

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

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

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BEHOLD THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH!

Matt. 25:1-13.

“The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trump of God. And the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.” I Thess. 4:16, 17.

PENTECOST ON THE CAMP GROUND.

Sunday, Aug. 1st, will be remembered as the most wonderful manifestation of God’s presence we ever witnessed. For hours the power fell in the big tabernacle filled with saints and sinners. It was the Holy Ghost, and the place was like heaven. The very ground seems holy since then. The sound of the shouting, singing in the Spirit and praying was like the roar of a cataract. It sounded like music and was heard at a distance. People hurried to the grounds to see what was going on and several automobiles stood out in front. The crowd was awed. They stood quietly and some wept. Sinners were silenced by the mighty presence of God.

Eternity alone will reveal the results of this meeting. The power began to fall during the testimony meeting while some were on their feet waiting for an opportunity to speak and while the chorus was being sung over and over:

“Yes, I’ll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me,
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.”

It seemed as if the scene about the crystal sea and the one on earth blended, and then the shouting began, which lasted an hour. When our eyes were opened, all over the tabernacle were a multitude of saints on their feet with uplifted hands and upturned faces. Some were down under the power on the platform praising Jesus with uplifted hands. And a drunkard at the altar was crying to God for mercy, and the wife and relatives about him were rejoicing and praising God, shouting and weeping. While his brother was praying for him, he received his baptism and broke forth speaking in tongues.

There was no sermon preached, none could have been heard. It was all a message from heaven. The power came like a rushing wind from heaven and some fell. Twice the power swept down saints, and seekers fell at the altar.

A sister while under the power saw a vision of Jesus in a flame of fire and His garments red as blood. Then she saw a great city with steps leading up and then China came before her. A boy seeking his baptism saw Jesus coming in the clouds.

Someone beckoned to the people to come to the altar and at once seekers filled the altars and space about them. Then for hours there was weeping and crying to God as souls were being born into the kingdom and sanctified and baptized.

The children on the grounds flocked to the altar. Several benches were filled with them. They were lost to everything and everybody, crying to God. Other children came in and melted down and went to the altar. It was a heavenly scene. One little boy was talking to Jesus and the Spirit burdened him for China. He was praying, "Jesus, I know you are coming soon." It was sweet to see his upturned face and tears as he talked to Jesus. A little crippled boy ran outside to see if Jesus was coming and then ran back and got down to pray again. A number thought that Jesus was coming then. Some were afraid they would be left behind.

A brother, looking into the tabernacle, saw a cloud over the saints. Last summer there was a cloud-like blue smoke seen in the tabernacle. It was the cloud of His presence. Two people, looking toward the tabernacle when the power fell, saw a light in the sky like fire.

Several children were truly sanctified and several baptized. Boys who had been just saved and with eyes still red with weeping, but with peace written on their face, stood with the crowd of happy saints. A little girl, looking on, said, "Their faces shine."

One little boy got saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost all in that service. Then he fell under the power on his mother's lap, where she sat weeping and praising God. The saints gathered about the scene and song after song was sung. It was like heaven. That is all one can say to describe it. You could feel the presence of heavenly visitors, the angels, and the stately stepplings of Jesus. We had asked Him to come and He came. Several of the saints remarked how they felt a drawing power upwards. It is the mighty presence of Jesus that will draw the saints up to meet him when He comes. It seemed as if our arms were drawn up and we did not put them up or hold them up. It was the power of God.

During the day on the campgrounds there had been two meetings remarkable for depth and power and two meeting on the streets, in which souls were saved, men kneeling on the pavement at both meetings and calling on God. A drunkard that was saved, was brought out to the grounds with the band of workers, and they gave him some new clothes, as he was filthy and covered with vermin. At night he was at the meeting and we saw him at the altar praising God. It was a wonderful day to him.

We never had such a day in Portland or in Los Angeles. God is working. The power is falling. Jesus is coming. Hallelujah. We can expect great things from God.

There were many showers of the Spirit on the campground and many had visions of Jesus. Many blessed souls gloriously saved and sanctified and baptized. Praise His Holy name. In the two baptismal services at the river, one hundred were baptized with water. The Portland campmeeting of 1909 will ever be treasured in the hearts of God's saints as a most holy spot where Jesus met with His people in the greatest campmeeting we have ever seen.

A COLORED BROTHER'S TESTIMONY.

A dear colored brother working as janitor, said the Lord gave him this song one morning as he was dusting. The Lord lets him sing it in the power of the Spirit.

"Jesus said, Come unto Me,
I will pardon your sins and make you free.
I feel the fire burning in my heart.
His Blood will wash all your sins away,
And you will be ready for the judgment day.

I feel the fire burning in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,
I feel the fire burning in my heart.

When Jesus' Blood has sanctified as host.
It makes you ready for the Holy Ghost.
I feel the fire burning in my heart.
When the Holy Ghost comes down on man,
It makes him a witness in every land.
I feel the fire burning in my heart.

Then Satan will make a mighty fight,
But Jesus' Blood flows day and night.
I feel the fire burning in my heart.
It will keep you clean wherever you go,
And you will tell the story to the rich and poor."

THE DEAD RAISED.

The Lord has used a colored brother in South Africa to raise the dead. A Pentecostal missionary writes: "He is the most Godly man I ever saw. He has been preaching ever since he was 12 years old. He is a black man, but he speaks seven languages and he has lots of Jesus in him. I love him and he loves me. About a week ago, he prayed for a native child who had died; he prayed all night and the child came to life again.

Another brother writes further particulars: "This brother was asked to go and pray for a dead girl, 15 years old. He went into the kraal and prayed but got no answer. It was in a very den of devils. So he went away alone with God and prayed till three o'clock in the morning, when they came for him again. As he was going he felt the power of God possess him, and on entering the hut, he placed his right hand on the dead girl's forehead, and in a loud voice defied death in the name of Jesus Christ, thus: "I defy and command you in His mighty name to depart, and the spirit of this girl to return!" Immediately the body was shaken and the girl sat up. In a few minutes she rose and stood on her feet walking and praising God and telling the frightened people that she had been with Jesus and that He had raised her from the dead. This brother had been used of God in four people being raised from the dead:"

—Notes from 'The Upper Room', Los Angeles.

PENTECOST AMONG THE ZULU AND BASUTO PEOPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

In May two brethren went to Wakkerstroom, about 183 miles from Johannesburg, among the Zulus and held special meetings for two or three days continuously.

Upon their return they reported that there were 16 baptized with the Holy Spirit and also others saved and sanctified. The natives did not stop to eat, but went on seeking after God. Sunday afternoon was the best part of the meeting, many of them breaking out in tongues as the Lord baptized them. There were about 100 who could not get into the building, so they were given a meeting outside, where the Lord baptized three. The Zulus are the most noble natives of South Africa.

Two brethren went to Boksburg in May at the request of the National American Baptist Church and through a Basuto interpreter expounded to them the Word of God, all about the baptism of the Holy Spirit, holding at least a two days' meeting. On their return they reported as follows:

“The entire congregation, pastor and all, went down on their faces before God for the baptism with the Holy Spirit, after we had preached the Word to them. The power of the Spirit was very manifest in the meeting and several of them said that they talked in a language that they did not know.”

The colored brother that God used to raise the dead, has been working among the Basutos and he wrote:

“Last Sunday we had a splendid time. In the evening we met for a time of prayer. We first prayed for a sick child. Then we prayed for our mother church in Johannesburg, and for the brethren who have come to reveal the true Gospel to our poor, despised black nation. Last of all there prayed a man whom all here considered to be the greatest sinner. He prayed the prayer of Luke 18:13: ‘O God, be merciful to me, a sinner.’ When he said ‘Amen,’ brother, believe me, the heavens opened, and we all sang in new tongues such as we never heard here before. We all—small and great—were filled with the Holy Spirit, and there was heard from the lips of all a singing and a praying that was not like ordinary human prayers. We all saw the heavens opened, as it were. Some little children said they saw a large number of children singing ‘Suffer the little children to come unto Me.’ Some women said to me that they saw a number of angels and heard them praising God. The sick child we prayed for was like one dead, but was completely healed.”

A Jew on the campground was thrilled to hear one of the saints say in Hebrew, with power and clearness, “I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE THAT CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN.” The very words that Jesus spoke and the very language he spoke in. This is the same wonder-working Spirit that spoke on the day of Pentecost.

We have French, German and Norwegian papers on hand now. If you have any neighbors and friends that can read them, send for as many as you can use for free distribution, and we shall be very glad to send them. Also English papers of this issue. We had 60,000 double papers printed this time, so do not be afraid to ask for as many as you want. They are all free.

THE SPIRIT SPOKE IN FRENCH.

A Jewish woman doctor was on the campground seeking salvation. She understood and spoke the French language. She had been studying her Bible and striving for years to find the way of truth, but could not believe because she did not see those signs following Christians which Christ said should follow them that believe: “They shall speak with new tongues, and they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.”

But one evening as she gathered with some of the saints praying, the Holy Spirit began to speak to her in French, through a brother that had no knowledge of that tongue. He said to her, “Mangez le Pain”—EAT THE BREAD. And again, “La Porte est ouverte”—THE DOOR IS OPEN. They conversed in French and he answered in the power of the Spirit, while she was amazed, and was enabled to eat the bread of life by faith and enter the open door. The Lord has since then sanctified her soul.

News comes from Shanghai that now a number of the Chinese are baptized with the Holy Ghost. The fire of God falls when these Chinamen get down to pray.

NO OTHER NAME BUT JESUS.

In this paper, we wish to give God all the glory. This is indeed His paper. If the dear readers could know how it is published, how He gives the testimonies, and sermons and how He supplies all the means, they would not wonder that the power falls when people read it. We pray over all the papers. We pray for the healing of the sick bodies and for all the souls that are to receive the papers, and God hears prayer. To God be all the glory. It is such a privilege to have a part in sending this Gospel. And a great many are having a part. God bless them. There is one name we want to herald over the wide world, and that is the name of JESUS. He is all in all. This is why we give no other names. Any that want to verify reports may write for names and addresses.

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“THE ANOINTING OIL OF THE LORD.”

God put the holy oil upon only three classes in the Old Testament, kings, prophets and priests. The Holy Ghost is typified by oil all through the Old Testament. And the Holy Ghost is put on only three classes in the New Testament, the new covenant that He has made with us through the Blood.

God Anointed Kings.

He put the anointing oil on kings. When God chose a king, He sent a prophet out to anoint him. He sent Samuel to anoint David (I Sam. 16). And seven of the sons of Jesse passed before Samuel, and he looked on one and said, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is before Him.” And God said to Samuel, “Look not on his countenance or the height of his stature, because I have refused him, for the Lord seeth not as man seeth, for man looketh on the outward appearance but the Lord looketh on the heart.”

After they had all passed before him, Samuel said to Jesse, “Are here all thy children?” And he said, “There remaineth yet the youngest and, behold, he keepeth the sheep.” God is after the one that has been true tending the sheep, and He wants to put the anointing oil of God upon him. Hallelujah. David was little of stature, but he was God’s chosen, and the anointing oil is poured on his head. And the Spirit of the Lord came upon him from that day forward.

We read that David was anointed three times. The first time the anointing oil was put on his head, he never sat on the throne. He went out to suffer persecution. Then the time came when he was anointed again and ruled over his own tribe. Then another time he was anointed with oil and reigned over all Israel. Hallelujah to my God. Dear ones, God pours the anointing oil upon our heads and makes us kings. We reign over the world, the flesh and the devil. We are not reigned over by them, but we are overcomers, overcomers right now. We sing “Unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own Blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father.”

He pours the anointing oil upon you, and you may go out into exile. And then you may rule over Christ’s people; the Holy Ghost may make you overseer over Christ’s flock. And the time is coming when the bride of Christ will be anointed and will sit with Him in His throne and reign forever and ever.

God Anointed Prophets.

Then oil was put on another class of people, the prophets. He said to Elijah, “Go and anoint Elisha to be prophet in thy room. And Elisha followed him and kept his eyes on his master. If

he had not, he never would have received the Spirit. It seemed at many times that Elijah would discourage him. At times it seems that Jesus would discourage us, as He did the woman that wanted healing for her daughter, saying, "I am not sent but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel," and "It is not meet to take the children's bread and to cast it to dogs." But every time He seemed to discourage, she got lower and lower and her faith increased. And He said to her, "O woman, great is thy faith; be it unto thee even as thou wilt." The men and women that go into the kingdom are lowly enough to be a dog. This is the Gospel of the Son of God.

Elisha followed his master continually and poured water on his hands, and he saw him go up, and the mantle fell upon him. And not only the same works but greater works than these did he do. The mantle of Elijah typifies the gift of the Holy Ghost that was shed forth by our ascended Lord upon those that followed Him faithfully.

Elisha took up that mantle and smote the waters of Jordan and did just what his Master did, and the waters parted and the sons of the prophets looking on said, "The mantle of Elijah doth rest on Elisha."

The Anointing to Prophecy.

When Moses led out the children of Israel and the burden was too great upon him, God said, "I will take of the spirit that is on thee and will put it upon the 70 elders" (Num. 11). And immediately they began to prophesy, and it was told Moses, and they said, "Forbid them." And Moses said, "Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His Spirit upon them."

And the prophet Joel said, "It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy." Not one man but every man and woman and child that believes shall prophesy, bless God. This anointing oil is for the children and the handmaidens and the servants and all flesh.

God Anointed Priests.

There are three classes to-day that get the oil, the kings, prophets, and priests, that is, sanctified souls. He hath made us priests unto our God. All the priests were anointed with holy oil and could enter into the Holy Place. But those that are anointed with the Holy Ghost can enter right into the Holiest. Priests entered into the temple made with hands. We enter into the temple not made with hands, into the Most Holy Place, and the Spirit makes intercession through us.

The high priest bore the names of the 12 tribes on his breast before the Lord, graven on stones. A man or woman that is baptized with the Holy Ghost cannot get away from the burden of a lost world. When you receive the gift of the Holy Ghost and get the oil which is of God, you will get God's thoughts and God's heart, the Spirit groaning in your heart with groanings which cannot be uttered.

The Holy Oil.

Aaron was commanded not to go out from the door of the tabernacle to mourn his son, for the anointing oil of his God was upon him. We read that God gave the prescription for this oil. They were to take the pure incense of sweet spices and make a holy anointing oil, and it was not to be put on man's flesh or on a stranger, but on those that are clean and sanctified and pure. God forbade them to counterfeit it. Men may counterfeit the speaking in tongues, but they can never counterfeit the anointing oil of God upon us. "Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make any other like it." Ex. 30:32.

The sweetest spices were put into that oil, myrrh and cassia, sweet cinnamon and sweet calamus. We read in Solomon's Songs that the bride, when Jesus comes, will be anointed; her very fingers "dripped with myrrh." We read of the Son of God, "Thou hast anointed Him with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows," because He hath loved righteousness and hated iniquity. "All they garments smell of myrrh, and aloes and cassia." What does that mean? It means that all Jesus' garments smell of the fruits of the Spirit and the works He did. And when He comes His bride will be anointed with the same fragrance.

This Oil Is Sweet in the Fire.

This baptism of the Holy Ghost will stand the test. This anointing oil is the same that Jesus was anointed with. One of the elements was frankincense. Honey was never offered to the Lord; it typifies the flesh. Put honey to the fire and it will sour; but put frankincense to the fire and oh, the aroma, the sweet odor that comes out. And when the fruits of the Spirit are put to the test, a sweet incense arises to God. The flesh will turn sour and bitter in the test, but the sweet fruits of the Spirit, how they give out a heavenly aroma when the fire is put on.

He says, "Awake, O north wind, and come, thou south, blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out." S. S. 5:16. The bleak north winds of persecution and sorrow may blow, and it only brings out a fragrance in your life that never was there before. It is God, for it is the fruit of His Spirit—not our Spirit. When you are baptized with the Spirit, they may put the fire, the tests to you, but only sweetness flows, for there is nothing else there.

The Oil Was Poured.

The oil was most costly. When Mary broke the alabaster box, they said it was a waste. But when you are baptized with the Holy Spirit, you do not do things like other people. People say, Why are the apostolic people different from other people and other meetings? Mary came to the Lord with the precious ointment, and she did not wait to drip it out drop by drop like other people. In the foreign lands, they have oil of perfume in long-necked bottles, and they drip out a drop at a time. But this woman could not pour it out fast enough. She broke it and poured it out and washed His feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. You will not drip it out a drop at a time at His feet when you receive this anointing, not only your love, but your money and service. You will wash the feet of Jesus with your tears in China or India. For He does not walk in this country alone, He walks in every land and nation. He has broken down the middle wall between.

The Preparation for the Marriage.

The oil is the preparation for the coming of Jesus (Matt. 25:1-3). The Bridegroom is coming. The midnight cry is going forth, and the bride is going out to meet Him. Some say the Pentecost is too much oil, that the baptism of the Holy Ghost is not necessary; but it is going to take all we can get to be ready when He comes. Many think the preparation to meet Jesus is going to come with Him. No, indeed, your garments will smell of myrrh and cassia (His works) when you come up from the wilderness leaning on the arm of your Beloved. Oh, may He pour the oil on every hungry heart.

FIRST AND SECOND COMING OF JESUS.

When Jesus first came to this earth, the wise men were looking for Him, for they had seen His star in the East. As the morning star appears to usher in the day, so the star of Bethlehem appeared to usher in the King of Glory.

Never was such a child born into the world as the Babe of Bethlehem. He brings life, power and glory. Every man and woman out of Christ ought to accept this precious Babe. Great joy comes into every soul when Jesus Christ is born into their hearts. If you have not found this precious Babe, you ought to be seeking Him. He is the mighty Prince of Peace, come to bring glory to your soul.

The wise men followed the star. It was a sign to them that the Messiah was born; and this star went before them and led to the very place, the manger and the new born King. He sends His Holy Spirit to every heart, convicting them of sin, to lead them to Jesus.

Has the Day Star of Jesus Christ arisen in your heart? Then you are looking for the return of your Lord, for His second coming is as surely foretold in the Word as His first coming. In His first coming, it was the “wise men”; in His second coming it is the “wise virgins” who are going to meet Him and be at the marriage supper of the Lamb. (Matt. 25:7-13.) He says He will come forth and serve us, and we are going to sit at His table and be fed by the Almighty Christ.

The Day Star has dawned in our hearts and we can feel the sweet essence of the soon coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The wise virgins have their lamps trimmed and burning, looking for His coming. We have seen His star and we believe He is coming—not as the Babe of Bethlehem but in great power and glory. Oh, He is coming back to this old world again, coming back to sit on His throne, and we shall sit on His throne with Him. O beloved; He has sent forth His Star and we are following that Star, and he is going to lead us to meet Him in the skies. He has sent us the Holy Ghost to lead us right to Jesus. Glory to God!

Jesus is our Day Star that shines in our hearts, eternal life. We have eternal life in our souls through the precious Blood. If you have this precious Star, Jesus Christ in your heart, ruling as King in your life, you are sanctified and you are entitled to the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

The wise virgins are the ones that are going in to the marriage supper, those that have oil in their vessels with their lamps (the baptism of the Holy Ghost). They will be caught up from the mill and the field (Matt. 24:40, 41) and the unwise will be left. Everyone that is saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost will be ready when He comes.

When the Holy Ghost is come, He will lead you into all truth, and guide you to meet Jesus in the skies. The Lord Jesus has sent His blessed Spirit to illuminate our minds, fill our hearts, burn in our souls, and build up our faith in Jesus. Oh, receive this blessed Holy Ghost.

In order to be a wise virgin and reign with Jesus, we must be willing to follow Him all the way. We must give up all sin, bid farewell to this world with its pomp, glory and attractions, and live the deepest consecration to God, having no confidence in the flesh. Let us worship God in the Spirit. Let your affections be on Christ. Let us go forth with power, forgetting the things that are past and pressing forward unto the things that are before.

We always used dry goods boxes for desks to prepare the paper on in Portland and felt they were good enough. Our Lord was born in a manger. We must use all the precious offerings directly on the paper. But the other day the Lord sent in a beautiful large desk as a surprise, and He is also raising up new helpers, so now we hope to get the paper out oftener.

In one of the Spirit-filled homes in Portland live a number of workers for God that are laboring with their hands during the day. They rise at five in the morning and you can hear them all praying in their rooms. At the table one begins to give thanks and the others will burst out in praise and song. After supper they will go at once to the front room they have consecrated for prayer, drop on their knees and begin to pray for the meeting at the Mission and on the street.

One night a brother seeking his baptism said he was afraid he could not go to the street meeting as his knee was stiff. At once they all gathered around him and laid their hands on his knee in prayer and he leaped to his feet praising God. You don't have to go outside of such a home as that to find the power of God.

Jesus had a witness for everything, a witness to His birth, His baptism, His resurrection and His ascension. Three times a voice came from heaven and three times angels appeared. He wants you to have a witness from heaven that you are born of God, a witness that you are sanctified, and a witness that you are baptized with the Holy Ghost. A witness by the Spirit and a witness by the Word. You will have all the fruits of the Spirit in justification and live without sin. You will have the inbred sin taken out in sanctification and you will know it. You will have a witness of power and of speaking in tongues when you receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. You will know it and everybody else will know it.

“He poured forth His soul unto death.” It was like holy ointment poured forth—and not sparingly. He opened every vein for us. His holy body was broken like a precious alabaster box, and His Blood poured forth at the foot of the cross and stained the rugged tree. No wonder the very rocks rent and the earth trembled at the death cry of their Creator, and the heavens, the work of His fingers, were darkened and the dead came forth. If we have anything precious, let us give it to Him. Let us pour out our treasures and the dearest things of life at His feet, —not grudgingly. Let us break our hearts and pour out the precious incense unto our Lord.

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

UNITY AND POWER.

Jesus is now calling out His people that they might be one, that they might come out of all false teaching and division and be one in faith, one in heart and soul, that He might pour out greater power. His prayer is still, "That they might be one."

Christ pronounced His disciples in the Garden to be clean through the Word, but He prayed that they might be sanctified and that they might be one. Sanctification brings us into oneness with Christ and keeps us one. "For both He that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one." The disciples were sanctified before Christ ascended, for He cleansed them of doubts and restored Peter and Thomas and breathed on them the Holy Ghost and we find they were all made one, for "They were all with one accord in one place" when the Spirit was poured out in the upper room." "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues."

Three years ago, God repeated Pentecost in Los Angeles and the power fell on sanctified people. He repeated it in many places all over the world. It fell always on sanctified souls. God never has and never will baptize sin or carnality. What humility and sweetness, what meekness was seen on the souls seeking their baptism. How they all melted into one body. There was no color line, no prejudice. The sanctified soul is as sweet and humble as a baby. You are not setting up your ideas, but you get down at the altar and are like clay in the hands of the Lord; you promise to go all the way with Him. Not only are you submitted to Him, but to His people, willing to be taught even of a child. All His people become one before Pentecost.

Now thousands have been baptized, and we should have seen mighty wonders follow as after Pentecost, if we had seen the multitude continue of one heart and soul. But many lost that sweet spirit and hence the anointing; and not being grounded in the Word, they took up their old creeds and doctrines and lost the power of God on their lives. Some went into churches and some organized among themselves. As light came, some rejected it and divisions arose, and our enemies scoffed, and some honest souls were confused because they did not find the unity. We know that wars and divisions among God's people come from carnality that has crept in. Why? Because of a lack of keeping in the Word and under the Blood.

God is calling for His people to be one, not through some organization, some great leader or a federation of churches or missions, but one in doctrine in heart and mind. The unity that God wants is not a mixture with false doctrine. It is not that which some advocate, saying "Let us be one in Spirit if not in doctrine." How can there be a oneness in the Spirit and not in the Word, for the Spirit and the Word agree. The unity for which Jesus prayed was a unity as the Father and Son are one, and that was perfect. He unites souls in the Word, and their fellowship comes by walking in the light and the Blood cleansing. It is impossible to have fellowship except in the Word and in the Blood.

The Blood takes out all jealousy and evil surmising and keeps it out. It keeps us in gentleness and meekness, submitting ourselves one to another in the fear of the Lord. It keeps that confidence one in another. If one has not received as much light as we, we will be gentle and long suffering, leaving that with the Lord. Division comes not through ignorance, but through rejecting the light and compromising with known sin. We find that the disciples continue in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship. When persecution arose, they all met together

and prayed as one and the place was shaken, and souls were added to the church daily, such as should be saved. There were no divisions among them. They had all things common.

The Lord is now, we believe, about to pour out greater power and gifts upon the people that have continued in the apostolic doctrine. He has a people that have kept faith and the power. He is waiting for His people that are right down here, as we continue with one in faith to come together in the Word and to be one in confidence in one another, that He might give His gifts back to the church. For there is but one church, the body of Christ, and we are all members one of another. There is one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all. The Lord has been revealing to His people that they should fast and pray for unity. And that when we are all one that stand for this precious Gospel in heart and life, He will then give the gifts. God grant that all His people might get into the unity of the faith. God grant that we may soon see a multitude of one heart and one soul, that He may send another Pentecostal wave upon us that shall bring the gifts.

DYING TO SELF.

When we are sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, we must continue to die to self-daily. While we live that high standard of consecration and holiness, we are moment by moment and day-by-day dying out to the self-life. We are not of the world, yet we are in the world. And as long as we are in the world, we are being tried and perfected. The more we die to self, the more we have of Christ in our lives.

We come in contact with people whose spirits are hard to bear, we feel the oppression of the enemy; but we must die out to that self-life that would talk about the powers of hell and tell what the devil is doing. Let us magnify the powers of heaven and praise Jesus for what He is doing. It brings a wonderful lightness into the spirit and a welling-up within.

We must keep sweet in trial. There is nothing that hurts like having an evil report get out, but it is so sweet to die under it and say, "Jesus knows all about it." It takes real grace to die out, through evil report and "as deceivers yet true."

We must die to self-defense. Many can stand an evil report if they can defend themselves, but it takes the grace of God to bear it as Jesus did. Let them say you are false; but never mind, your reward is going on up there. It makes heaven so sweet to your soul and brings the glory down, when you go into your closet and kneel and say, "Lord, I can look up into Your face with a pure heart and clean hands, knowing that there are no evil thoughts in my mind, and in my spirit there is no guile." Jesus will reward you according as you bear about in your body the dying of the Lord Jesus. If we have Jesus inside and the power on our souls, that is all the defense we need.

We must die to talking about our persecutions. The Lord does not want us to exhibit our persecutions but to glory in tribulation. Glorifying in tribulation is glorifying in our souls before God, not talking about it. By talking about it, we may receive all the reward we will ever have. He wants us to reserve the reward for heaven, and reward us when He comes. The way is too narrow and the power too precious for us to lose any of it. Think what it will be when He comes back with 10,000 of His saints for us to be among them, and for his glory to be revealed in us. Paul said for our encouragement "I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us." All the reward we need here is to see souls saved and bodies healed and the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ set up in the hearts of men and women.

We must learn to hold still in trial. How many times He will put you through the fiery trials till you can hardly stand it. Then He will lift the trial; and when you get a little more grace, He will put it on again, till it will be all you can do to say, "Thy will be done." Oh, dear ones, while the fire burns, just ask God to hold you steady and He will do it. He is able, Bless God. Our Christ will put the fire on no hotter than we can bear. He was tempted in all points like as we are. Let Jesus stand it for you. He will lift it in time, if you just hold steady in the fire.

He wants a people perfected through the polishing and burnishing, we get Jesus in his humiliation. He will have a people that will shine forever with Him when He comes to catch away His jewels.

SANCTIFICATION.

You must be born of God and free from the law of sin before you are a candidate for sanctification. You cannot sin and repent, and sin and repent and call that salvation. That is conviction. When you are really saved, it takes sin out of your life. "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin." I John 3:9.

But there is that in your heart that will want to get angry, and you will repress it. The Blood eradicates that sin nature, that something that will lust after the world. The sanctified soul has no desire for a fair or a festival. We are strangers and pilgrims here seeking a city to come.

When a sanctified soul comes into a meeting, it brings a blessing, because the power of God is on their soul, and the sweetness and consecration radiate the love of Jesus. It means so much to have that mighty power upon the soul day by day, having no mind or will contrary to Christ, but always seeking His will. For the carnal mind is destroyed. The old Ishmael is cast out, and the Spirit has free course in our lives.

Praise God for that tenderness and childlike simplicity that marks every sanctified soul. It comes before the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and we must retain it in order to retain the baptism.

The sanctifying power of Christ will make you want to read the Bible instead of the newspaper. It will take out the desire for sight-seeing. The sanctifying Blood will take the desires of the world out of you. It will make you absolutely free and the power will come on your life. The people that God anoints for service are a sold-out people.

The Lord is the head of this work. In the Apostolic Faith Missions, he chooses the one to deliver the message and anoints them with the Spirit. No program. No one ever asked to preach. Singing, prayer and testimony are under the anointing of the Spirit. No collections are taken. The overseers and deacons are appointed by the body of saints as the Holy Ghost leads. It is the old apostolic assembly of 1900 years ago.

The word Pentecost signifies 50. Fifty days after the Passover in Egypt, they celebrated the first Pentecost at Mt. Sinai. Fifty days after the Passover was fulfilled on Mt. Calvary the Comforter came at Pentecost. And it was at the same hour—9 o'clock in the morning. All Christ's people should have these two blessed feasts in their souls, salvation from sin and the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Christ today is calling for a people separated from the world. Not decorated with gold, feathers and flowers, and dressed like fashion plates. Nay, verily, God wants a people stripped of worldliness. Christ's people love not the world, neither the things of the world. As soon as

they receive the light on the Word, they will strip them off. You cannot keep your blessing and refuse to walk in the light. Our God is a jealous God. He wants us to be holy within and without. I Pet. 3:3. I Tim. 2:9.

When this work started, it was planted on the foundation of the Word. God will honor a work that honors Jesus Christ. It will stand when it is built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone. If you lay the foundation of a building well, it will not crack and fall when the floods come and the winds blow. The foundation is restitution, justification, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, the ordinances and all the teachings of Jesus Christ. When He comes, He will take those that have continued in His doctrine.

God wants us to prevail in prayer for the lost and perishing. When the Spirit travails through us, children will be born into the Kingdom. The real bride of Christ will never be satisfied with praying for the home land. She will pray for souls in China and Africa and India and the Islands of the Sea, and the precious men that are going over the waters in the engine rooms of the ships and in the mines in the bowels of the earth.

Oh, beloved, have you the fire and the sound of a rushing mighty wind in your soul? If you have, when the heavens open and the angels and Christ descend on snow-white clouds, there will be an echo in your soul and a power that will draw you up and make you a partaker at the marriage supper of the Lamb. We used to sing, "I want to be there, I expect to be there," but now we know we will be there, and it is precious to know.

When the angel spoke to Mary, there was something in her soul that responded and knew it was of God, and she knew there would be a performance of those things that were told her. Do you know this work is of God? If you have something in your soul that came from heaven, it will respond to the voice of God and you will know it is of Him.

If our hearts and lives are clean, and we have not sinned against God or man, we can ask what we will and it shall be done unto us. You can say, "Lord, I am keeping Your commandments and walking in all Your statutes," and you fall on your face and ask Him to deliver your child or heal your daughter. You can approach God and in His own good time and pleasure, He is going to answer. If you are asking to consume it on your own desires, He will say, "Not yet, my child, but when I get you molded a little better so I can use you a little more, I will answer you then."

A boy's testimony: "I want to praise God for what He has done for me. He picked me up out of sin. To think He could save a sinner like me. He gave me joy and peace in my soul. He sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire. I praise him for healing my body so many times. A few days ago when I had appendicitis, the doctor said I would have to have an operation or die and He healed me. Praise God."

One night about one o'clock some workers found a drunkard on the street and brought him to the hallway of the mission and got down to pray for him. The drunken man called on God to save him and take away the drink. They cast the drink demons out of him. A policeman flashed

his lantern in to see what was going on. God saved the man and he said, "I have the witness right here," patting his hand on his heart. He was perfectly sobered and said, "This is what I have wanted for years." Glory to God!

Souls are being baptized with the Holy Ghost in Russia. A letter just comes written in German, saying that the people were hungry for the Spirit, and when they received a German Apostolic Faith paper, it told them how to seek the baptism and a number of the Russians and even little children.

**THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION,
Cor. Front and Burnside Sts.,
Portland, Ore.**

We are praising God for a beautiful large hall to hold the crowds. The one last year was too small, and the workers have been laboring to take out a brick wall, enlarging the old one to twice its capacity. It is a good birthplace for souls. While the men were at work, some would be out on the streets and would bring in souls and get them saved. Three were saved the day before the hall was finished, and the first day it was open, six were saved and two baptized. Some are being saved every night.

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

IS THERE A REAL HELL?

A Pentecostal missionary writes:

YES, there is a hell, a literal hell, burning with fire and brimstone. I will give, in a few words, what God has shown me. I speak what I know and testify to that which I have seen.

After the Lord had put me in His work, I, for a number of years, preached and taught there was no literal hell, but our passions were what burned us up. The Sunday following my baptism with the Holy Ghost, I was awakened very early in the morning, my body shaking and trembling while a voice, clear and distinct, gave command to arise, so I arose, and kneeling down at the bedside in prayer, I was taken out of the body, and a being, which I did not or could not see, yet very distinctly felt, took hold upon me.

Finally, I was let down in what is commonly called Nob Hill, in San Francisco. I heard again a voice saying to me, "Son of man, speak." I opened my lips and strange sounds I uttered, not understanding their meaning, but the ground under my feet parted and I looked down into an awful fire. It seemed to scorch my skin, and I smelled the brimstone very clearly. Had it not been for the being at my side, I firmly believe I would have been drawn into this terrible whirlpool of living flames. On lifting up my eyes, I beheld men and women falling and stumbling into the everlasting fire. Some came running and jumping in; some played around the brink till drawn down by that terrible suction; some seemed to draw back and yet come forward. I saw the splash as of liquid fire and heard the awful fiendish laugh of demons when a poor soul tumbled in.

Shuddering and shivering I beheld the sight, when I was asked, "Do you believe there is a literal hell, and will you tell your fellow-men so?" My answer was, "Yes, dear Lord; yes, if You will spare me"; and so I have ever since, starting the same day. Coming back to the body I beheld my dear wife (not being used to it at that time), bending over me and rubbing my head. Telling her my experience she said, "Praise God, that He has opened your eyes!" Yes, praise His dear name forever and ever.

An Advent Preacher Saw Hell.

An Advent preacher who did not believe in hell was also convinced of its truth by a vision which seemed to be on a hill near San Francisco. He saw a veritable lake of fire and men and women falling into it, and one woman that was professing holiness he saw sitting upright and going right down into hell. Others have had visions of a burning hell, and the Lord has been establishing His word in the last days and causing his people to preach the awful realities of hell fire.

Eternity in Hell.

People that know they would go to hell if they died tonight still say, "I would rather have the pleasures of the world and take my chances." But, oh, there is a great chance of eternity in hell. The beggar that lay at the rich man's gate died, and angels carried him to Abraham's bosom. The rich man died also and went to hell. God gave us that example that we might know that souls are in torment after they leave this body. He cried, "Father Abraham, send Lazarus that he might dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame."

How shall you escape hell if you reject this precious Gospel that the Lord has granted signs and wonders to follow? If you grieve the Holy Spirit and trample the Blood of Jesus under your feet, how shall you escape hell?

When you have read this paper, do not throw it away, but pass it on. Do all you can to spread this precious Gospel.

One morning on the camp-ground when the very air seemed saturated with the Spirit of God, a sister that was paralyzed walked out of her tent and all around praising God. That day the power was so on the grounds that people fell under the power even in the path as they walked about.

THE WAY TO SALVATION.

“Behold I have set before you an open door and no man can shut it.” God has opened this door, which is Christ Jesus. He opened it at the cost of His dear Son. And it is open, bless God. He does not want us to climb up the wrong way, but come through the Door, Jesus Christ, the only way to God.

How shall you come? By confessing your sins, cleaning up your past life, and believing in Jesus Christ. The moment you come to Him, He washes away your sins in His own Blood, and you go through the door and become one of His own sheep. Read John 10. No man can pluck you out of His hand. But you can turn your back on Him and go back into sin, and the moment you sin, the Holy Spirit cuts you off. If there is a backslider that has turned away into sin, the Lord Jesus invites you to come back by the door, confessing your sins and doing your first works over. The door of mercy is open now. But the Lord warns us that soon it will be shut.

WONDERFUL HEALING.

635 Pacific Ave., Long Beach, Calif., Sept 19th. —My little girl was taken sick with typhoid fever. Had two doctors at a time. She became speechless and limbs stiff. I thought it had gone far enough in trusting human help and gave the doctors up and put her in the Lord’s hands, and said, “Lord, have your way. Your will be done.” Then God let one of the Portland papers fall into my hands, and I felt I must send a handkerchief to be anointed for her. I obeyed at once, and as soon as the letter was mailed, I saw the room full of fire. It was the most wonderful sight I ever saw.

That was on Thursday. She got worse and worse. Screamed day and night, till on Saturday afternoon it seemed death set in. My mother, unknown to me, phoned for a doctor. He came, made examination and said her bowels were locked, were perforated and having hemorrhage inside. Also that peritonitis had set in. Gave her three hypodermics and said, “Call another doctor.” He came and would not examine her. Only gave another hypodermic. Her leg had begun to mortify, a spot as large as your hand. He told us not to bother her, and left her to die. For 18 days and nights she had lain speechless and stiff.

At midnight I went to her and white froth was working out of her mouth and she had almost stopped breathing, her pulse was gone. But, bless God, they had prayed at Portland, and death was conquered. Praise God forever. A sister sitting up with her said, “Oh, I feel the power of God. There is victory here, either for death or healing.” The glory of God began to come down. All began to praise God. I thought it was victory for her death for me. They went after her

father and brothers to see her die. She began to throw up and it was mortified. Had to fumigate before I could stay near her. (A nurse explained to me afterwards it was death.)

At three o'clock she spoke and said, "Mama." God touched her from head to foot. She began to take nourishment and could say anything she wanted to. Her limbs became natural. She was sitting up in two days. Had been sick 42 days. Such a perfect healing! The doctor came next morning and said, "This is a cure I don't know anything about. If it isn't God, I don't know what to think." She has not tasted a drop of medicine since.

She told us an angel came and carried her to see Jesus, and He was on the clouds and told her to tell the people to be watchful: He was coming soon. Sent a personal message back to me, bless His dear name. Praise our God for a Savior who can heal and save to the uttermost, and for people that have power with Him. I know my dear little girl would have been dead if it had not been for your prayers.

Dear ones that read this, do put your trust in Him. He has His Elijah's somewhere in caves or places that He knows all about. He'll send them to help you. All you have to do is to trust Him.

HEALED OF A BROKEN VEIN.

The sister that translated the French paper was sanctified and received her baptism at the campmeeting a year ago in Portland on Mt. Tabor. She says: "The first time I came inside the grounds, something sweet came into my soul. I was a stranger to all the people, but I could have embraced them all in my arms. I had never seen an altar before, but I went to the altar and the Lord sanctified me. It was as if I came out of a dark cloud and a wonderful light shone. I did not know what it meant, and they told me, 'The Lord has sanctified you, and now you want to seek for the baptism of the Holy Ghost.' I said, 'What is that?' I had never heard of it, but I sought and received the baptism.

"The next day after I was sanctified, I had to give up my lodge because I could not keep that and have Jesus at the same time. As I went on the car, there was such a sweetness in my soul, and the people saw there was a change in me. I gave them the lodge books, and told them I did not want them any more.

"The second time I took the Lord's Supper, He healed me from a disease of 18 year's standing. I had worn a bandage on my left limb for all these years on account of a broken vein. When I got up the next morning, the bandage slipped off, and I stooped to pick it up; and the Lord said, 'You do not need it any more.' That is 11 months ago and I walk around without any bandage. When I tried to leave it off before, I would nearly bleed to death with it. That is what the Lord has done for me."

The Lord healed a sister of congestion of the lungs in Portland and then opened heaven and let her see the New Jerusalem as John saw it, descending from God out of heaven with the light streaming down all around it.

A Finnish brother that received his baptism has been preaching to his people in Astoria. Numbers have sought and found salvation. We soon expect to have a Finnish paper published. God has a baptized Finnish sister that is translating. Several Finns were saved at the mission in Portland just the other night, and one received his baptism last Sunday night.

A man came to the Upper Room Mission in Los Angeles, that had been addicted to morphine for 15 years and physicians could not cure him. He called on God, and the Lion of the Tribe of Judah that breaks every chain, delivered him. Souls are being saved and sanctified in the mission, and in one week of late there were four in one family baptized with the Spirit.

At the campmeeting the power would fall when the saints sat down at the table. There was one day when the power fell so in one tent that the workers fell under the power. The food remained untouched and nobody could eat at that table that day. The saints gathered around praising God.

Pentecost has now fallen in Paris, France, and a brother received his baptism and spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. And now the Lord has given the French people a paper in their language to spread the good news. It is translated by a French sister who received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in Portland.

The soul that abideth continually in that place where we are wholly sanctified, has a freshness and tenderness within continually. Do you know that the sweetness comes in its fullness in sanctification. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is power for service. Does the Blood flow in your soul today? Can you kneel by your kitchen stove or in the dining-room or out in the wash house and go to God for the precious perishing world? It means much to stay in the place where we are wholly sanctified.

One evening on the campground three received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in a prayer tent where some were praying for the evening meeting.

TESTIMONY OF A JUDGE.

I have been a lawyer and judge upon the bench nearly all my life till I was 50 years of age. I went to hear the people preach and an awful conviction came on my soul. When this conviction came on my heart in Spokane, a man came there with a telegraphone that records a man's voice on a fine steel wire. I said to the gentleman, "How long will it record?" And he said, "This wire winds on a spool and then on another and is three miles long, and it would take down a campmeeting or a whole lecture."

And while I looked at that, the Lord said to me, "Every soul has a spiritual telegraphone that records his whole life, and not only that, but his whole thoughts." Then I thought how I was in Portland trying a case that involved thousands and was around with other lawyers debauching. I went around yesterday and looked at the saloons where I debauched my soul, and if I could, I would pour forth my tears to wipe away those debauches.

To think that our thoughts are recorded forever and ever! I like to fell through the floor when I heard it. It was awful, awful. I did not hear that from man, but I got it from God. I said to the man, "Say, is there any way you could remove that record?" And he said, "Yes, I can touch a button and it will take all that record away." And while he said that, God said to me, "That is what the religion of Jesus Christ will do for you. He poured out His Blood that He might take away the record from you, and that the Spirit might write another record."

Men, I went away with the determination to seek God till the old record was gone. I appealed to Him and prayed till the 15th of July a year ago. He came into my heart, and I tell you the old record was gone, and God began to write a new record in me.

I went on seeking my sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and I went to the places where I had debauched my soul, and preached the Gospel on the street.

There is a button that you can touch and take away the old record. An account of your life is on record, and that is what is to be repeated at the judgment. If you will come to God in penitence today, Jesus will apply the Blood and the old record will go and the Spirit will come and begin to write a new record, and give you songs in the night.

The politicians and lawyers say I have lost my mind. I plead guilty this afternoon. I have lost my old mind and found a new mind, the mind of the Lord Jesus Christ. I am happy and filled with ecstasy for ever and ever. May God help you, men, to touch the button.

In the mission at Mukti, India, there are 1,500 girls that have given up worshipping idols and there is a praying band of 750 Spirit filled girls. Numbers of them have seen in letters of fire, "JESUS IS COMING SOON," written in the heavens. The girls know what it is to wait in prayer and get the baptism. They have prayed whole nights. As a band of these girls were witnessing one day, a man threw a brick and struck one of these girls in the eye, and she said, "Oh, I shall be blind." The pain for a minute was awful, then she said, "The Holy Spirit seemed to well up in me, and He gave me such a prayer for that man. I said, 'Oh, Father, forgive him. He knew not what he did.'" Jesus healed my eye that minute and let me see there was a living Christ." Another day a man threw a live scorpion among them and their feet were bare but they claimed the promise and went right on preaching.

A rescued girl who was saved in the Apostolic work in St. Paul is sweetly serving Jesus. She married a good Christian man and has opened her home for the rescued.

A little girl saw a vision of one of the saints at the campground talking with a sinner, and she saw angels beside her and God back of her. Oh, if we do the work of God, angels will be the children of God standing talking with us and God will smile upon us.