend their way to the headquarters at Azusa Street. As they enquire their way to the Apostolic Faith Mission, perhaps they are asked, "O, you mean the Holy Rollers," or "It is the Colored Church you mean?" In the vicinity of a tombstone shop, stables and lumber yard (a fortunate vicinity because no one complains of all-night meetings) you find a two-story, white-washed old building. You would hardly expect heavenly visitations there, unless you remember the stable at Bethlehem.

But here you find a mighty Pentecostal revival going on from ten o'clock in the morning till about twelve at night. Yes, Pentecost has come to hundreds of hearts and many homes are made into a sweet paradise below. We remember years ago, when a bright, young missionary was dying in Bombay, India, in his last hours, unconscious with the fever, he kept crying, "Pentecost is coming! Pentecost is coming!" It seemed prophetic. Pentecost has come and is coming in India, and thank God in many other places.

A leading Methodist layman of Los Angeles says, "Scenes transpiring here are what Los Angeles churches have been praying for years. I have been a Methodist for twenty-five years. I was a leader of the praying band of the First Methodist Church. We prayed that the Pentecost might come to the city of Los Angeles. We wanted it to start in the First Methodist Church, but God did not start it there. I bless God that it did not start in any church in this city, but in a barn, so that we might all come and take part in it. If it had started in a fine church, poor colored people and Spanish people would not have got it, but praise God it started here. God Almighty says He will pour out of His Spirit upon all flesh. This is just what is happening here. I want to warn every Methodist in Los Angeles to keep your hands off this work. Tell the people wherever you go that Pentecost has come to Los Angeles."

As soon as it is announced that the altar is open for seekers for pardon, sanctification, the baptism with the Holy Ghost and healing of the body, the people rise and flock to the altar. There is no urging. What kind of preaching is it that brings them? Why, the simple declaring of the Word of God. There is such power in the preaching of the Word in the Spirit that people are shaken on the benches. Coming to the altar, many fall prostrate under the power of God, and

often come out speaking in tongues. Sometimes the power falls on people and they are wrought upon by the Spirit during testimony or preaching and receive Bible experiences.

The testimony meetings which precede the preaching often continue for two hours or more and people are standing waiting to testify all the time. Those who have received the baptism with the Holy Ghost testify that they had a clear evidence of sanctification first. Hundreds testify that they received the Bible evidence of speaking in a new tongue that they never knew before. Some have received the "gift of tongues" or "divers tongues" and the interpretation.

The demonstrations are not the shouting, clapping or jumping so often seen in camp meetings. There is a shaking such as the early Quakers had and which the old Methodists called the "jerks." It is while under the power of the Spirit you see the hands raised and hear speaking in tongues. While one sings a song learned from heaven with a shining face, the tears will be trickling down other faces. Many receive the Spirit through the laying on of hands, as they did through Paul at Ephesus.

Little children from eight years to twelve stand up on the altar bench and testify to the baptism with the Holy Ghost and speak in tongues. In the children's meetings little tots get down and seek the Lord.

It is noticeable how free all nationalities feel. If a Mexican or German cannot speak English, he gets up and speaks in his own tongue and feels quite at home for the Spirit interprets through the face and people say amen. No instrument that God can use is rejected on account of color or dress or lack of education. This is why God has so built up the work.

In the testimony meetings, they report from cottage prayer meetings where perhaps a number were baptized with the Holy Ghost or saved or sanctified and those who have been seeking at home report what God has done for them.

The singing is characterized by freedom. "The Comforter has come" is sung every day, also "Heavenly Sunlight" and "Under the Blood." Often one will rise and sing a familiar song in a new tongue.

Seekers for healing are usually taken upstairs and prayed for in the prayer room and many have been healed there. There is a larger room upstairs that is used for Bible study. A brother fittingly describes it in this way, "Upstairs is a long room, furnished with chairs and three California redwood planks, laid end to end on backless chairs. This is the Pentecostal upper room where sanctified souls seek Pentecostal fullness and go out speaking in new tongues."

The sweetest thing of all is the loving harmony. Every church where this has gone is like a part of the family. This description is given for the benefit of the many friends who write in and who would like to be present. So many letters are received in the Apostolic Faith office, which is in the same building as the mission. We cannot but weep as we read these letters and pray for those who are seeking.

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The Lord is saving drunkards and taking the appetite for liquor and tobacco completely away.

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Reports come from Denver that forty souls have received the Pentecost and are speaking in tongues.

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A young man saved from the morphine habit has no more desire for the stuff and gave up his instruments.

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Four workers from Texas, Bro. and Sister Oyler and Bro. and Sister Quinton have arrived in Los Angeles lately. God has been using them in Whittier.

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Bro. Tom Qualls from Fresno said, "I came 300 miles to this meeting and I feel heaven in my soul. It seems to me I am getting some of the crumbs that fall from Father's table. I feel the presence of God here."

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"Cartoons in the newspapers were my first introduction to this meeting," said a brother, "and I said, this is what I have been praying for for years. I was warned by leaders that it was of the devil, but I came and got a touch of heaven in my soul."

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Before the fire broke out in Los Angeles a brother had a vision of fires springing up and then gathering together and advancing in a solid wall of flame. A preacher was trying to put it out with a wet gunny sack, but it was evident there was no use fighting it. Our God is marching on. Hallelujah. The man with the wet gunny sack is here also, but his efforts only call attention to the fire.

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The blind man who was saved and had his sight restored was saved because of hearing a few praying in tongues in a cottage meeting. He was a sinner; a very profane man, and was convicted because of tongues. Praise God for His marvelous works to the children of men.

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Sister Lemon of Whittier, who had been a sufferer for eighteen years and could receive no help from physicians, and had been bed-ridden for fourteen years of that time, has been marvelously healed by the Lord through the laying on of hands and the prayer of faith. She has been walking to meetings. The opposers of the work cannot deny that a notable miracle has been performed through the mighty name of Jesus.

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Mother Griffith, who has been matron of a rescue home, has received her Pentecost. She testified, "It seemed to me when I got saved, I got into the ocean; and when I got sanctified, it seemed the ocean got into me; and when I was baptized with the Holy Ghost, it seemed I got the life preserver on and began floating on the ocean of salvation. Jesus lives in me, and I live and have my being in Him. Thank God for salvation, sanctification, the baptism with the Holy Ghost and the witness."

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Sister Bridget Welch has been powerfully baptized with the Holy Ghost and is working for the Lord both in laboring for souls and in service with her hands ministering to others. She testifies, "I was a dope fiend and in and out of prisons for twenty years. God Almighty has surely healed my body and given me divine strength. He healed me of cancer of the nose and did not leave a scar. I have no time for a drug store any more. The Lord took me out of an awful pit and set my feet on the solid rock and established my goings and put a new song in my mouth. He sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and gave me the gift of tongues."

A sister who was very hungry for the Pentecost prayed for the Lord to strip her of everything, but give more of Himself. Then shortly afterwards when her house was in flames, she went out and knelt down in the weeds and prayed, "Lord, you said all things work together for good to them that love you. Give me more of God." And He answered prayer and gave her a mighty baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire and she is shining for God.

### **PENTECOST IN DENVER.**

1934 E. 18th Ave., Denver, Colo.

What I received on that memorable Sunday night in Los Angeles has never left me for one moment and last night in particular at the meeting, did the Holy Ghost magnify the simple Gospel of our Lord in demonstration and power, until about twenty-five crowded the altar and got definite experiences of justification, sanctification, baptism with the Holy Ghost, and healing. One dear old man, who because of his back, could not straighten up nor stoop down without severe pain, was instantly healed, got up and showed the people how the dear Lord had healed him. He stood as straight as a young man, stooped down, and touched the floor with his hands without a bit of pain. Then he knelt down and said, "I want the baptism with the Holy Ghost," and Glory to God, he got it, and there was great joy.

Dear Bro. Seymour, God surely sent me here. These dear, hungry people, when they learned I came from the meeting at Los Angeles, received me with open arms. They gave me the evening, and during the meeting, they embraced me and our joy in the Lord knew no bounds. One dear brother from Los Angeles picked me up and held me as if I were a child. This is but the beginning of a work here such as we knew in Los Angeles. This people have been praying that God would send someone to teach them and give them light and wisdom, and they believe God has answered their prayers, hence their great joy. I feel the need of your prayers. I never saw in all my travels a people so hungry for the truth.

Dear Bro. G.F. Fink, the brother in charge, was coming to Los Angeles to Azusa Street to learn and get a better understanding of the baptism with the Holy Ghost. While I was talking to the people last night, he arose and embraced me crying, I love you, I love you, my brother. Surely God has sent you to us; and the people wept for joy, and shouted praises unto God. These people here were set on fire by the Holy Ghost through Bro. Johnson and the two sisters who passed through here, and it is marvelous how the Holy Ghost has led them. You little know how the people have been praying for you and the meetings in Los Angeles in the midst of their own struggles. Give my love in Jesus to all the saints.

-T. Hezmalhalch.

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### **VICTORY IN OAKLAND.**

Bro. Harmon Clifford, the young man who was saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost all in an hour and a half at Azusa Street Mission, and who was also healed of consumption, has been increasing in power, and God has bestowed on him many gifts. He writes from Oakland where the Lord sent him:

"How I praise God for ever sending me to Oakland with Bro. Rosa. I was never so happy in all my life as I have been this last week. It did seem as though I would go up at any moment, but of course God has a work for me to do yet. Praise His dear name. There was some trouble about the Bible evidence to the baptism with the Holy Ghost, but as soon as that was straight, God began to work and has been working ever since. O glory to God! Many have been saved, sanctified, and healed. Six have received Pentecost and spoke in a good, clear language up to Thursday night. People were laid out all over the mission. The people have been very quiet and let the Holy Ghost have right of way, and sometimes before the preaching is over people come to the altar. There are many hungry souls in this city."

336 Ninth St., Oakland, Cal.

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### **VISION AND MESSAGE.**

A sister who has been healed and baptized with the Holy Ghost related the following vision, "Two days ago the power of God came over me and He said. 'Whatsoever ye ask in my name believing, ye shall receive.' I said 'Give wisdom to speak to the people.' Immediately I was in a great hall with tables spread all about, and the Lord was the waiter, and I saw His beautiful, smiling face. He spoke to me and said, 'I have called my friends and they did not come, therefore go out and ask everyone you find to come to the wedding.' As I looked around to see something beautiful, the scene changed and I was in a hospital and saw poor creatures dying, looking like skeletons. I thought my call was to the hospital and telephoned to know when it was open for visitors, but the Lord revealed to me that it meant all those who are sick in their souls."

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### **A CORRECTION.**

In our last issue, there was a prophecy by Sister Mary Golmond of an earthquake coming to Los Angeles. She stated that the Lord had not showed the time, but that it would NOT come on Sunday. The word "not" was accidentally omitted.

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### **HIS BANQUETING HOUSE.**

"He took me into his banqueting house, and his banner over me was love." A brother says the Lord gave him a vision of the banqueting house. He passed under the great arches. Each one had a name upon it. The first was love, then there was joy, peace, and among others he saw, "Independence." He asked what that meant. The answer was, "Is it not wonderful to be free?" Dear saints, this is one of the sweetest arches in the banqueting house. This bondage to love sets me perfectly free.

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### **UNUSUAL NOISE.**

There has been some unusual noise in the town of Whittier, the prayers of those who are burdened for the lost, the sound of praises to God and speaking in new tongues. A few days ago, four workers were arrested while praying in the cottage that had been offered free or rent for the use of the workers. The following letter was received at Azusa street.

"Brother Seymour in Jesus: We are charged with using boisterous language, unusual noise, or in other words praising God and speaking in tongues. This happened in the cottage this morning. The defendants are Sister May Mayo, Sister Jacobson, Bro. and Sister McLain. Trial comes off at 4 p.m. We are standing steadfast, seeing the glory of God. We believe the judge is under conviction. Sunday night nine souls were at the altar. Souls getting saved and sanctified. Power is falling in the audience. People being slain."

When the word came to Azusa street, fifteen workers rallied to take the place of the four and meetings have been going on there with victory and power ever since.

The band that was arrested is rejoicing in the Lord that they were permitted to go through the trial. The judge gave them the choice of leaving town or going to jail. They consulted the Lord about it and He said: "When they persecute you in one city, flee ye to another." So the sisters obeyed but Bro. McLain preferred to stand a few days in jail and working on the chain gang. When the judge gave sentence, Sister Mayo raised her hands to heaven and prayed for him and for Whittier.

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### **PENTECOST IN INDIA.**

News comes from India that the baptism with the Holy Ghost and gift of tongues is being received there by natives who are simply taught of God. The India Alliance says, "Some of the gifts which have been scarcely heard of in the church for many centuries, are now being given by the Holy Ghost to simple, unlearned members of the body of Christ, and communities are being stirred and transformed by the wonderful grace of God. Healing, the gift of tongues, visions, and dreams, discernment of spirits, the power to prophecy and to pray the prayer of faith, all have a place in the present revival." Hallelujah! God is sending the Pentecost to India. He is no respecter of persons.

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### **VERNON MISSION.**

Bro. and Sister F. E. Hill are now conducting a mission in Vernon district between Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets, 4307 Central avenue. Since they received their Pentecost, they have been holding cottage meetings at their home with seekers every night. Then they told the people God had showed them to start a meeting in that section and in about five minutes the rent was paid for the hall in advance. Bro. Hill has dropped his business and is giving all his time to Gospel work. The Nazarene Church forbade speaking in tongues or testifying on the line of the baptism with the Holy Ghost upon the sanctified life, so they with others have walked out with the Bible and the Spirit, and God is giving them souls. There is room for Spirit filled workers everywhere.

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### **SPREADING THE FULL GOSPEL.**

A number of Spirit filled workers have been going out of late. Bro. Adolph Rosa and Bro. Harmon Clifford went to Oakland and God has been using them there. Then a band of seven left on the steamer for the north, for Oakland, Salem and Seattle. They were, Sister Florence Crawford, Bro. and Sister G.W. Evans, Bro. and Sister Thomas Junk, Sister Ophelia Wiley and Sister Lulu Miller, Bro. Post went to Santa Barbara, Bro. T. Hezmalhalch to Denver, Sister Potter and Violet Price to Fresno, Bro. F.W. Williams to Alabama a Spanish brother, Brigido Perez, to San Diego. Sister Elsie Robinson to Onawa, Michigan. Bro. Seymour has been called for a short time to Oakland, but expects soon to return to headquarters at Los Angeles. We wish to keep track of the workers in the field and be united together in prayer for each other and the work in the different fields.

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### **BAPTIZED ON A FRUIT WAGON.**

Bro. G. Zigler, who runs a fruit wagon, driving into Los Angeles early in the morning, says, "I was on my wagon coming down to the market praising God, when the Lord covered me with His power and I began to sing such a sweet song I had never sung anything like before. I was riding along at three o'clock in the morning. All at once I commenced to talk in a new tongue, and it was the most wonderful blessing, I have ever received. What He has done for me, He will do for everybody."

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The meetings have been going on now for about six months at Azusa Street day and night. How long are they going to continue? We expect them to keep on till Jesus comes, by the grace of God.

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The religion of Jesus Christ is no more popular now than it was when Jesus was here. Many are rejecting the truth and are not going to receive it. The word not only says that signs shall follow them that believe, but that "They that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." This also is being fulfilled.

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Teaching on Repentance—Mark 1:14, 15.

Godly Sorrow for Sins, Example—Matt. 9:13; 2 Cor. 7: 9, 11; Acts 3:19; Acts 17:20, 31.

Confession of Sins—Luke 15:21 and Luke 18:13.

Forsaking Sinful Ways—Isa. 55:7; Jonah 3:8; Prov. 28:13.

Restitution—Ezek. 33:15; Luke 19:8.

Faith in Jesus Christ.

The blood of Jesus will never blot out any sin between man and man they can make right; but if we can't make wrongs right the Blood graciously covers. (Matt. 5:23, 24.)

First Work—Justification is that act of God's free grace by which we receive remission of sins. Acts 10:42,43; Rom. 3:25.

Second Work—Sanctification is the second work of grace and the last work of grace. Sanctification is that act of God's free grace by which He makes us holy. John 17:15, 17-18; "Sanctify them through Thy truth; Thy word is truth." 1 Thess. 4:3; 1 Thess. 5:23; Heb. 13:12; Heb. 2:11; Heb. 12:14.

Sanctification is cleansing to make holy. The Disciples were sanctified before the Day of Pentecost. By a careful study of Scripture you will find it is so now. "Ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you" (John 15:3; 13:10); and Jesus breathed on them the Holy Ghost (John 20:21, 22). You know that they could not have received the Spirit if they were not clean. Jesus cleaned and got all doubt out of His Church before He went back to glory.

Too many have confused the grace of Sanctification with the endowment of Power, or the Baptism of the Holy Ghost; others have taken "the anointing that abideth" for the Baptism, and failed to reach the glory and power of a true Pentecost.

The Baptism with the Holy Ghost is a gift of power upon the sanctified life; so when we get it we have the same evidence as the Disciples received on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:3, 4), in speaking in new tongues. See also Acts 10:45, 46; Acts 19:6; 1 Cor. 14:21. "For I will work a work in your days which ye will not believe though it be told you."—Hab. 1:5.

Healing—We must believe that God is able to heal.—Ex. 15:26: "I am the Lord that healeth the." James 5:14; Psa. 103:3; 2 Kings 20:5; Matt. 8:16, 17; Mark 16:16, 17, 18; Behold I am the Lord, the God of all flesh; is there any thing too hard for Me?"—Jer. 32:27.

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God loves the pure in heart, the surrendered will, the empty vessel. Believe Him and receive Him. He will have His way if you will let Him.

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Sister Florence Crawford says she had a vision of a beautiful bouquet of flowers all in the bud, and the Lord said to her, "This movement is just in the bud."

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Sister J. W. Hutchins writes from Chattanooga, Tenn., that they are stopping there in a meeting. People are hungry for the truth. They are on their way to Africa.

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Interpretation of a message in tongues: "Oh Jesus is such a wonderful God. He will reveal Himself to us in many wonderful ways. Jesus is surely with us. O praise Him."

The brother who was healed of asthma from which he had been suffering twenty years has received the Pentecost. He is rejoicing in the perfect healing of soul and body.

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Sister Jennie Jacobson, a Swedish sister who had been only two months in this country, was given the gift of the English language with the understanding of the words. She also received another tongue.

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You who are baptized with the Holy Ghost must die daily that Christ may abide in you. If we begin to get puffed up, God will set us aside, but if we give Him all the glory, He will use us to scatter this light.

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Blessed are the pure in heart. We do not get this purity till we are willing to let Him have His way to the fullest extent of the word. We are clay in the Potter's hands. We must have the self will removed in order to receive Him. As long as we have something to say, "I don't like this or that," we cannot receive the Holy Ghost.

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We find some who are superstitious about seeking the Holy Ghost. They are afraid they are going to get the power of the devil instead of God, but men and women that are walking in the light can quickly see that this is of God. It is easy for the Lord to show them that, This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel. We are living in the last days when He is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh.

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### **RIVER OF LIVING WATER.**

In the 4th chapter of John, the words come, "Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God and who it is that saith to thee Give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked of Him and He would have given the living water." Praise God for the living waters today that flow freely, for it comes from God to every hungry and thirsty heart. Jesus said, "He that believeth on me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his inmost being shall flow rivers of living waters." Then we are able to go in the mighty name of Jesus to the ends of the earth and water dry places, deserts and solitary places, until these parched, sad, lonely hearts are made to rejoice in the God of their salvation. We want the rivers today. Hallelujah! Glory to God in the highest!

In Jesus Christ we get forgiveness of sin, and we get sanctification of our spirit, soul, and body, and upon that we get the gift of the Holy Ghost that Jesus promised to His disciples, the promise of the Father. All this we get through the atonement. Hallelujah!

The prophet said that he had borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him and with His stripes we are healed. So we get healing, health, salvation, joy, life—everything in Jesus. Glory to God!

There are many wells today, but they are dry. There are many hungry souls today that are empty. But let us come to Jesus and take Him at His word and we will find wells of salvation, and be able to draw waters out of the well of salvation, for Jesus is that well.

At this time Jesus was weary from a long journey, and He sat on the well in Samaria, and a woman came to draw water. He asked her for a drink. She answered, "How is it that thou being a Jew askest drink of me who am a woman of Samaria, for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans?" Jesus said, "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, give me to drink, thou wouldst have asked of him and he would have given thee living water."

O, how sweet it was to see Jesus, the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world, that great sacrifice that God had given to a lost, dying, and benighted world, sitting on the well and talking with the woman; so gentle, so meek, and so kind that it gave her an appetite to talk further with Him, until He got into her secret and uncovered her life. Then she was pricked in heart, confessed her sins and received pardon, cleansing from fornication and adultery, was washed from stain and guilt of sin and was made a child of God, and above all, received the well of salvation in her heart. It was so sweet and joyful and good. Her heart was so filled with love that she felt she could take in a whole lost world. So she ran away with a well of salvation and left the old water pot on the well. How true it is in this day, when we get the baptism with the Holy Spirit, we have something to tell, and it is that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin. The baptism with the Holy Ghost gives us power to testify to a risen, resurrected Savior. Our affections are in Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. How I worship Him today! How I praise Him for the all-cleansing blood!

Jesus' promises are true and sure. The woman said to Him, after He had uncovered her secret, "Sir, I perceive that Thou art a prophet." Yes, He was a prophet. He was that great prophet that Moses said the Lord would raise up. He is here today. Will we be taught of that prophet? Will we hear Him? Let us accept Him in all His fullness.

He said, "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also, and greater works than these shall ye do, because I go unto my Father." These disciples to whom He was speaking, had been saved, sanctified, anointed with the Holy Spirit, their hearts had been opened to understand the Scriptures, and yet Jesus said, "Tarry ye, in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." "John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence." So the same commission comes to us. We find that they obeyed His commission and were all filled with the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost, and Peter standing up, said, "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel." Dear loved ones, we preach the same sermon. "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel, and it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. \* \* \* The promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all

that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." That means until now and to last until Jesus comes.

There are so many people today like the woman. They are controlled by the fathers. Our salvation is not in some father or human instrument. It is sad to see people so blinded, worshipping the creature more than the Creator. Listen to what the woman said, "Our Fathers worshipped in this mountain, and ye say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." So many people today are worshipping in the mountains, big churches, stone and frame buildings. But Jesus teaches that salvation is not in these stone structures—not in the mountains—not in the hills, but in God. For God is a Spirit. Jesus said unto her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour cometh and now is, when ye shall neither in this mountain nor yet at Jerusalem worship the Father." So many people today are controlled by men. Their salvation reaches out no further than the boundary line of human creeds, but praise God for freedom in the Spirit. There are depths and heights and breadths that we can reach through the power of the blessed Spirit. "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the things that God hath prepared for them that love him.

The Jews were the religious leaders at this time, and people had no more light upon salvation than the Jews gave them. The Jews were God's chosen people to evangelize the world. He had entrusted them to give all nations the true knowledge of God, but they went into traditions and doctrines of men, and were blinded and in the dark. Jesus came as the light of the world, and He is that light. "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." Let us honor the Spirit, for Jesus has sent Him to teach and lead us into all truth.

Above all, let us honor the blood of Jesus Christ every moment of our lives, and we will be sweet in our souls. We will be able to talk of this common salvation to everyone that we meet. God will let His anointing rest upon us in telling them of this precious truth. This truth belongs to God. We have no right to tax anyone for the truth, because God has entrusted us with it to tell it. Freely we receive, freely we give. So the Gospel is to be preached freely, and God will bless it and spread it Himself, and we have experienced that He does, We have found Him true to His promise all the way. We have tried Him and proved Him. His promises are sure.

---W. J. Seymour.

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### **WHISPERINGS OF THE COMFORTER.**

The Lord had been giving me this passage, burning it into my soul for months, "The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away." Cant. 2:13. I would always get so blest when the Lord would give it to me. Finally I said, Lord, what does it mean? And immediately the thoughts came into my mind, "Why the fig tree in the Bible represents the Jews and the vines represent the ones who are the branches of the vine, Jesus. The Jews are beginning to gather at Jerusalem and beginning to show life. And the tender grapes on the vines giving a good smell means that the bride is making herself ready, showing that His coming is near. The vines are laden with fruit and begin to give a sweet smell, ripening for His coming."

At another time, this kept coming to me, "Fear not, for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name, thou art mine." Isa. 43:1. It would come with such sweetness and power that finally I said, Lord, what is my name? He said, "Hepz-ibah, my delight" Isa. 62:4.

Again the Lord gave me this verse, "Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple. The King is held in the chambers." I asked the Lord what that meant.

Immediately it was given me, "Thy head like Carmel, that is red under the Blood; and the hair of thine head as purple, means that you belong to the royal family. The King is held in the galleries, that is in the little cells of the brain of my head as well as of my heart."

One evening I went to the restaurant for supper, and I sat there and had commenced my meal, when someone touched me on my shoulder. I looked around, but did not see anyone, so I turned around and commenced eating again. Then something said, "You have not given thanks for your food or asked Him to bless it."

---Mrs. Mary P. Perkins.

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### **CAME FROM ALASKA.**

Bro. H. M. Turney, an evangelist who was in Alaska when he heard of the outpouring of God's Spirit in California, struck out immediately for Los Angeles, and he has received the baptism with the Holy Ghost and gift of tongues. About five minutes before he received the Holy Ghost, while kneeling at the altar, he whispered to Bro. Oyler that the devil was tempting him that the speaking in tongues was not for him. Bro. Oyler replied, "The devil is a liar from the beginning." And immediately the Holy Ghost fell on our brother and he spoke with tongues. Since then he says the Lord waked him up at night speaking and singing in tongues, as He has so many others.

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A brother from Redlands, seventy-nine years old, came for Divine healing. He was deaf and used ear trumpets. The Lord opened his ears immediately. Then as he arose to go, a brother asked him, "Where are your glasses?" He looked around and said with astonishment, "Why, I can see as well as I ever did." He had had poor eyesight. The Lord also healed him of rheumatism at the same time. "With his stripes we are healed."

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Father L. C. Ebey, of Hermon, California, has given up his medicine which he had taken for thirty years and took God for healing, the Lord has touched his body. He is in his eightieth year and is earnestly seeking his Pentecost. His testimony is, "I am a believer, I am glad I am alive in Him. I am not afraid of fanaticism. I have been through some things, I believe and look for the true restoration of the apostolic faith, so that the servants of God can go out and lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. This movement is in its infancy. If you keep your hearts pure and open. God will give you the old apostolic power. It depends on whether we keep clear of the entanglements about us."

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### **RECEIVING THE HOLY GHOST.**

God has told His children to be witnesses, and the most convincing evidence is testimony of personal knowledge. To endeavor to help those who are sending in letters of inquiry to the Apostolic Faith office, asking how they may receive the Holy Ghost, the writer will state a little of his personal experience in obtaining this pearl of great price, the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

I dropped into the meetings on Azusa Street some time in April, having heard that some people were speaking in tongues, as they did on the day of Pentecost. Although I had been trying to preach Pentecost for five years, the speaking in tongues was as strange to me as though it had never been mentioned in God's word. At first the meeting seemed a very tame affair to me, as I had been along the line of much fleshly demonstration and noise. As I was indoctrinated in the second blessing being the baptism with the Holy Ghost, I branded the teaching as heretical, not going to the meetings for some time.

In the meantime, Pentecost came to the place, and many began to speak in tongues. I now began to attend regularly. In fact, I could not stay away. My heart began to break up, and soon I was going from one person to another, asking them to forgive me for harsh words and criticism. God so melted my heart that I would cry at my work or riding on a streetcar. How the dear Lord began to teach me that what I needed was His loving, tender Spirit, and that power with God meant deep humility in our dealings with our fellow creatures.

I now began to go to the altar and earnestly seek for the Lord to have His way with me. Soon the power of God began to work with me. The Holy Ghost showed me that I must be clay in the Potter's hands, an empty vessel before the Lord. I laid aside all doctrine, all pre-conceived ideas and teachings and became absolutely empty. The Holy Ghost now settled down on me, and I could feel the power going through me like electric needles. The Spirit taught me that I must not resist the power but give way and become limp as a piece of cloth. When I did this, I fell under the power, and God began to mold me and teach me what it meant to be really surrendered to Him. I was laid out under the power five times before Pentecost really came. Each time I would come out from under the power, I would feel so sweet and clean, as though I had been run through a washing machine.

I now had come to the place where I was completely submitted to the whole will of God. I had been seeking about five weeks, and on a Saturday morning I awoke and stretched my arms toward heaven and asked God to fill me with the Holy Ghost. My arms began to tremble, and soon I was shaken violently by a great power, and it seemed as though a large pipe was fitted over my neck, my head apparently being off. I was now filled with the Holy Ghost. Words cannot describe the power I felt. The nearest description that could be given would be the action of a pump under terrific pressure, filling me with oil. I could feel the filling in my toes and all parts of my body which seemed to me to swell until I thought I would burst. I do not know how long this continued but it seemed to me a long time. The pressure was now removed and my soul and spirit seemed to leave the body and float in the air just above. My body seemed hard and metallic like iron. This was undoubtedly the baptism into the death of Christ.

It was now time for me to arise and go to work, so I got up without speaking in tongues. I believe I would have spoken in tongues then, if I had remained in the hands of the Lord long enough. About thirty hours afterwards, while sitting in the meeting on Azusa Street, I felt my throat and tongue begin to move, without any effort on my part. Soon I began to stutter and then out came a distinct language which I could hardly restrain. I talked and laughed with joy far into the night. Praise His name for such a wonderful experience of power and love and joy.

G.A. Cook.

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God is solving the missionary problem, sending out new-tongued missionaries on the apostolic faith line, without purse or scrip, and the Lord is going before them preparing the way.

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O how precious His words are. "Let not your hearts be troubled. Ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am there ye may be also." So Jesus is coming back again, and He wants us, His bride, to be watching and waiting with the garments of righteousness on, ready to enter into the marriage supper. Glory to our God. Hosanna to His omnipotent name, for He has risen in our hearts. O it is so sweet to live this Holy Ghost life.

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Many church members are paying their way to hell. They are paying preachers to preach against the baptism with the Holy Ghost. They are getting poisoned against the truth and it is damning their souls. People need the baptism with the Holy Ghost that they may know God. "It is not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord." If we do not get the Spirit in our hearts, how can we know about the deep things of God? We cannot be His witnesses to the uttermost parts of the earth till we speak in new tongues. He gives us power to lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover, and to speak with new tongues and cast out devils. Dear ones, we need the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

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### NEW-TONGUED MISSIONARIES FOR AFRICA.

Our dear Brother and Sister Mead, who have spent twenty years in missionary work in Africa have received their Pentecost in Los Angeles, and as the Lord leads and opens the way they will be on their way to the dark continent again with the divine fitness for missionary work.

#### Bro. Mead's Testimony of Pentecost.

We are asked by many dear ones about our Pentecost, etc. It is beautiful, simple and full of comfort. I went to the meetings when I first heard of the manifestations of the Spirit, speaking in tongues, healing of the body, etc. I was not surprised, for we had been praying and expecting something of this kind to arouse God's people to the reality of the Word of God, and the truth of God Emanuel. While seeking the closer walk with God in Africa, the Spirit seemed to fall on us, revealing Jesus so real to our souls; a burden seemed to be on my heart, in writing and in conversation, I could but say, Jesus is real.

The first night at the meetings, my heart went out for the baptism. I went forward to be prayed for, and hands were laid on me, and prayer was made, that I might receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. I continued praying and fasting, in hope and much comfort. One evening, in complete abnegation of self, it was revealed to me that the same power and persecutions that were in the beginning were now to be repeated for the perfecting of the Church. Would I choose it? My heart cried out, Oh yes Lord, with your smile. And my soul was flooded with Divine love; and I commenced to speak as I would sing a new song.

It was entirely different from the way Mrs. Mead received her baptism. I was as conscious as I am at this moment, but my heart was full of praises and thanksgiving. I seemed now to have a conception of the mighty efficacy of the blood of Christ, and His omnipresence in Spirit, as never before.

Many ask, "Do you think these tongues will be used in a foreign field?" As for myself I cannot say. My God is able, this I know. The Pentecost or baptism of Divine love, that would enable a missionary to say to the poor Africans, as the Spirit did through Peter and John, to the poor cripple at the gate of the Temple, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk," would mark a grand epoch in the history of foreign missions. I believe God is about to repeat many of the miracles and wonders wrought in the early history of the church.

---S. J. Mead.

#### Sister Mead's Baptism.

Two years before we left Africa, the Holy Spirit began to speak to us in an especial way. We felt the lack of the power and love in the service of our Master, and we commenced seeking that power from Him; we had no definite light on the baptism in our sanctified life of twenty years. And praise God, we did have a most wonderful experience when we were justified, and our sins forgiven. And then after we were sanctified, the joy of heaven filled our souls, and we had the wonderful "anointing which abideth." Yet we felt the lack of power in our lives, and this was what we were earnestly seeking, as we waited on God in our little mission home in Africa. It was at this time, that the Book of the Revelation was so wonderfully opened up to our souls, for which we shall never cease to praise God.

Just before our return to America, we believe it was the Spirit of God, who said to us very plainly: "Los Angles, California, is the end of your journey." This seemed strange to us, at the

time, as we had no friends in Los Angeles; but we see now it was the Holy Spirit of God, to bring us to Los Angeles to receive our Pentecost.

Our faith was indeed tested after reaching this city. After three days, I had pneumonia in both lungs, and for days I realized nothing of this world. But praise God He raised me up in answer to the prayer of faith, and I shall never cease to praise Him, that He spared me for this wonderful day of my Pentecost. While in our home in Los Angeles, at times the Spirit would be wonderfully poured out upon us in our morning worship, and then the enemy would thrust sore at us, knowing that His time was short.

About this time, we met a sister in Christ, who told us of the Azusa Street meetings, and that some were speaking in tongues, so we went at once to see if these things were true. We felt the power of God immediately as we entered the meeting. After two or three days, as the invitation was given for those who wished to seek for the baptism of the Holy Ghost, I went forward to the little humble altar. While on the way the enemy said to me, "You, a missionary in Africa twenty years, now going forward to the altar," I said, yes. I am going forward, for I want all that God has for me, and then and there I gained a real victory in my soul. Then Bro. Seymour, Sister Crawford and another Sister laid their hands upon me that I might receive the Holy Ghost. As they prayed, I felt the power go through my body, but did not receive then the full baptism.

We waited on God daily in our home for three weeks, searching the Scriptures, confessing our faults, and getting everything under the blood, even forgetting at times to take food. During this time, while attending the meetings one day, the tongues became a stone of stumbling to me, and a rock of offense, and I immediately went into darkness, which was so great that my dear husband cried to the Lord for me, and I was restored, willing to submit what I did not understand to God. Then the enemy tried to get me discouraged, telling me that this baptism was not for me. I went into my room feeling so discouraged, when the Spirit said to me as plainly as a voice, "How did you receive your justification? How did you receive your sanctification?" I said, Lord, by faith. He then said, "Receive me." I arose, and felt very happy, praising the Lord. This was on Friday evening and we went into our front room and said we would have a meeting to seek the Spirit just as they did at Bro. Seymour's. So we sang and testified, and then fell on our knees in prayer. As we repeated over and over again, We receive the Holy Ghost, in our simplicity, he came in, and we could not retire until late. Then we asked the Holy Spirit to continue His work in us while we slept.

On Saturday morning at the breakfast table I said, something seems to hinder my perfect freedom, and my husband said, "It may be in regard to your little neighbor; you know she did not receive the gospel, and left off coming in to see you, and so you have left off going in to see her. You have more light than she, and perhaps have done wrong." The faithful Holy Spirit convicted me, and I said, beginning to cry like a child, Oh, Lord, I see it and fell on my knees. Just as I did this crying "let it all be under the blood," the Holy Ghost fell upon me in great sweetness and power; and just then I had a wonderful revelation of the blood of Christ making me as clean and innocent as a child, and Jesus was real to me.

I was under the power from early morning till about five at night, prophesying in the Scriptures, and then began to speak in tongues, as the Spirit gave me utterance. I spoke most of the afternoon, having some very sweet revelations concerning the precious blood of Christ, which I trust will never be taken away from me, and may, through the Spirit, be used to glorify my Savior.

Since then I have been shown that what I speak is an African dialect, and concerning the blood of Christ.

And now I follow on to know the Lord more fully and may I be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth and length and depth and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge; and may have the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him.

If any sanctified soul is seeking Pentecost, the way is so simple. Believe and receive, and it is His will to fill your precious soul.

Ardell K. Mead.

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### **THE HOLY GHOST FROM HEAVEN.**

Bro. Burke from Anaheim, who received the Holy Ghost, says: "I told the Lord to search my heart and melt me down, and it seemed to me I grew smaller and smaller till I felt about the size of a grasshopper. I asked the Lord to put the Holy Ghost on me, and it came like the outpouring of water on the crown of my head and it went through my entire body to the very tips of my toes and fingers and my heart seemed to expand ten times larger. Then something rushed through me like I was under a faucet. It was the Holy Ghost, and the next thing I knew, something began to get hold of my jaw bones and tongue. I said, Lord whether I ever speak in tongues or not, I want the baptism with the Holy Ghost as they had it on the day of Pentecost. I went home and it seemed a music band of a thousand instruments was set up within me. The next morning it was singing in my soul, 'The power, the power, the Pentecostal power, is just the same today.' I was singing it in the yard and my wife was singing it in the kitchen. It has not stopped yet. Then it changed to 'The Comforter has come, the Holy Ghost from heaven,' I was so hungry for the Holy Ghost. They told awful stories about this work over there where I live, but I was hungry and thirsty and could not keep away. If you are hungry, come and let God fill you."

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### **PAPERS TO DISTRIBUTE.**

A brother writes, "I wish in your next number you would state what the papers cost per hundred copies postpaid, to issue and mail them. I want a bundle of each issue."

This is the Lord's paper and is published free, and we are glad for interested friends to distribute them to hungry souls. It costs in the neighborhood of \$1 to issue and mail a hundred copies. We have never even asked for a collection for the paper, but the Lord touches hearts to give. He showed us to publish a Pentecostal paper on Pentecostal lines. We honor Him to provide the means, and He is doing it. We keep no account books here, the Lord keeps the records. We do not publish the names of donors, but the Lord knows who they are. He says that those who give in secret He will reward openly.

Our first issue was 5,000. These were taken so eagerly and brought in so many replies from hungry souls, that we made our next issue 10,000. This issue was as eagerly sought as the first, so we have concluded that we will publish 20,000 this issue, the means being provided. The future issues will depend upon how the Lord supplies the means. We would consider it a great honor if God shall supply us with sufficient means to send out as many as 50,000 each issue. This Gospel must go, for the time is short before the appearing of our Lord and Saviour in the air with the angelic host. As workers cannot get to the fields fast enough, the Lord is using the paper.

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A sister in Pasadena who was living a holy life before God and was honestly desiring all God had for her, arose in a Pentecostal meeting and said, "I do not ask for tongues but I want to love

God with all my heart and soul and my neighbor as myself," and immediately she began to speak with tongues.

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### **IN MONEY MATTERS.**

There have been teachers who have told all the people to sell out, and many of them have gone into fanaticism. We let the Spirit lead people and tell them what they ought to give. When they get filled with the Spirit, their pocket books are converted and God makes them stewards and if He says, "Sell out," they will do so. But sometimes they have families. God does not tell you to forsake your family. He says if you do not provide for your own you are worse than an infidel. Some are not called to go out and teach. We find some who have no wisdom nor faith, and the devil takes them to disgrace the work. Under false teaching, children have been left to go half naked, women have left their husbands, and husbands leave their wives to wash and scrub, and the Bible says that is worse than infidelity. Then they will go and borrow and cannot pay back. That person ought to go to work. The Bible says, "Let him labor, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."

He sent those that were called out to preach the Gospel, to "take no thought what ye shall eat or drink." Get down and pray. Make your wants known unto God and He will send it in.

God does not expect all to sell out for He says in 1 Cor. 16:1, "Now concerning the collection for the saints, \* \* \* upon the first day of the week, let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." It does not mean for you to have great real estate and money banked up while your brothers and sisters are suffering. He means for you to turn loose because all that money is soon going to be thrown to the moles and bats. So it is better to spread the Gospel and get stars in your crown than to be holding it. But for us to go and tell you to do it, pick out somebody that has money and read the Word to them, would not be the Spirit of the Lord. The Spirit will tell you what to do. He makes you do it. When He wakes you up at night and tells you what to do you cannot sleep till you obey. He says everyone shall be taught of God from the least to the greatest. God wants a free giver.

Ananias wanted to have a reputation that he sold out like the rest, so he plotted that he should give a portion and say he had sold out for the Lord. But the Holy Ghost told Peter that Ananias had told a lie. Peter told him the property was his. The Lord allows you to be the steward over it. The property was his and the sin was in lying to the Holy Ghost. It is right for you to have property, but if the Lord says, take \$200 or \$500 or \$1,000 and distribute here or there, you do it.

We must know our calling. We can work when baptized with the Holy Ghost. Some think they have got to preach. Well, we do preach in testifying. Some think they must go out because they have the tongues but those are good for Los Angeles or anywhere else. The Lord will lead you by His small voice. – W.J. Seymour.

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### **THE LORD LED HER.**

Sister Malone went to Redlands as a worker from Los Angeles. In a meeting there, an old lady eighty-six years of age came in. She had not been taught of man about the Pentecost, but arose and testified that years ago she took her Bible alone and said, "Lord, lead me." And He gave her the Baptism with the Holy Ghost and the gift of tongues. Sister Malone asked, "Can you speak with tongues?" And immediately she began to speak with tongues as the Spirit gave utterance and to interpret. This is no new thing. It was begun on the day of Pentecost, but has been hidden for centuries except here and there as some humble soul has been taught of God and received His word without question.

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### **THE FAITH WAY.**

While Sister Crawford was praying for money to send workers to Oakland, the Lord gave her a vision of three bills she would receive and she received three five dollar bills. Then when praying about her fare to Salem, Oregon, she saw three gold pieces and sure enough she received the gold pieces. The Pentecostal way is to make your requests known to God and to God alone, and truly it is a safe way as we have tested and proved it. It is a way that honors God, it is the Bible way, it is the only safe way to go out, that is to walk with the Lord by the light of His word.

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### **EDITORS RECEIVE THE PENTECOST.**

Rev. T.G. Attebury, pastor of the People's Church, Sixth and Mateo streets, Los Angeles, and who has for years been the publisher of The Evangelist, has received his Pentecost. His wife and a number of his congregation have also received the Holy Ghost and the church is a center of fire. He says:

"Perhaps no religious movement in the history of this coast has proved of greater interest to the Christian world than that begun and carried on by the Azusa Street Mission of this city under the leadership of Rev. W.J. Seymour. The special manifestations of the Spirit in the meetings conducted there have deeply interested the Christian workers of all denominations, so that great crowds throng the building at every service to hear and see the things that are being done. The leaders of this movement teach that all the gifts of the Spirit, as enumerated by the Apostle Paul in the twelfth chapter of his first letter to the Corinthian church, are for the church today; that these gifts are in the Holy Spirit and that when He comes to dwell in His fullness in a human heart He brings all these gifts with Him. They contend that only lack of faith will hinder the Spirit from manifesting all of these gifts through every life that is wholly surrendered to the will of God.

"Another teaching peculiar to this movement is that the scriptural evidence that one has been baptized with the Holy Spirit is the gift of tongues, such as the church in Jerusalem received on the day of Pentecost. That large numbers in this mission, and also in other missions and churches of this city and vicinity, have received the gift of tongues cannot be doubted."

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### **Bro. Ryan Receives His Pentecost.**

Rev. M.L. Ryan, a holiness evangelist and editor of Light, Salem, Oregon, hearing the good news from Los Angeles, suddenly dropped in at the Azusa Street publishing office. After a few words of greeting, he went into the upper room meeting and in about two hours after he arrived, he was baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke and sang in the power of the Spirit. He has returned to Salem and a band of Spirit-filled workers have gone to Salem to help in a Pentecostal meeting there. Bro. Ryan says:

"Little did I think that God had such a rich experience for so unworthy a person as myself. When I arrived in Los Angeles I had my mind made up that I must seek for the Pentecostal Baptism at least one week before receiving it. To my unutterable surprise and joy the power fell upon me at once. The Holy Ghost prayed and spoke through me in tongues. One of the blessed privileges conferred upon me was a place in that heavenly choir, the songs of which defy all power of human to imitate. Hallelujah for His unspeakable gift."

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### **TESTIMONY OF HEALING.**

Thirteen years ago, I was brought into the light of Divine healing, through the Word of God. I had never heard any teaching from man. But I had been for a long time very greatly afflicted in body. I had taken physicians and medicine until I became discouraged and continued to grow worse till I decided to drop every remedy and take the Lord for my healer.

To this my people would not give consent. They thought I was losing my mind. One morning, through a nurse, I was chloroformed and taken out of my home to the hospital where they performed an operation. After the physicians had cut and slashed and found that the seat of the trouble was deeper than they anticipated, they lost courage and said it was impossible for me to recover. It was only a question of a few hours that I could possibly live. My husband was away in God's work at the time, and my people became alarmed, and realized what they had done, and decided to take me back to my home to die. But, praise God, He had another plan in store for me.

I did not regain consciousness for many hours, I opened my eyes in my own room and heard them praying around my bed. Then I realized my dreadful situation and in the most excruciating agony, I lifted my eyes to heaven and saw a light streaming down upon me. And in a moment, I heard the voice of Jesus telling me to trust Him, that He was my healer. I said, "Yes, Lord, I do trust Thee and will trust Thee, for Thou hast healed me and healed me now." Then there was a wonderful joy that came into my very being, and I felt the Spirit and the healing power of Christ permeating my whole being, praise God. In three days time I was up and around my room, and in less than a week I was able to walk a mile. Never from that time have I doubted the healing power of Jesus. Since then, for thirteen years, I have been in the Lord's work.

Now I wish to relate another instance of His healing power. While in Oakland, California, during last August, through an accident, God permitted the old trouble to come back, and from Saturday evening until Tuesday noon, I suffered intensely. At noon time, we always held our workers' class there, and it was during the saints' meeting, I had a wonderful spirit of prayer, and I tried to say, "Jesus is here," and found I had no utterance, but He was present in my soul. The spirit of prayer continued on me until 2:30. When the Lord permitted me to raise my eyes, I saw a vision of beautiful, rolling clouds, and Jesus suspended in the midst, and just then I realized that He was there for my healing. Sister Crawford and Sister Junk who were with me also saw Jesus, and God revealed to them He had come to heal me. I felt the healing work of Jesus. Many of you loved ones have seen the mason lift up his trowel of mortar and throw it upon the wall that he was building, and just so it seemed to me that the Great Physician was rebuilding the temple of my body. O Hallelujah! praise His name. O, I know that He is the only physician that can heal all our diseases. All that afternoon and evening, no matter which way I turned, the form of my Savior was suspended in front of me, and I wish ever to behold the smile of His countenance as I saw Him on that day. My healing was instantaneous, and today I rejoice in a perfect body.— Mrs. May Evans.

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### **UNDER THE BLOOD.**

We can only have life in our souls as we live under the blood. We live in the Word, then the blood flows. The blood is the life. If we stay in Jesus, we have life flowing in us. How watchful we must be to feed on the word and keep under the blood, or else we shall become sounding brass and tinkling cymbals. We may retain the gifts for a time but not the life.

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Bro. J.C. Mackey, of San Diego, California, says, "I heard of the meetings in Los Angeles and it set me on fire. The Spirit said to me, 'You go.' I said, 'I will.' I got my ticket and came and today I am saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and have the witness."

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### VISIONS OF HELL.

A sister who has been baptized with the Holy Ghost was at a church where the evangelist denounced the works of grace, the baptism with the Holy Ghost and gift of tongues. That evening she says the Lord showed her a vision of an open hell just back of the pulpit, with the awful, lurid flames coming up, and people sitting around the altar with their feet hanging over into the open hell, unconscious of their condition.

Bro. Thos. Junk, while in Oakland, had a vision of hell. He seemed to leave his body and was taken to the top of Knob Hill, in the midst of the ruins of San Francisco. The Savior commanded him, "Son of man, speak." As soon as he spoke, the ground at his feet parted and moved from him, disclosing a liquid fire, like molten iron, with demons and men and women in flames. He says there came to him an awful fume of burning sulfur and he heard the screams of the damned, which were heart-rending. All around the edges of the great opening, people were walking, unconscious of the open pit, and a continual stream of them were falling into the lake of fire. He beheld them splashing into the fire and heard the laugh of demons as each struck the fire.

While beholding all this, he saw a woman he had known for some time, a professor of holiness and one who took a prominent part in testimony and prayer, running toward the opening, looking too high to see it. She dashed right over into the flames, and a shout went up from the demons, with such roars of laughter as he had never heard before.

Bro. Junk had been an infidel, and since his conversion could not believe the scripture statements concerning hell, and had been teaching that the sufferings of the lost would be remorse and spiritual distress, but not fire. As he looked on this scene, Jesus Christ told him to preach a hell of fire, just as it is in the word of God, and he promised to do so.

The next Sabbath that professor of holiness was in the meeting as an opposer, insisting that she was filled with the Holy Ghost, but that this work was the work of seducing spirits and the doctrines of devils.

The above incidents are taken from the Household of God and many will remember Bro. Junk, who was with us in Los Angeles.

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### PENTECOSTAL EXPERIENCE.

Sister Lucy M. Leatherman writes from 231 Second Avenue, N.Y., of her work there witnessing to the Pentecost. We have not space for a full report, but her testimony will be of interest to all.

"While seeking for the Baptism with the Holy Ghost in Los Angeles, after Sister Ferrell laid hands on me, I praised and praised God and saw my Savior in the heavens. And as I praised, I came closer and closer, and I was so small. By and by I swept into the wound in His side, and He was not only in me but I in Him, and there I found that rest that passeth all understanding, and He said to me, you are in the bosom of the Father. He said I was clothed upon and in the secret place of the Most High. But I said, Father, I want the gift of the Holy Ghost, and the heavens opened and I was overshadowed, and such power came upon me and went through me. He said, Praise Me, and when I did, angels came and ministered unto me. I was passive in His hands, and by the eye of faith I saw angel hands working on my vocal cords, and I realized they were loosing me. I began to praise Him in an unknown language.

"In a few days, while on my way to church, I met a lady and two little children. She was talking to her children in a language that sounded like the words God had given me. I spoke a sentence to her, and she said, 'What you say means God has given Himself to you.' She is from Beirut, Syria, and speaks Arabic. Eight years ago, in A.B. Simpson's missionary school at Nyack, New York, I heard the Macedonian cry to go to Jerusalem, but it is to the Arabs. I am told there are more Arabs than Jews there, and God has been speaking to me and asks me if I would be willing to go with Him to the wild Arab of the desert. Anywhere with Jesus I will gladly go.

On land or sea, what matter where? Where Jesus is 'tis heaven there.

"Pray that God will send a revival to this city and pray for Arabia."

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### **SIGNS FOLLOW.**

The signs are following in Los Angeles. The eyes of the blind have been opened, the lame have been made to walk, and those who have accidentally drunk poison have been healed. One came suffering from poison and was healed instantly. Devils are cast out, and many speak in new tongues. All the signs in Mark 16:16-18 have followed except raising the dead, and we believe God will have someone to receive that power. We want all the signs that it may prove that God is true. It will result in the salvation of many souls.

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### **ANOTHER FREE PAPER.**

Rev. M.L. Ryan of Salem, Ore., who received his Pentecost in Los Angeles, has now put his paper, "Light", on the free subscription line and it is full of Pentecostal news and truth. Send for it if you want to keep in touch with the work being done in the north. Address, "Light," Salem, Ore. The subscription was 50 cents a year, and though it is free now, we would suggest that those who can will put in an offering for the work there, for he is depending on God alone and they need help in forwarding the work. Bro. Ryan is a true man of God and filled with the Holy Ghost.

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### **IN JAIL FOR JESUS' SAKE.**

When I first went down to Whittier from Los Angeles, as soon as I got on the car to go down, it seemed the power of God came on me, and all the time I was there and during the trial in the court room I felt the power of God. I could hardly sit on my chair in the court room. I knew it was all in the order of the Lord for me to be arrested and put in jail. The Lord wonderfully used me. I never had such power of God on me as when I was in that jail.

As soon as we would come in after supper, after working on the chain gang during the day shoveling dirt, I would get my Bible and call the men into the big room and the Lord gave me their tongue, the Mexican language. I did not have that tongue, until I went into the jail. As I would talk with them, the tears would run down their faces. There was not one of them but was weeping bitterly. Then when I went into my little cell, after I got done preaching, two or three of them would come in and talk with me a long while. Most of the men were Mexicans. Two or three could talk my language and they could interpret English for the others. I did not know what I was saying in tongues, except as they interpreted for me. When I was preaching to them in tongues, I read the 55th chapter of Isaiah to them in the Mexican language, with my Bible in my hand, but I did not know the chapter, nor that I had read it until they told me. I never had the Lord use me so much before as in jail. It seemed wave after wave of power would run over me. There was hardly a night I would sleep more than an hour or two. The Lord was giving me messages to give them. Bless His holy name.

The men in jail asked me where the mission was, and they were going to come down as soon as they got out. They were anxious for the day to come to get out of there and get to the mission.

I and my wife feel the call of God to go out into the work as the way opens. Our call is first to our old home near Onawa, Michigan. – Henry McLain.

Sister McLain says that when her husband was in jail the presence of the Lord was more precious than ever before in her life. "While I was asking Him to supply my needs, He appeared to me and seemed to enclose a dollar in my hand. All my wants were supplied. Now we are going forth to preach the Gospel. The word keeps coming to me, Go, Go. We have forsaken all for Jesus. We will take our three little children with us and when we get to Michigan, God has provided a home at our daughters for the children. We expect to preach the word till He comes."

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### **A BLESSED EXPERIENCE.**

Bro. and Sister S.K. Gibson from Kentucky, who have been in Gospel work for years, have received their Pentecost. Bro. Gibson testified, "Night before last, I received the fullness. I have been a Christian over sixty years. I re-consecrated, and God's blessing and word never were so sweet to me as now. Last week in prayer the Lord wonderfully blest me and came into my room while I was on my face on the floor, and He said, "I will baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and your vile body shall be changed like unto my glorious body, never more to die." It was a revelation in harmony with God's word. What a joy came into my heart at those words. I believe God will work in this old body that has so long been worn out and use it to His glory."

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### **BIBLE SALVATION.**

The object and end of all the precious Scripture is that a definite work may be wrought out in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. God's design through the ages and through all His work with the children of men, has been to implant His own nature—love, in a fallen race. Oh how sweet to feel the tender thrills of that love, going through every part of our being. This is real Bible salvation—not a mere theory or contention over different passages of scripture.

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### **SANCTIFICATION AND POWER.**

Have you accepted Jesus? Will you accept Him? Have you accepted Him as your sanctifier? In John 17:15-19, Jesus prayed, "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth. \* \* \* And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they might also be sanctified through the truth." Also in I Thess.4:3, "This is the will of God even your sanctification." Bless His dear name. He says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in unto him and sup with him and He with us. Praises to our God. Hosanna to His omnipotent name!

If we are sanctified and have clean hearts, living pure, holy lives and having perfect love in our souls, O, let us receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost, the promise of the Father, that we may be able to be His witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth. For Jesus gave this great commission in His resurrection power, after He rose from the dead. "Go, ye, into all the world and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

O, dear loved ones, we must preach and teach and practice all that Jesus has commissioned us. If we have not received all of the fullness of our blessed Christ, let us continue till we shall be filled with all the fullness of God. Let us press forward to the mark of the prize of the high calling in Christ Jesus. O dear loved ones, this means the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire upon our souls. It is heaven in our souls here. O, let us get down before God and humble ourselves until we can hear Him speak. He desires to speak with His people today as He did in the early morning of the church. The Holy Ghost wants to speak to the people. We praise God for the instruments He has raised up to bring to us light, but far above all, we admire the great Teacher of teachers that never makes a mistake, that loved us even to the throbs of death when He hung on Calvary from the sixth until the ninth hour and there was darkness over the face of the earth, proving to a lost and benighted world that He was the Son of God. Infidels were compelled to confess that this was the Son of God, for they heard His words on the cross, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." His great desire on the cross was for the salvation of souls.

Dear ones, have we got that burning passion for souls of the lost? When we are persecuted and tried for the word of God, can we say in our hearts, Lord, forgive them, for they know not what they do? This is what it means to have the faith that was once delivered unto the saints, faith such as Stephen had when he was being stoned to death. He could look up into heaven and see Jesus at the right hand of God. It seems that he could not feel the stoning he was so wrapped up in Jesus. There was a smile on his face like an angel when he fell asleep in Jesus.

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#### VISIONS OF JESUS.

While Brother G.W. Evans was with us in Oakland, exhorting the people to come to Christ, we observed he was speaking in verse with great earnestness, in which the great blessing of salvation and happiness and eternal life were held out to all who would come to Christ and obey Him. After speaking in this manner for probably five minutes he fell backward to the floor, and remained in an unconscious state for probably ten minutes; and then arose.

After meeting a woman in the congregation went to him and requested a copy of the poetry he had spoken, and found he was oblivious to the fact that he had repeated a number of verses.

Later I talked to him about this experience, and he stated that he had never committed any such verses to memory and knew nothing of having repeated them in the meeting.

He then told me that while he was speaking the whole rear end of the Hall became filled with faces of angelic beings from floor to ceiling and from wall to wall. A literal bank of beautiful faces, with Jesus in the center, and all faces turned towards Him.

He says he recognized Peter and James and John, also John Wesley.

During his gaze at this Heavenly host he spoke unconsciously the invitations and exhortations to all to come and receive the rich blessings offered. He knew nothing of his fall, but returned to consciousness to find himself on the floor.

The same thing occurred again, about ten days later in the meeting, with this difference he did not recognize any of the faces, except Jesus, standing in the center.

At both times, he says, there were waves of spiritual power and glory coming from Jesus all over him.

I believe every one in the house felt the Divine power present, and the altar was instantly crowded with penitents.       --Household of God.

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### **A CATHOLIC THAT RECEIVED PENTECOST.**

Bro. Lee, whom God so wonderfully saved from darkness and a life of sin, and baptized him with the Holy Ghost, testified, "I praise God for this old barn. This is my confession box right here. My priest was Jesus Christ. I praise God for justifying me and sanctifying me wholly, and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. Jesus Christ is the head of my church. It was Jesus who did the work for me. When the Holy Ghost comes in He speaks for Himself and sings His own songs. Friends, I did not go to college to get this language. It is the Holy Ghost that speaks. He can talk the languages of the nations. It makes no difference what judges or policemen say, this Irishman is saved by the grace of God. Glory to God. It settles a man when he gets the baptism. It gives you a sound mind. This salvation keeps me out of the saloons and jails and red light district. Jesus Christ gave his life for us that we might be saved. Glory to God for a salvation that keeps me night and day. This means persecution. Hallelujah."

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### **PREACHING TO THE SPANISH.**

Bro. and Sister Lopez, Spanish people, who are filled with the Holy Ghost, are being used of God in street meetings and in helping Mexicans at the altar at Azusa street. Bro. Brigido Perez is another young Spanish boy who has received the Pentecost. He is now in San Diego. He writes his testimony in Spanish, which being translated reads, "Through the grace of Almighty God and faith in Jesus Christ, I can testify to sanctification and the baptism with the Holy Spirit and fire of love in my heart. How good He has been to me. On September 3rd, while I was praying, I felt in my heart that Christ our Savior wanted me to go and testify in His precious name in different parts of the country." The Holy Ghost shines out of this brother's face.

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### **THE TEN VIRGINS.**

I saw a vision of the ten virgins before me, five wise and five foolish. The five foolish virgins had oil in their vessels and their lamps were burning. The five wise virgins also had their lamps burning, and oil in their vessels. This was something more than a clean heart and yet the same nature. The oil in their vessels with their lamps was the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire. The five foolish virgins were holiness people, but they were saying, "There is nothing in it, we got it when we were sanctified and we are satisfied." But the Lord showed me that the five foolish virgins, who would not accept the doctrine and seek the double supply of oil, will find that their lamps are beginning to go out, burning low. There is nothing to keep burning. They are burning now just as brightly as they ever will. The time is coming when the oil is going to give out.

Let me warn you, do not oppose the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire, for if you oppose it your lamp will go out, but you get that vessel filled with oil.

The cry went forth, "The bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him!" Then those poor ones whose lamps were going out, said, "We have not enough oil." And as they went to buy or seek the baptism with the Holy Ghost, (for the time is coming when they will begin to seek) the bridegroom was taken away. Dear ones, do you want to be there when Jesus comes? If you do, seek the Holy Ghost today.

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### **THE CHARACTER OF LOVE.**

It is sweet to have the promise of Jesus and the character of Jesus wrought out in our lives and hearts by the power of the Blood and the Holy Ghost, and to have that same love and that same meekness and humility manifested in our lives, for His character is love. Jesus was a man

of love. The people flocked to Him to hear His words. Women lugged their babies in the hot sun and spent days listening to the words of Jesus. Men got into boats and went across the sea to see Jesus and hear His precious words. While there were many that followed for the loaves and fishes, many followed Him for healing. Yes, He was a man of love. He was the express image of the Father, God manifest in the flesh.

Dear loved ones, we must have that pure love that comes down from heaven, love that is willing to suffer loss, love that is not puffed up, not easily provoked, but gentle, meek, and humble. We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter day by day. We are crucified to self, the world, the flesh and everything, that we may bear about in our body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that our joy may be full even as He is full.

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There are three regular Pentecostal missions now in the city, besides a number of cottage prayer meetings in which the Lord is working in power. In Monrovia, Pasadena, Sawtelle, Whittier and other points about here, as fast as workers are ready to go out, meetings are springing up.

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Bro. A.C. Atherton, a Presbyterian Evangelist from Greenfield, Iowa, hearing the glad tidings from Los Angeles, came 2,500 miles, and the first night he was in the meeting he was slain under the power of God and said that one meeting paid for the trip. Afterward he received the baptism with the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues. He then started home filled with great joy to spread the good news.

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Some who learned of the Pentecost in Los Angeles through reading this paper have come to Los Angeles and received the baptism with the Holy Ghost and the Bible evidence as received on the day of Pentecost. One received the Holy Ghost and gift of tongues while reading the first number of the paper. May the Lord continue to bless these printed messages to souls. We expect the Spirit to accompany this paper to the heart of each reader.

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News comes from Colorado Springs that souls are being saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Some are being healed also. A number are speaking in tongues. The Lord is calling some to go as missionaries, and a number are expecting to go to different parts of the world. The gift of singing and playing instruments in the Spirit has been given. A child six years of age has the gift of tongues, also a person eighty years of age. A girl of twelve years preaches and signs in the Indian language.

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The Word says: "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." Chicago is going to stand up in the judgment; Los Angeles shall stand before the judgment, New York and Indianapolis shall be brought into judgment. After the white throne judgment, we are going to see men and women who have scorned this holiness and baptism, and they will be cast down into the burning hell. Today is the day of salvation. Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your heart. O, accept this salvation.

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Sister Seeley of Temple Street, Los Angeles, had been suffering eight years from rupture. She could not live without her medicine and was subject to sudden spells of great pain. During the last attack, she decided to trust fully in the Lord. She came to Azusa street and asked prayers and as hands were laid on her and prayer was being offered, Bro. Seymour got the witness that

she was healed, and at the same moment she felt a thrill of joy through her being, and knew the work was done. She has since taken no medicine and her healing is perfect. She has also received the baptism with the Holy Ghost and is a joyful witness.