Swift Gospel Messengers

Nahum the prophet said, more than two thousand years ago, that in the last days, “the days of His preparation,” the chariots should “run like the lightnings.” Thank God, some of these chariots have been converted into swift Gospel Messengers to publish the coming of the King. They seem like chariots of fire that God is sending out to carry the good news of salvation to suffering and lost humanity.

The Lord has just given the Mission work three more Gospel Autos to carry the good news of salvation to hungry, perishing souls. There are eleven Gospel Autos now in the Mission work on the Coast. These “churches on wheels” carry bands of workers, from seven to eighteen, also a street organ, stringed instruments and papers for distribution.

Thousands of people on this Coast have heard the Gospel from these Gospel machines. They are reaching multitudes of souls and many are saved through them.

Three Gospel Autos were purchased of late within a week, without a word to the public. One for the Portland work, one by the Seattle work, and one by the Tacoma work. No collections have ever been taken or help solicited in this work. It is a work of faith absolutely. The Mission people brought the funds, counting it the highest privilege to have a part in these Gospel Autos that are reaching so many souls today, bringing salvation and healing to those who would never otherwise hear the Gospel.

The power of God rests mightily on the outdoor auto work, on streets and from place to place. Jesus did most of His preaching and teaching out in the open, by the wayside, in desert places and by the seaside. He was rejected from the synagogues. And in these last days thousands are hearing the Gospel by the way side.

Portland now has four Gospel Autos, carrying bands of workers. The field is great and souls must be reached quickly for the time is short. Gospel Autos are also being used in the Mission work in Seattle, Wash.; Vancouver, B. C.; Tacoma, Wash.; Eugene, Ore.; Dallas, Ore.; and Chehalis, Wash.

These machines are carrying the Gospel out on the streets, to the jails, the poor farm and surrounding towns. All are being used for the same purpose. God is manifestly setting His seal upon the meetings held from them, and people stand weeping, and raise their hands to be prayed for. Many have been healed and saved through these meetings.

One of the Gospel Autos from Portland was taken to San Francisco of late where a remarkable revival is in progress. A mission has been opened in the slums of the city and meetings were held from this Auto. Thousands heard the Gospel in that city of the World’s Exposition, and thousands of papers were given out free and eagerly received. Souls were saved from every class.
On April 21st, a band of five workers left San Francisco for Portland on a Gospel Auto tour up the coast. They carried stringed instruments, and Gospel literature. Meetings were held in all the principal towns along the way with great success. Crowds listened to the story of salvation as it was told on the street corners at all times of the day. Often the workers would strike a town in a most unlikely time for a meeting, but the moment they began to sing, the crowd would gather and press up to the Auto to catch every word of the testimonies.

In places where no meetings could be held, the workers would distribute papers through the town, visiting the business places. Papers were also distributed along the way to the farm houses and through the mountains.

They camped out at night, and went through some wild mountain country as they crossed the Coast Range, the Siskiyous.

The city officials were consulted in the large cities and were very courteous in granting permission for meetings.

A large meeting was held in Stockton, California, on Hunter Square. Intense interest was manifested throughout the entire meeting. Many came up at the close of the meeting and enquired into the work. They gave out a great many papers. The five workers handed papers to the hands outstretched, as fast as they could do so. A secular paper said of the meeting:

“They preached the old-time Gospel which is the power of God unto salvation.”

Another wonderful meeting was held during the noon hour at Sacramento, Calif. Immense crowds. They asked for papers even before the meeting was closed. One man who served fifteen years at Folsom prison had just been released the day before. He listened to the meeting on the street, took a paper and was directed to the Mission in San Francisco, to one of our prison workers. He then came on to Portland and was wonderfully saved.

All the way up the coast, the Gospel Auto was used of God in reaching many souls with the Gospel message, arriving in Portland, May 1st. The machine has since then made trips out into the country to towns fifty miles distant and held wonderful meetings at different points on the same trip.

In Eugene, Oregon, an aggressive Mission is doing active service with two Autos, going out to several different towns with the Gospel. More calls are coming in than they can fill, and hundreds of people are hearing the Gospel. Souls are being saved in the Mission and in the towns the Gospel Autos are visiting. At one trip to Cottage Grove, after the street meeting, they rented a hall, took the crowd there and a number of souls were saved.

With a beautiful Gospel Auto carrying ten workers and street organ, the Vancouver, Canada, Mission is doing open air evangelistic work. At a meeting held at New Westminster one Saturday night, on a principal corner, there was a wonderful crowd that gave perfect attention. People just ran for the papers. They could not hand them out fast enough. On another trip to Sardis and Chilliwack, eighty miles distant, the people stood in the rain and listened to every word. They took the papers quickly, and as the Auto left, they clapped their hands. As a result of the meeting, a hall has been rented and meetings opened. They say that twenty-five years ago, the whole country up there was on fire for God and now it is dead. May God cause it to break forth and become a blossoming garden.

We would rather use the Lord’s money in spreading the Gospel everywhere than in building churches. There are great churches in every town and city which cost thousands of dollars and are little used; and where will you find sinners kneeling at the altar, weeping their way through to the cross, and going out on the street telling the story?
Jesus is coming soon. We are not organizing and building churches. We are going out quickly in the streets and lanes and bringing in the lost, for Jesus said, “Compel them to come in, that My house may be filled.” Luke 14:23. It is the last and most urgent call. It is time for us to hasten out into the highways and hedges. The table is spread and yet there is room. Many are needy, hungry and dying for the Bread of [Life]. It is eventide, the last hour.

A Finnish brother--I was an infidel since I was a little boy. My father was an infidel. I was a drunkard but God Almighty delivered me from that kind of a life and put real salvation in my soul. I praise God He healed me. I tried doctors and medicine, and they were not able to cure me, but I heard these people on Burnside Street telling that God healed people today. And I went to God and said, “Lord, if you are able to heal those people, you are able to heal me.” And He let the healing power come on my body and healed me right there. I praise God for this powerful Gospel. It makes a man an overcomer, it heals his body and gives him what his heart desires.

A lumber jack’s testimony -- I thank God I am not a drunken lumber jack as I was three years ago. I had been raised in the logging and mining camps. I did not remember when I smoked the first cigarette and was first under the influence of liquor. But I made my way to a little mission where they held up Jesus, and I got down on my knees and asked God to change my life. I got up from my knees and knew I was saved. I went back to the logging camps, right with the crowd I used to drink and carouse with, but never wanted to drink or go back to the world. I thank God for something that can come down into a young man’s life and clean him up and make him what he ought to be.

The Newspaper and the Bible

Christ prophesied of the very times in which we are living. The end is near. It becomes clearer as the day approaches. Every newspaper, every telegraph wire carry the news which is daily fulfilling prophecy. Eleven nations are now in the great war. Never in history was there so bloody a war. The world was never in such convulsions, on land and sea.

The great prophecy of our Lord as recorded in Matt. 24:6-8, “Nation shall rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom,” was never so fulfilled as in these last few months. Eight nations have risen against three nations and six kingdoms against three kingdoms. Wars are taking place in the four quarters of the globe.

The papers state that a new means of killing adds horror to the war. From the trenches, a low hanging cloud of vapor, a deadly gas has been sent on before an army, which carried by the wind, poisons the opposing army in their trenches.

The war grows more bloody and fierce. Recently the papers stated the dead before the trenches were piled up like corn stalks at harvest. Enemies side by side in death. Men fought all night long till they could no longer hold a rifle.

At least one-half of the population of the world today is engaged in war. The beginning of the end. It portends the end of the present Gentile dispensation and the ushering in of the Kingdom of Christ.

The great war is costing the nations vast sums of money and the life’s blood of hundreds of thousands. Millions of dollars have already been spent in the destruction of life and devastation of cities and villages, in sinking of great vessels, carrying down thousands of precious lives.

The war is costing England alone $10,500,000 a day. That sum is $180 a second day and night. And what about the loss of life, of immortal souls?
Jesus is coming soon, the whole world knows it. The papers are quoting Bible prophesies surely we are on the eve of the coming of the Lord.

The Turks, the Mohammedans, who are now warring against the nations, have for centuries held the Holy Land in their possession. Missionaries have been obliged to flee from Turkish lands. It all points to the time when the Jews will come into possession of their land again. "Jerusalem shall be trodden under the foot of the Gentiles until the time of the Gentiles be fulfilled." Luke 21:24.

"Famines, Pestilences."

Cholera has already commenced in Austria and pestilence in Servia, earthquakes have occurred in Asia Minor and Italy, and famine is now being threatened in Germany and Austria.

Jesus prophesied of war, famines and pestilence before His coming, and said, "When these things begin to come to pass know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand." Luke 21:28.

"Earthquakes."

The newspapers tell of the trembling of the earth’s crust, and of where the earth is belching forth in some new places. Lassen Peak in Northern California, an extinct volcano, has recently become active. Streams of boiling hot mud have flowed down the mountain and covered fields, a menace to the surrounding country. A stream of hot mud flowed down the valley covering farm lands and killing the stock, making it necessary for people to flee at night from their homes to higher ground.

God is speaking in the earth in these last days through earthquakes, volcanic eruption and great disturbances the world over.

"Signs in the Skies."

The papers have reported that in France signs have been seen in the skies. The director of the observatory at Bourges, says that his attention has been called every few days to singular phenomena in the sky, such as halos, crowns and luminous crosses. Such signs in the heavens have been seen in many parts of the world today. And to those that know the Word of God and the prophecy of the coming of Jesus, it is the handwriting of their God upon the sky.

Astronomers say that a new star appeared in 1914, at the time of the beginning of this awful war. Jesus said before His coming there should be signs and upon the earth distress if nations. Luke 21:35.

Another remarkable sign in the stars is reported by an astronomer. He says that the constellation known as the Southern Cross seen only in the southern seas, which appeared above the horizon about the time Jesus was born and as far north as Bethlehem, has again been seen in 1914 at that point.

Another scientist, speaking of the sun entered into the sign of Aquarius at the equinox, says that it is the herald of the soon coming of some great teacher. He says that at the last event of like character Jesus of Nazareth came; and he gives his opinion that it is the herald of His coming back to earth again.

Those ministers, higher critics and skeptics that have been preaching and teaching that the world is getting better, are beginning to apologize for what they have said. They were saying there would be no more wars, that the Hague treaty had done away with the horrors of war. They are now brought face to face with this last awful war. True to prophecy it has come. Those that were crying peace and safety, the great men, the learned men, the men of standing and prestige, have proved to be false prophets. Just as sure as God’s Word is written, just so surely will it come to pass. No matter how bright or how terrible it may be, the Word of God will be fulfilled.
**THE LAST HOUR**

The sunset burns across the sky;  
Upon the air its warning cry  
This curfew tolls, from tower to tower.  
O children, ‘tis the last, last hour!

The work that centuries might have done  
Must crowd the hour of setting sun;  
And through all lands the saving Name  
Ye must, with fervent haste, proclaim

The fields are white to harvest. Weep,  
O tardy workers, as ye reap,  
For wasted hours that might have won  
Rich harvests ere the set of sun.

We hear His footsteps on the way!  
Oh, work while it is called today,  
Constrained by love, endued with power,  
O children, in this last, last hour!—Sel.

**HOW MEN PRAY WHEN THEY FACE DEATH.**

One of the survivors of the Titanic disaster has been saved in the Vancouver Mission. He was a gambler, and at the time the ship struck ice, he was down in the ship, gambling and robbing men of their money. They were so interested in the game that they did not realize what had happened, and went on and played for some minutes after the ship had crashed into the iceberg. When they heard that the ship was sinking, they went out on deck. People got down on their knees and began to pray, and they all prayed at once. He had been an infidel; but from that moment, he believed God. He prayed, “O God, if you will spare my life and get me out of here, I will serve you.” God spared him, and he is serving God today.

The reports of how the band played, “Nearer My God to Thee,” were all a farce, he says. People on that ship were like those in every place when they face sudden death. They did not stop for music, they got down on their knees and began to pray. They did not care who listened to them. The millionaire, the noted man of the world, the one that had on his belt of gold, all got on their knees and prayed. They knew that in a few minutes they would be plunged into eternity.

The man that was saved from the Titanic says, that after the ship sank, about two thousand were plunged into the water and some were screaming and crying to God, some were praising and shouting because they had prayed through. They all had on life preservers that hold their heads out of the water. Some were cursing God because they hardened their hearts and knew that hell would be their doom. They had a foretaste of it already in their breast.

He said, every once in a while they would hear the prayer turn to a shout and rejoicing. They had prayed through and found peace, and they sank out of sight.

**Two Indians that have** both been saved from drink, are now workers in the Seattle Mission, testifying on the streets and in the hall. They sing together the most beautiful songs, both in English and the Indian language, which touches hearts.
A Revival in San Francisco

A most wonderful revival is going on in the new Apostolic Faith Mission in San Francisco, 755 Howard Street. Many souls are being saved from lives of sin. Right in that city, so given over to unbelief and sin, where throngs of pleasure seekers are coming to the World’s Exposition, God in His mercy has opened a Mission where souls might have a chance to hear the Gospel before it is too late.

The power of God rests on the Mission continually. The presence of God is manifest in the meetings. The people will weep and praise God, it is wonderful.

The hearts of the sinners that come to the Mission in that city seem to be so tender and receptive to the Gospel. You can feel that they just drink in the testimonies and preaching of the Word. Some will weep and cry through the meeting while the testimonies are being given.

Altar services have been wonderful. Sinners will weep their way to the Blood and many times will rise with their faces shining, clapping their hands and praising God. Others with arms extended and tears flowing, will praise God, about the altar.

A young man from South America was saved in the revival in San Francisco. He had studied for 24 years in the Vatican at Rome, preparing to be a Catholic priest. He speaks seven different languages.

A Russian was saved in the Mission and has been writing letters of restitution, making wrongs right. He has since been sanctified.

A Danish man was going to take his own life by blowing his brains out with a six shooter, and came and was saved. He has a wonderful testimony. Also a big Norwegian man was saved and is testifying in the Mission hall and on the streets.

A man that had been in Christian Science and Theosophy, seeking for something real, has been wonderfully saved in the Mission.

A deserter from the United States Army was saved. He went with one of the soldier boys that belongs to the Mission and gave himself up at the barracks the same night he was saved. He went with a smiling face, saying that he would rather serve God in prison than go to hell outside, a deserter.

Street meetings are held about a block and a half from the Mission. The moment they start singing, the crowd begins to gather and increases until there is an immense crowd all through the street services. The songs and testimonies go forth, and the sinners seem to delight in it. The papers are given out, as many as a hundred at a meeting. The hall is well filled every night.

A Bermuda boy came to the Mission one night, and after hearing the testimonies, came to the altar and was wonderfully saved. He knew nothing about salvation, was perfectly ignorant concerning the Bible and the things of God. He had been an electrician on the Panama Canal and is now working at that trade in San Francisco. He goes out in the street and testifies and in the hall every night, telling how God saved him from drink and cigarettes.

The Lord showed him some restitution that he would have to make. He had told a man that if he ever crossed his path again he will kill him. So he bought a ticket and boarded a train and went and found the man and said to him, “I’ve got salvation. I purposed in my heart that if I ever met you again I would kill you, but God saved me and took that out of my heart.”

A woman that was selling lottery tickets stood and heard the Gospel at the Auto meeting on the street. She came down to the Mission that night and to the altar and was wonderfully saved. She said she would not sell another lottery ticket.
One of the workers that went to help in the San Francisco revival had been a Presbyterian minister but knowing nothing of experimental religion. He was saved at the Campmeeting in Portland two years ago. He had a brother living in Oakland, California. This brother and wife came to the Mission in San Francisco and both came to the altar at the first meeting. They are saved, and the wife has been miraculously healed.

A letter carrier who had lost his position through drink was on his way to commit suicide. He was a young man of but 21 but had been a confirmed drunkard since 19. He was a Catholic and had been through two Catholic colleges in San Francisco. But he said he was of no use to himself or anyone else and had made up his mind to end it all that night in the bay. He had written a note to his uncle, saying that when his uncle read the note, all would be over. The note was in his pocket. He stopped to listen to a Mission meeting on the street and followed to the hall and knelt at the altar, and in an instant, his load of sin rolled away and the drink habit forever left him.

A man and wife came to the city of San Francisco with an automobile. He said they had been to all the great evangelist’s meetings in the east, but they had never been in such meetings and never heard such testimonies. He had been a councilman in Nebraska. As soon as he heard the testimonies on the street he said, “That is what I want.” They both came to the altar seeking God. The man was wonderfully saved and healed.

Old time conviction is resting upon the sinners. One night when nine seekers were at the altar praying for salvation, a man came to the door and said, “Let me in.” He then ran to the altar and wept and cried and took his cigarettes out of his pocket and threw them away and soon got up with his face just shining. They asked him if he was saved and he said, “Yes, I am, and I am going to keep it too.”

Still later that night, another young man came to the door and knocked and asked if he could come in. He said, “I have tried to go home three times tonight and I cannot get home, I had to come back and get saved.” He knelt and God wonderfully saved him and he went home rejoicing.

A new convert that had been saved only a few weeks, while the Word was being preached one Sunday night, received his sanctification sitting in his seat. The power of God was present all through the meeting. Some with lifted hands were praising God, others were weeping. At the altar call, sinners flocked to the altar and eight were saved that night.

Meetings are held in the city jail in San Francisco and the county jail in Oakland. God is wonderfully working in both jails, and the boys behind the bars are eager to hear the testimonies that are given every Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Many have knelt behind the bars at the close of the services, seeking for salvation. There have been four men saved in the county jail who are living the Christian life. The boys of the county jail recently wrote a letter to the Mission, stating how they appreciated the meetings, and what good effect it was having on the men there, and said they counted the days till they would come again.

Street meetings are held every Saturday night on Barbary Coast (as the slums of San Francisco are called), and also on the water front. As soon as they begin to sing, a crowd gathers, and the men drink in every word as the testimonies are given, and listen with tears in their eyes—not a smile of derision is seen. Many lift their hands for prayer.

On Decoration Day the Mission held a wonderful baptismal service and seventeen were baptized in water in the bay.

The whitened fields are surely bending for the reapers on the streets of San Francisco. Many hungry people for God are in that place. There has been an old time revival ever since the
mission was opened. Many have found their way to the Cross, and are praising God for a lighthouse in San Francisco today.

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Many voices in Prayer.

The prayer services in these Missions are marked by the presence and power of the Spirit. Hundreds of voices are raised to God at once. The sound of the voices, like the sound of many waters, has been heard on the street and it has brought souls under conviction and to the feet of Jesus Christ. Many hearing the songs out on the street have been on the way to commit suicide, and have been arrested by the Spirit of God and brought to the Mission and to the altar, and today they are witnesses of the power of God.

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The Apostolic Faith Mission, Front and Burnside Streets, Portland, Oregon, is the headquarters of these missions. The papers are published here, also foreign papers.
HE SUFFERED TO SANCTIFY YOU

Is your all on the altar? When you bring your offering to the altar, let it remain there. It means your body a living sacrifice, to keep your consecration faithful unto death. Jesus suffered without the gate to sanctify you with His own Blood. “Let us go forth unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach.” It means to be crucified with Christ, it means to take the way with the despised few.

This is the will of God, even your sanctification.” If there is something in your heart and life that hinders God’s perfect will, do not say it is too great for Him to dispossess it, and deliver you from it. By faith they entered into the promised land, and saw God drive out their enemies before them. God will cleanse your heart from all uprisings and all inward depravity and inherited sin, and give you complete victory through the power of the Blood and make you a full overcomer.

Sanctification—Justification is wonderful. Yes, it is wonderful to live without sin, but it is more wonderful to have the victory within and at all times, to have that old fight with the inward nature ended, to have the nature of sin removed, destroyed forever. If you have that old uprising in your soul at times, that inbred sin that tries to assert itself and you have trouble in keeping it down, there is perfect deliverance for you through the power of the Blood of Jesus Christ.

When you are sanctified, you will not get grouchy, peevish and edgy under trail. It takes all the perverseness out of your life. You can come out of the trial triumphant and with your face shining. You do not need to justify yourself by saying you are nervous and tired. That is the way some people slip out of it, making an excuse for carnality, saying that is the reason they got out of the Spirit. The reason you got out of the Spirit is because you did not have holiness in your heart. Sanctification gives you overcoming grace and keeps you in the Spirit under trial and when you get this sanctification then you are ready for the greatest gift God ever gave to man, the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire

The narrow way—As God was sanctifying a sister in San Francisco, she looked up and said, “Can’t you see that narrow path of gold? Can’t you see Jesus. The way is so narrow but it is wide enough for Jesus and me.” God shows the narrow path to His people that are entering into this wonderful highway of holiness, but He shows them that Christ will be there too. You do not have to take a step alone, not one step without God; for He is right there at every test, at every place where it requires faith. Your eyes may be holden, you may not see Him, but in a little while the light of His presence will shine through the darkness.

“The bride hath made herself ready.” You must make yourself ready to meet the Bridegroom. No one can do that for you. You must obey the Word and go and walk in the light as He is in the light. It means a preparation right up to the moment that Jesus comes and sounds
the trumpet. You cannot lay your armor down, you cannot settle back in carnal security. Paul the Apostle said, “I die daily”—“I press toward the mark”—“I keep my body under”—“That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death, if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.” He was pressing forward for the prize of the First Resurrection: and if Paul the Apostle had to strive in this manner, how can we expect to attain unto the First Resurrection without the same preparation?

“Jesus, that He might sanctify the people with His own Blood, suffered without the gate.” The blood of Jesus will take out the very root of sin, the uprising, and you will go through the world as sweet as heaven. They may smite you on the one cheek and on the other and take away your coat, but you will have the grace of God to give them your cloak also. You will not get out of the Spirit and get offended and grouchy when God sanctifies you. If you become touchy and hurt when you are opposed or reproved or when things do not go to suit you, you need to be sanctified. Sanctification gives you overcoming power, overcoming grace. You will smile through the trial. It will make you sweet when everything is going wrong. God will let you get through the furnace of affliction, the crucible, but you will know that the work has been done in your heart, that you are sanctified, made holy within.

The devil does not appear today as a roaring lion or with hoofs and horns, but as an angel of light to deceive the very elect of God if it were possible. Thank God, it is not possible. Paul said, “If an angel from Heaven bring any other Gospel than that ye have received, let him be accursed.” Today, there are false angels coming to bring another Gospel in the name of “New Light” and false doctrines, but God has a people that can never be moved.

BACKSLIDDED IN HEART

There are many people professing to be Christians today that are backslidden in heart, going on with an empty profession, believing they have something they do not possess. God wants you to get ready to meet Jesus. He wants to give you life, you who have been cut off from the true vine, you that have lost the “first love” out of your heart.

Do not live on what God did for you seven years ago. If you haven’t the experience today, what does it profit? It is not what God did for you years back, but it is what you have in your soul today that counts with God.

These are the last days and we know that Christ will soon appear in the clouds. Oh that souls may be ready to meet Jesus, that they may examine their hearts and go down before God and say, “Lord, search me, try the reins of my heart, and see if there be any wicked way in me.” The heart is deceitful above all things; but if we bare our breast to God and uncover and confess out our life, the Blood will remove every spot.

Some say, “I do not have any emotions in my heart as I used to, when I pray, I do not shed a tear, I do not get any answer to my prayer.” There is something wrong. Does not God say, “Ask and ye shall receive?” Does He not say, “Seek and ye shall find?” What are you going to do about these things? A heart that is broken and contrite before God will cry out to Him, and the moment you touch God, grace and peace and blessing come down upon your soul. And that grace and blessing is a demonstration of the power of God in your life day by day. God is always manifesting Himself to His children. There is something awfully wrong with you if you cannot talk to God and get an answer.

Jesus said, “If ye abide in Me and my Words abide in you, ye shall ask what you will and it shall be done unto you.” That is the confidence that comes into the heart of those that abide in
Christ, keeping His commandments, walking in the Spirit. You can ask what you will and it shall come to pass. If you abide in Him and His words abide in you, He will grant you the desires of your heart.

A child of God has no backbiting, no hatred, no enmity in their heart toward another. “He that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?” I John 4:20. If you love not your brother, how dwelleth the love of God in you? Divine love will bear with your brother, pray for your brother or sister, willing to suffer anything rather than hurt them in the eyes of another. Jesus said, “By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another.” Divine love will suffer long and be kind. It will reprove and rebuke with all longsuffering and doctrine when a brother or sister is out of the word; but it will not get bitter or harsh towards them.

The Blood of Jesus removes all double dealing, malice, backbiting, murmuring and criticizing out of your heart. If you find these things in your heart and life, you will know there is something radically wrong with you, and you are backslidden from God.

It is as impossible for a backslidden soul to bring forth fruit of righteousness as it is for a bitter spring to give forth sweet water. God is looking not on the outward appearance today but on the heart. He is searching the hearts of men and women. And when Jesus comes to take away His Bride, there are many that will see their heart as never before, and will know then what has kept them from making the Rapture.

God begins at the very heart to purify. A soul filled with the Spirit gives out a sweetness like frankincense and myrrh. On the other hand, one with a depraved and impure heart has an atmosphere about them that is repulsive to the Spirit of God. Their presence brings a cloud. It is the Spirit of God that so changes and purifies the heart and puts within it His own likeness and image that out of that soul proceeds blessings, holiness and virtue. It is like Heaven to be in their presence and come in contact with them.

“The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked, who can know it?” The answer comes back, “I, the Lord search the heart, I try the reins.” If you ever needed to pray for God to search your heart it is today. If you ever needed to line up to the whole Word, you are living in those days. What an awful thing it would be if this very night the trumpet should sound, the dead in Christ should rise first, and those that remain that are walking with God as Enoch did, should be caught up to meet the Lord; and you were left to go through the Tribulation. What an awful thing it would be to that soul to be left behind! God wants us to examine our hearts in these days.

Prayer avails. God wants His people to prevail in prayer for the lost and perishing. When the church prevails, souls are born into the Kingdom. Prayer has made this Mission what it is today. Before the workers go out on the street, you will hear their voices go up from the prayer room of the Mission. Prayer is the preparation for the work of rescuing souls.

Fanaticism. This work does not stand for wild-fire and fanaticism, such as dancing, tearing around, jerking and twisting and going through strange and wild maneuvers. We stand for the power that heals the sick, that casts out devils, that brings souls under deep conviction for sin and draws sinners to Christ, the real power of God, the real manifestation of the Spirit.

It may be a small thing that hinders God working in the soul. Something wrong in your life, a brother unforgiven, a hardness of heart toward anyone, a feeling of offense because you have been slighted or injured, a criticism in the heart. You will never find favor with God until you have removed that out of your heart and life.
THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Do you know whether your next door neighbor is a widow or in need? Are you living this religion? Christ is coming soon. Are you heaping up riches, laying up money for a rainy day? Oh, if people only knew the value of money spent for God.

How about visiting the widows and fatherless in their affliction, the sick in hospitals, going to the prisons and carrying comfort to those behind the bars? Christ requires you to live out His life. Beloved, let us not forget to do the little things as unto Him. If we see our brother have need and shut up our bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in us?

This is a practical salvation. We must have love for God and our fellow man. When we come up before the Judgment seat of Christ, He will say to those on His right hand, “Come ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you, for I was an hungered and ye gave Me meat, I was thirsty and ye gave Me drink, I was a stranger and ye took Me in, naked and ye clothed Me, I was sick and ye visited Me, I was in prison and ye came unto Me.”

The Spirit of God is to love thy neighbor as thyself, and the more of the Spirit we have, the more divine love. When Pentecost fell, it put such a wonderful love in the hearts of people that they did not need to be urged to give. They had all things common, none of them said that ought of the things he possessed was his own. No soul is going to go up with Jesus but those that have the “all things common” spirit. You cannot have a miserly spirit and have the Spirit of Christ, the love of God.

“THEN SHALL BE GREAT TRIBULATION.”

The closing of the Gentile dispensation is right at our doors. God said through the prophet Isaiah, “Come, My people, enter thou into thy chambers and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.” Isa. 26:20. Jesus also spoke of famines, pestilences, earthquakes as signs of His coming. He prophesied of the Great Tribulation, saying, “Then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no nor ever shall be.” Matt. 24:21. Those days are just before us.

God is fulfilling His Word today, and it is only a little while till He is going to catch His people away and hide them till “the Indignation,” “the Great Tribulation” is past. (read Matthew 24:36-44. Also I Thes. 4:16, 17, where it speaks of the Rapture; and Rev. 19, of His return to earth to reign with His people.)

Many that claim to be ready to meet the Lord are not living as though they were ready. When God permitted this awful war and deluge of death and shedding of blood to be poured out in Europe, it seemed that surely the people of God would be driven to their knees, knowing that the prophecies of the Word of God were being fulfilled and they would live moment by moment ready for the Son of Man to come. And it did stir up many for the time being. But the Word is fulfilled today, “They all slumbered and slept.” Jesus said, “Watch, lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping.” We are living in the sleepy age, when people go to sleep right under the fulfillment of the Word of God before His coming. Jesus Christ is about to take His holy people away from this world.

God alone knows the outcome of this terrible war. But of this we may be certain, the Word of God will be fulfilled. The Book declares that the Anti-Christ will rise up in the last days and rule before Christ comes to reign. The Anti-Christ will perform signs and lying wonders, and will cause all men to worship him as god, except those whose names are written in the Book of Life.
Awful sin is raging in this world, but it can only go as far as God permits while the Bride of Christ is in the world. (Read II Thes. 2:7, 9.) The Bride will be taken out of the world before that “wicked one” the Anti-Christ is revealed.

We know that the Bride of Christ will escape the Great Tribulation. Does the Bride of Christ comprise the whole church of God? It does not, it comprises the full overcomers. “Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the First Resurrection.” Those are the ones who are going to sit down at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. There will be those that will be left behind like the foolish virgins, slothful, surfeiting and failing or neglecting to walk in all the light. They will be here when the Anti-Christ rules the world, and if they do not worship him they will be beheaded for Christ’s sake. Read Rev. 13:15.

The “Indignation” is coming, but the elect of God, the full overcomers will be caught away to meet the Lord in the air. When God destroyed the world by water in the days of old, we read that Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord and he and his family were saved. You today that want to escape the Tribulation that is soon coming must certainly pay the price to escape it. You must be like the man that sold all he had and bought the field containing the hidden treasure. There is something for you to do in order to be ready to meet the Lord. Many are willing to pay a part of the price, others will pay half, but you must pay all the price and walk in all God’s Word or you will never be able to make the rapture and go up when Jesus comes.

To those that are waiting for the appearing of their Lord, Jesus gives the command, “Occupy until I come.”

We are to occupy till He comes and still look for Him hour by hour. It is as much a command to occupy and be found doing His will, as it is to watch. It does not mean to stop your work and prepare to meet the Lord. You can go on with your work, your business, your household duties, but you will say, “If Jesus tarries we will do this or that.” If He does not come we will go right on as though He were coming and yet be ready moment by moment for His appearing. God has given us a commission to be co-workers with Jesus Christ. How long? Until He comes.

IN THE LAST DAYS

The coming Tribulation is casting its dark shadows over the earth. It is time for God’s people to get ready to meet Him, with lamps trimmed and burning and vessels filled with oil, for the time is near when He is coming for His spotless bride. It will mean much to be accounted worthy to escape the things that are coming on the earth.

“As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the coming of the Son of Man.” These are the words of Jesus Christ. Covetousness is not the only sin, the lust of the flesh, the pride of life, the heart of man is deceitful and desperately wicked. It is the same as in the days of Noah. God repented that He had made man on earth, and said, “My Spirit shall not always strive with man.” He said it in the days of Noah and He says it of these last days.

The Anti-Christ will not be revealed until the Spirit and the bride shall be taken out of the way. Read II Thes. 2:7-8. The mystery of iniquity is already at work in these awful days when the powers of the darkness and sin are raging on every hand. The Spirit of the living God is still hovering over the earth. The Spirit and the bride have not been taken out of the way. Wars and famines and pestilences are in the world today, yet the Spirit and the bride are here. What will it be when the bride is taken out of the world: when the powers of the enemy are given full sway and the [Anti-Christ], the man of sin, will rule in this world?
The Tribulation, spoken of by our Lord in Matt. 24:21 and Mark 13:19, will be a time of trouble such as was not since the foundation of the world nor ever shall be. For there shall be none other like it. Dan. 12:1. The full overcomers, those that shall have part in the First Resurrection, shall not pass through the Great Tribulation, but shall be caught away to meet the Lord in the air. Read I Thess. 4:16-17, Matt. 24:40-42, and Isa. 26:20. We that are overcomers shall escape those things that are coming on the earth and stand before the Son of Man, Luke 21:36.

THE GREAT PHYSICIAN

Have you taken Christ as your Physician? There are many sickly and going to the physicians and finding no relief. Physicians are not for God's people. Jesus Christ is the Physician for His people. Medicines and herbs were used by the Egyptians of old, but God said to His people, "I am the Lord that healeth thee." Let the world use medicine if they will, but you put God to the test and He will heal your body. The remedy for the saints of God you will find in James 5:14.

Jesus stretched forth his hand and touched the leper, saying, "I will, be thou clean." Would you like to hear the loving voice of Jesus speaking healing to your sick and diseased body? The enemy will say it is not for you, but the Word says, "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Matt 8:17. Have you not the right to come to your Father when He says, "I am the Lord that healeth thee?" And the Scriptures cannot be broken.

To the sick. Christ bore your diseases. When He was nailed to the tree and lifted up and became a curse for us as the serpent in the wilderness. He not only bore our sins but our diseases. "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Matt 8:17. Healing for our bodies was purchased through the offering of Jesus Christ. He wants you to accept the atonement for the healing of your body. "With His stripes we are healed." If you accept Christ for the salvation of your soul, why not for the healing of your body also? He purchased it with His own Blood. He is healing hundreds of others today.

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If you have sin in your heart or life, you need salvation. Many think they are Christians if they simply believe that Jesus is the Christ. His Word speaks plainer than that. He says, “He that committeth sin is of the devil.” If this salvation did not bring deliverance from sin, it would not be the salvation of Jesus Christ. When you are saved, the love of the World goes out and the love of Jesus Christ comes in. You know you have passed from death unto life. You know you are born of God. “He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself.” If you are hoping you are a Christian and want to know that your name is written in Heaven, you can know. “The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God.”

Are you depending on church membership to get to Heaven?

You may say, “I never bore false witness or robbed my neighbor.” Perhaps you did not, but God declares that “All have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” The sinner is dead in trespasses and in sins, a putrefying sore from the crown of the head to the sole of the feet. That is the picture God draws of a sinner. The respectable sinner, the refined sinner, the sinning church member needs salvation just as much as the drunkard and thief.

Men try to get salvation by climbing up some other way, climbing up on the mere statement that they believe that Jesus Christ was the Son of God. That is not sufficient. We must have that saving faith in our soul that will bring the witness in our heart. We must have the power to live without sin and cause us to keep the commandments of Jesus Christ with out wavering. Saving faith embraces obedience to all God’s commands. (John 3:5, John 9:35-39, John 3:11.)

Do you fear you have committed the unpardonable sin?

If you still long to be saved and to be a child of God, there is surely hope for you. The very fact that you want to seek God and obtain pardon proves that the Spirit is still striving with you. He never strives with a soul unless there is hope for them. “Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely”—these are the words of Jesus to every hungry and thirsty soul. If there is hunger in your soul for God, you may be sure you have not committed the unpardonable sin, because Jesus said, “No man can come to Me except the Father which hath sent Me, draw him.” The Spirit is drawing you and talking to you, that you might come to Jesus and be saved. If you have committed that awful sin, the Spirit would have forever taken His flight, and you would have no desire to come to Jesus. Those that have gone beyond the place where the Spirit of God pleads with them will have no desire to repent. But if they will repent, every soul can find

Do you use tobacco and call yourself a Christian?
A person that God saves will never use tobacco. One that uses tobacco is a sinner. Do not think you can use tobacco and be a child of God. More than a hundred people in this Mission can testify that as soon as they were saved, the desire for tobacco and snuff completely left them. They were instantly delivered. If it did not stop with you, you did not get saved. Every one that gets salvation has the same results. Do not profess to be saved while you are a slave to tobacco, snuff or any other evil habits. Search the Word. He says, Be ye holy for I am holy. “If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy.”

Do you wear gold or immodest dress and call yourself a Christian?
Read I Timothy 2:9 and I Peter 3:3. God through the apostles tells us to put off the wearing of gold and immodest dress. “Be not conformed to this world.” God does not want His people to look like the world, to pattern after the world, but after the Word of God. It is a shame to look upon the women walking the streets today with their immodest and indecent dress. If you love the world, the pride of life and the riches of this world, the love of the Father is not in you.

When you get right with God, you will be glad to get rid of the pride and indecent fashions of the world. You ought not to have to be told to take off immodest dress, jewelry and feathers and flowers. When you are born again, you become a new creature, old things have passed away. How is it that you claim to be born again and are yet craving the things of the world?

When God saved our souls, the finery of this world, the old feathers and flowers, the chains and finger rings went and no one had to tell us to take them off, but the Spirit of God in our hearts took out the love of the world, and we could not wear them any more. If you cling to those things, there is something desperately wrong with you.

Do you base your salvation on Christian Science?
Christian Science does not accept the Blood of Atonement of Jesus for sin. Any religion that rejects the Blood of Jesus Christ is a false religion and a delusion. See II Timothy 6:20. The devil and all his emissaries are working to concoct false religions to allure souls from the Christ of Calvary, to get their attention off from the rugged truth. The Blood of Jesus Christ is the only hope and salvation of the lost world.

The Spirit spoke expressly that “In the last days perilous times shall come.” If there ever was a time when that Scripture was fulfilled it is today. People are listening to Mrs. Eddy’s teachings, to New Thought and higher criticism. Many are dissatisfied with their life of sin. The churches have so far side-tracked from the old time religion, that people are searching for something else; and every little while you will find something new just hatched out of the pit, and they generally have a following. It is the spirit of the last days.

Is there any Scripture in the New Testament that gives people a right to be divorced and remarry?
Not one. There is one case for separation, fornication. (Matt 5:22 and 19:9.) But none for divorcement and remarriage. Jesus said, “What God hath joined together let no man put asunder.” The plain teaching of the Word is that marriage is binding for life. Read Mark 10:2-12, Luke 16:18, Romans 7:2, 3, I Cor. 7:10, 11, 39.

Is it sin to give away to anger?
Yes, it is a sin to get angry. When you are born of God, you will have power over the enemy, you will resist the devil. “Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world.” “To whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are.” When you are saved, no matter what the test is, you will not get angry. There may be uprisings and impatience in your heart when you are saved, before you are sanctified, but you will not get angry if you are born again, if you are a child of God. As soon as you are saved, you should seek at once for sanctification; because at sanctification the uprisings and impatience will be destroyed out of your heart and life, and you will have the victory, both outward and inward victory.

Will the wicked be annihilated?

No. God says there is an eternal burning hell. Do not try to smooth it over. It is not what man says, it is what God says. “These shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal.” Matt. 25:46. The same Word that describes the duration of Heaven describes the duration of the punishment of the wicked. If the saved are to rejoice in eternal life, those who are lost will suffer eternal punishment by the same Word. Jesus declares there is a hell burning with fire and brimstone, “where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched.” Mark 9:44, 46, 48. God declares that there is a lake of fire burning with brimstone, “And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and ever.” Rev. 14:11. If a man dies in sin unrepented, that is his doom. There is no annihilation of the wicked in the Word of God.

Are Sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost one and the same experience?

No. Sanctification cleanses the heart from inbred sin and perfects it in the graces of the Spirit, but the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is the gift of power upon the clean, sanctified life. It gives you power to lay hands on the sick and they shall recover, to pray for cigarette fiends and drunkards and drug fiends and to rebuke the devil, and he goes out instantly, and many are delivered. They are saved and have no desire to smoke and drink any more. It is power for service, for witnessing and for soul winning. It gives you power to do the work Jesus calls you to do. The same manifestations of the Spirit will follow as they followed on the day of Pentecost; and you will speak in other languages as the Spirit gives utterance; and you will have power to witness, the mighty power of God on your life.

Can people backslide or fall from grace?

Yes, it is possible to backslide. Jesus said, “No man is able to pluck them out of My Father’s hand;” but you can get out of His hand of your own will if you choose to do so, by refusing to walk in the light. Transgression of the law is sin, and when you disobey God, the incorruptible seed of the Word of God leaves your soul. God put it in your heart when you believe, and you could not sin as long as it remained in you. (See I John 3:9.) But if you turn your back to God, His Spirit will leave you. Then the devil comes in and the last state is worse than the first, like a dog that returns to its vomit and the sow to its wallowing in the mire. But God will save you if you will return to Him with all your heart.

“The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression; as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his righteousness in the day that he sinneth.” Ezekiel 33:12.

How is the work of these Missions conducted?

There is no organization, no membership roll. The Word of God, and the whole Word, is our only guide. No one can join. These that are truly born of God are one in spirit and that oneness
and unity far exceeds in power any organization on earth. God appoints His own overseers and ministry and anoints them to preach the Gospel. No one is ever asked to preach. Sermons are not studied or prepared, but are given by inspiration. Singing, prayer and testimony are under the anointing of the Spirit. There is a short business meeting preceding the ordinance service, in which any necessary business is brought before those who worship together in the Mission. No backslider or unclean person is allowed to remain in business meeting or testify in the Mission. All the members of the body are one in doctrine, one in heart, and perfect unity prevails. The financial part of the work is considered of least importance, and the salvation of souls of greatest importance. The expenses are paid simply from offerings placed in a small box near the door.
THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

Have Miracles Ceased?

Many say that the day of miracles is past, and that God does not heal people any more as He once did. But the Bible says the Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. And God prophesied through Malachi, “I am the Lord, I change not.” We are seeing Him perform miracles of healing today in the lives of men and women.

A man came to the Mission, and while sitting listening to the testimonies, was delivered from both tobacco and drink, and two weeks afterwards was saved. He was over in eastern Oregon and a man told him that his daughter had been frightened in an automobile accident and the fright had caused her to lose her voice. They tried the physician, then turned to Christian Science, and they all failed. When he heard about God healing the sick in Portland, he wanted to bring his daughter to the Mission. So the brother told him he was coming to Portland and would put in a request for prayer for her. And the next morning she talked as plainly as she ever did. God is doing miracles in answer to prayer, through the requests sent in here. No matter how hard and terrible the diseases may be, God can do what no earthly physician can.

Raised from a death bed.

A secular paper published the following testimony of a man that was miraculously healed:

“I was as low as I well could be with dropsy. I was taken with stomach and bowel trouble the ninth of October, 1914. I was confined to my bed from the very start. Dropsy then set in. A doctor treated me from the start, but I grew worse and worse. I became entirely helpless, so much so that they had to give me water from a spoon. I could not move myself only as someone would move me. I thought my time had come. It seemed to me that I could live but a few days. On the 26th day of December, a brother came to see me and brought me a message. He told me that the Lord would raise me up, that we had a right to ask the Lord to heal me. For Christ said, ‘If ye abide in Me and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you.’ He then quoted a part of the 16th chapter of Mark and the 5th chapter of James. And then we united our faith for my healing and the Lord wonderfully healed my body and blest my soul.

“On the first day of the year, the brother came back with two of the neighbors. They anointed me with oil in the name of the Lord. Praise God, He gave me such an anointing as I had not received before. Now I feel like shouting and praising God all the time. The brother wrote to the Apostolic Mission in Portland asking them to pray for me. They anointed a handkerchief and prayed for me and sent the handkerchief but I was healed before the handkerchief reached me. Praise His name, He spared my life that I may witness for Jesus.”

Eyes Healed.

A boy of about ten years of age was brought to the Mission in Portland by his father that he might be healed. His eyes were weak and he had to wear glasses and had chronic catarrh. He could not breath through his nose. The father was a sinner but had heard what God was doing in healing the sick. The child was instantly healed, and that night he was sleeping so quietly that his mother went to his bed and found him breathing through his nose. The next day at school the teacher inquired why he did not wear his glasses. He told her that he did not need them now. She asked why. He said he had been to the Mission last night and God had healed him.
Remarkable miracles of healing

Two remarkable miracles of healing have occurred in connection with the wonderful revival in San Francisco. A man and wife came to the Mission, who had traveled all over the civilized world and were then touring in their auto from Lincoln, Nebraska. He had an affliction from which no doctor could heal him. He had frozen his left hip and limb in Alaska years before and had tried doctors all over the world. He had had the best physicians in England, Canada, United States and other countries. All failed him. He had been operated on. They injected serum into his back and arms eight times in Los Angels, and he said it was like water on a duck’s back. The doctors told him he would have to wear a rubber stocking all his life. If he took it off and walked a short distance his limb would swell terribly. He came to the altar seeking salvation and was wonderfully saved. He said he had been in the largest churches and heard the great evangelists, but they had no effect on him whatever. He had refused God for sixty years. He heard the street meeting and said, “That is what I want.” He got it. He was prayed for and took off the elastic stocking and threw it away, and runs about like a boy of ten years. He is gloriously saved and healed and testifies to what God has done for him.

A woman who had spots on her eyes ever since she was a baby and wore glasses, came and was saved. Afterwards as she was at the altar seeking more of God, she held her glasses in her hand. All at once she began to rub her eyes and blink, and said, “Oh, those spots are gone from my eyes, I have had them since I was a baby.” It was wonderful. She said, “I won’t have any more use for these glasses.” It was a real miracle. God is putting His seal of approval on the work in that wicked city.

This same sister had been operated upon for appendicitis. It had left a lump the size of an egg, which did not heal. The doctors all said her case never could be touched, except through an operation. God healed her in the Mission, and gave her a vision of Jesus at the same time. And there is nothing left but a smooth scar where the lump was.

“He is our Physician.”

“When my little child was dying, at the very point of death with that awful disease of pneumonia, the prayer of faith reached the God of Heaven. The child was white as a sheet and could scarcely breath, and just in a moment of time, God healed my baby. He is as sound as a child could be. It left no weakness in his body, but God made him well in the twinkling of an eye. That is not the only case God has healed in my home. There has not been a drop of medicine in my home in nine years, and God has healed us of diphtheria, inflammatory rheumatism and every sickness. He is our Physician. Not an application to help any disease has been used. He has power to do it in every life.”—Portland, Oregon.

The healing virtue of Jesus Christ, the power of God, is present to heal the sick and afflicted today. A woman in Portland that had a crippled foot was healed and her limb lengthened in one night, also healed of cancer. Some were almost blind and God restored their sight. Some that were dying with consumption were healed. This is not Christian Science, but the healing virtue in the Blood of Jesus Christ that is the same today. The prayer of faith is healing the sick as in days of old. It is not for us alone but for whosoever will.

Cases of wonderful healing

Letters are coming every day to this Mission, telling of cases of wonderful healing through faith in God. Not a day passes but that healings are wrought. Handkerchiefs are sent to be
anointed and prayed over for the healing of the sick, according to Acts 19:12. Many are healed of their diseases.

A lady in Moores Creek, Ky., wrote, “I had something like paralysis the matter with my face, and my mouth was drawn in one side. I did not do anything for it but trusted the Lord and wrote you all about it. Before I received the answer back from you, I was so nearly well that you could not have told there was anything wrong with my face.—Moores Creek, Ky.

“I received the handkerchief. That same night little Johnnie and myself prayed, laying the handkerchief on his little weak, bent-over back. And glory to God, he got better right away. He was so weak in his back and legs at the time I wrote you, that he had to be helped to bed at night. But today he is at school. Some friends came to see me and said, ‘I thought you had a little crippled boy.’ But little Johnnie was as straight as the other child. Oh, how wonderful, how merciful, how good is our Heavenly Father.”—Tusey, Okla.

“About six months ago, I sent a handkerchief to your Mission for you to pray over for deafness in my right ear. It was anointed and prayed over, and when I received it, we laid it on my ear and prayed. And I could feel my ear opening up. In a few moments I could hear the clock tick in that ear that had been deaf for years. How I praise God for it. Husband and I have taken the Lord for our Healer for six years. We are both saved, sanctified and have the abiding Comforter this morning.”—Winslow, Ark.

“I feel like praising God this morning for the healing of my eyes. When I wrote for prayer, I could scarcely read even with glasses. I received a handkerchief from the dear saints in Portland which was prayed over and anointed in the name of the Lord. When I received it, the mighty power of God came upon me. I laid it on my eyes in the name of Jesus, and I praise His dear name, He made me to see.”—East Chattanooga, Tenn.

“I have been a slave to morphine twenty-five years, and in spite of all the power I had within myself, it grew on me to five grains a day and nearly cause me to take my life. The Lord spoke to me to try this remedy and I did. When I applied the handkerchief that you prayed over, I felt God’s power go over me; and thank God, He took all taste for the awful poison from me, and now I am doing my work. What a power in the Blood of Christ!”—Miami, Okla.

“Not quite a year ago, I wrote you about my little boy who had a growth on his breast bone. The doctors said it was a tumor. It had been there ever since he was born. They said it would have to be cut out. But praise God, through the prayers in Jesus’ name, it is healed. Glory to God. When we got the letter from you, my little boy three years old took the letter, put it on his breast and prayed till he went to sleep. And in about a week the growth came to the outside, opened and matter came out and the growth went away. Glory to God! He has the power to heal and cleanse from all sin.”—Pomona, Ill.

CHLIDREN’S MEETINGS

There have been wonderful children’s meetings in Portland. One Saturday afternoon at the children’s meeting, about fifty children pressed forward to the altar, some weeping and crying their hearts out to God.

A number were saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. After the meeting was over, several little girls were standing with their arms about each other, praising God with those that had been saved and sanctified; and the power fell and a number received the baptism as they were standing and some sitting by. It was like Heaven.
Her sister was sanctified one night, and the next week at school she saw a vision of Jesus and of His Blood flowing, and she went down in the basement and prayed. There are eleven children in that family. They knew nothing about the Mission, until the mother came in from the country one day and the Lord led her right to the Mission. The father and mother are both saved and sanctified and baptized with the Spirit.

“Is this the people John Rockefeller is backing up?” asked a policeman of the Mission people in a certain city. They replied, “No, this is the people God Almighty is backing.” We do not have to spend our time drumming on money, taking collections and preaching money out of people’s pockets. We are serving the mighty God of all the earth. He led the people of Israel out of the wilderness, He notes the sparrow’s fall. He takes care of His own children. He takes care of this work, and no one has ever heard these people asking for money or seen them taking a collection.

WITNESSES OF THE POWER OF GOD
In Seattle and Tacoma Missions.

Two Russian men came to the Mission. They could not speak much English, but God drew them by His Spirit. They came to the altar and were saved.

Two young women were saved, sisters, one 17 the other 19. One of them was a very proud, rebellious girl and had once fought this Gospel. God wonderfully saved them both and later sanctified and baptized them with the Holy Ghost.

A Laplander saved. A Laplander who had been in Alaska for the past 18 years heard these people on the street corner, and came up into the hall and was saved. He threw his old pipe away. In a couple of days he asked to be baptized in water because he had to return to Alaska, so they baptized him in the Sound, and he said it was glory to his soul. He left the Mission for Alaska with the very glow of Heaven on his face.—Seattle.

A Cigarette fiend saved. I want to praise God for a wonderful salvation. I have been an unbeliever for years. Now I thank Him for showing me the way of the cross. I had been a cigarette smoker for 23 years, smoking day and night. But the day after I got saved, the desire for them had left me. Oh, how I praise His holy name. The happiness I am experiencing these days is beyond description.

A Locomotive Engineer was under deep conviction, standing at the street meeting night after night. He was down to his last five cents, without work and without hope, and was on the verge of committing suicide. He came several times to the altar, and then decided to leave town in search of work. He got a short distance, but God brought him back, and that night he returned to the altar and was wonderfully saved. The day following he got work.—Seattle.

Walked the streets all night. A Norwegian man was so under conviction he walked the street all night until break of day. He said something must take place in his life or he could not live. He heard the Mission people on the street and came up to the hall and was wonderfully saved. He said that for ten years he had not been near a religious meeting. He came back and brought his wife to the Mission, and they were both rejoicing in the old time religion.—Seattle.

Inflammatory Rheumatism healed. A woman was working for a wealthy family when she became helpless with inflammatory rheumatism, and they hurried her off to a private hospital where the best of medical aid was given but did her no good. So they brought her to a home of one of the sisters of the Mission, and God wonderfully healed her and saved her and sanctified her and later baptized her with the Holy Ghost and fire. She is one of a number of precious colored people in the Mission.—Seattle.
A whole family saved. A man who had been a member of the Catholic church and other churches for 35 years, without finding salvation, got on his knees at the feet of Jesus and cried for mercy and was saved and later sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. He was also instantly healed of blood poison. His wife was saved two days afterwards and his daughter, a worldly girl who sang in the Episcopalian choir was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. And almost every night you find this happy family at the Mission rejoicing in this wonderful Gospel.—Seattle.

Bound for 40 years. “I thank God the Blood of Jesus Christ can make the vilest clean. For forty years, I tried everything and every way to break away from tobacco and liquor. I joined churches, signed cards and made resolutions, joined five lodges; but that did not have the desired effect. I traveled from ocean to ocean several times, trying to find something to satisfy. At last I humbled myself to bow my proud head and bend my stubborn knees, and told God I was willing to turn my back on all my sins and follow Him if He would only take the dreadful desire out of me. And the things I once craved and loved went out of my mind and heart. I owe it all to the precious Blood of Jesus.—Seattle.

A tramp saved. I disgraced my people and had to leave my home, and for twenty years, I had been going the downward road till I became an outcast, a tramp and a bum. Drink had me bound hand and foot. I had no will power at all. Every time I would have a dollar, it would go over the bar, and I would stay drunk as long as I had a cent or could beg one. I had given up hope and thought I would have to die and go to hell. But on the streets of Seattle I heard a band of Mission people telling what God had done for them. The drunkard told how God had broken the old appetite of whiskey and all sin. I came to God with a broken and contrite heart, and promised Him if He would forgive my sins and take the bad habits and appetites from me, I would give Him my whole life; and thank God, He hears my prayer, and in one moment, the old sin rolled away and He gave me the first peace and joy I ever had in my whole life. Thank God, He ever redeemed a man like me.—Seattle.

I had worn glasses for seven years, but four years ago these people prayed for my eyes and God healed me, and I haven’t had to wear my glasses since. I had a goiter on my neck, but God has healed it, and I give Him all the praise. I used to love the pleasures of this world, but I am a witness that Jesus can satisfy the young people.—Tacoma.

I was down deep in sin, a fallen girl, before I was twenty. I went to the theatres and grill rooms. But about three years ago, God put such conviction on my soul that I got down in my own room and prayed, “God be merciful to me a sinner,” and Jesus saved me. At the camp meeting in Portland I heard this wonderful Gospel. Then He sanctified me and later baptized me. He heals my body. Health had gone, to pay the price of sin, but God healed me, and when I am sick these days I call on Him and He hears.—Tacoma.

I was a drunken moulder, but God saved even me and made a man of me. I belonged to the church, and tried to do better; but one day when I was on my knees in the foundry, making a mould, God heard the cry in my heart, and right there He saved my soul. One day when I was working, a piece of hot steel flew in my eye. The doctor said I would probably lose the sight of that eye. I suffered such terrible pain that I could hardly stand it. But some of these people prayed, and instantly the pain ceased, and I can see out of that eye as well as the other.—Tacoma.

I was a horse-thief. I roamed the range for years and use the rope and branding iron. Led a wild and reckless life. Many a time when I face the prison bars, I would call on God, while still a sinner, and God would deliver me. But about ten years ago, I came to Tacoma for a change of
life. I went into a little mission hall and heard the story of Jesus that had power to deliver from the powers of sin. I cried out to God and He saved me. When the states of Montana and Canada demanded me, I put my case in the Lord’s hands, and Jesus pleaded my case for me, and the Governor of the State of Washington refused to turn me over. I have found Jesus a friend indeed.—Tacoma.

I used to curse and drink and gamble, would sit all night at the gambling table. My wife had been a Christian for years, and I persecuted her. I used to break up the furniture in our own home. But almost two years ago, God saved my soul. He took out the cursing and the gambling and He gives me the victory. I work in the logging camps among all kinds of men, but God keeps me with the victory in my soul. I had a cancer over my right ear. My wife wanted to pray for it, but I was a sinner and wouldn’t let her. But one day, unbeknown to me, she prayed, and two or three days after, she asked me how my cancer was. I put my hand up to my head, and the cancer was gone. God healed it.—Tacoma.

Saved on the way to work. I was a church member nearly all my life, but I knew the places of vice and sin. I had habits fastened to my life that I couldn’t break. I tried Christian Science, but I didn’t find the thing there that my heart was after. But when I came to this Mission, they told me, “Ye must be born again.” I had been praying and reading my Bible, and for eight days I sought God at this altar; and one morning, as I was going to my work over on the Tacoma tide-flats, God saved my soul. I was born again. You don’t have to tell me when the work was done. It isn’t just a think-so. It’s a real know-so salvation that saves from sin. And He sanctified me, and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire.—Tacoma.

The Tacoma and Seattle Missions recently united in a baptismal service at Seattle. The Tacoma Mission people came over to Seattle. Two Gospel Autos brought over some of the saints, others came on the street cars. Between fifty and sixty converts were baptized in the Sound. It was a wonderful service, the presence of God came on many as they came out of the water; a number of children were baptized too and it was precious to see them.

In the Vancouver Mission, many sinners are seeking God. Several Russians have been saved and a Polish man. Also a man rescued from the wreck of the Titanic, a gambling shark, has been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. He is one of the nine men that were in the icy waters three and a half hours after the Titanic sank.

Power in the Blood to save a drunkard—I tried many times to quit the awful habit of drink in my own power, but I remained a drunkard, helpless and lost. I was also a tobacco fiend and a lover of all the world’s pleasures. I could not give them up. I found I was powerless, the devil had me bound securely. But I thank God He led me to a little humble home used for a mission. I went down before God and cried out to Him for mercy. Then the burden of sin rolled away, and I was free. Afterwards He sanctified me wholly and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire.—Mt. Sterling, Ky.

All secret orders and unions, with their oath-bound secrets, are agents and forerunners of the Anti-Christ. All of God’s people should come out from among such and keep separate from them, as you value your soul. Read II Cor. 6:14-18.

“He will gather His wheat into the garner but He will burn the chaff with unquenchable fire.” God is warning men of a burning hell that never shall be quenched. Sinner, He pleads with you, that you might repent and believe on the Son of God, that you might have eternal life.
The sermons and testimonies in this paper were mostly reported in shorthand as they were being given in the Mission

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Prayer Answered

Multitudes of the sick all over the world have been healed through the prayer and through handkerchiefs which they have sent to be anointed, as in Acts 19:11, 12. Many have been saved from the surgeon’s knife. They are taking the Great Physician for their healer and go to doctors no more. It is not Christian Science, but the old-time Bible healing through faith in God.

I took my little girl to your Mission in Portland and they prayed for her for consumption, and she was healed at once. Praise the dear Lord. She has never had a return of it.—La Grande, Ore.

I wrote to you some time ago for you to pray for me for the healing of a broken rib. And when I received your letter, I looked up to the Lord and asked Him to heal me, and I was healed and have never felt anything of it since.—Lake George, N. Y.

The handkerchief you all prayed over and anointed according to the Word of God, came and I thank God for the healing power. The cancer on my mouth is gone. The Lord wonderfully healed it. I have taken God for my physician. He is all I need.—Carnesville, Ga.

A brother called for us to pray for his two-year-old child that had been sick for eleven months with kidney trouble. So we laid one of the papers on the child, and prayed the Lord to heal the child, and in about ten minutes it was marvelously healed and is now in good health.—Pawnee, Okla.

About two and a half years ago, I wrote to you asking for prayers for my husband who was a drunkard. He gave up drinking entirely and has never wanted it since. I give God the praise. I will never cease thanking God, for I never expected to see him sober this side of the grave. He believes in prayer.—Van Dorn, Ala.

I wrote you to pray for the healing of my back, which was very weak. You anointed a handkerchief and sent it to me and put it on the afflicted part. I asked the Lord to honor your prayers for me, and looked to Him for the healing. It seemed like a great mystery, but God has completely healed me and I am now doing hard physical labor.—Hyatt, Tenn.

I had a child that was suffering with a bad sore throat, something like diphtheria. We laid the handkerchief on his neck and prayed and the child was instantly healed. We have used the handkerchief two or three times since, and God has done a wonderful work every time. I praise God for his mighty power.—Mt. Vernon, Ky.

The Lord healed my body through your prayers. I suffered with my lungs, and a sister gave me one of your papers. I saw the testimonies of others, how they were healed, and I placed the paper on my breast and the Lord healed me. I praise Him for it and testify to what He has done.—Jay, Okla.

Our little boy three years old was very sick with fever. We still have the handkerchief that we got from you for the healing of my back, and we placed it on our little boy and prayed the prayer of faith and he was healed. Bless the name of Jesus, for His mighty healing power. We know of a truth that He can heal.—Wapanucks, Okla.
When I received your letter, I was suffering intense pain, but as soon as I opened it and began to read, all of my pain left me. I could hardly read for shouting and praising God. My husband was with me and he was made to rejoice too. So we read the letter and shouted and praised God for his love and power. I am feeling better than I have in a year. I can work without pain. We are old people, sixty-eight and seventy years old, trying to live for God.—Bonneau, S. C.

The Lord touched my spine with His healing power. And bless His dear name, then He touched my soul with His divine love and healing also. Then He healed me of appendicitis with His mighty power. Bless His dear name. And how thankful and glad I am that He heard and answered the prayers of the saints for me.—White Oak, N. Mex.

On the nineteenth day of December, I was taken with a terrible kidney trouble, and my son went to get me a bottle of medicine. While he was gone, I thought of a paper I had. So I got it and put it on my back, and then went down on my knees and asked Jesus to take out that pain, and He did it. When my son came home with the medicine, I was doing my work. Oh, I do thank the good Lord for it.—Woods, Ore.

I received the anointed handkerchief over a year ago, and many are the healings that have taken place in laying on the handkerchief and looking to Jesus to answer. I was afraid my little girl had typhoid fever this summer, she seemed to have the symptoms. But I laid the handkerchief on her and Jesus wonderfully answered. There has been a terrible sore throat or diphtheria going around. Many children died and some of them had doctors. My little girl was taken with a bad sore throat and high fever, but I clung to God and bound the handkerchief around her neck. The next day she was able to walk five miles. The younger one was taken and she cried for the anointed handkerchief (or Jesus’ handkerchief, she calls it), and though she seemed sicker than the first, Jesus wonderfully delivered her. He also wonderfully healed my mother of typhoid fever.—Thayer, Mo.

In Port Angeles, Washington Mission, God is giving some wonderful meetings, some have been lately baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, sinners are saved and believers sanctified.

GOD’S BLESSING ON THE FINNISH PEOPLE

I thank you for the handkerchief you sent me. I am perfectly healed. The rheumatism has entirely gone and many other complaints. And a short time ago, I received the paper and put it on my neck. It was healed instantly glory hallelujah.—Sortavala, Finland.

About two months ago, I wrote to the Mission in Portland, asking for prayer and a handkerchief for a friend. He has not received it yet, but I believe he has been prayed for, for he was very low with consumption and at once was healed so completely that now he is working in a logging camp.—Kivennapa, Finland.

We have felt the healing power of God. I praise God that my wife’s eyes have been healed. I wrote to ask you for a handkerchief, but her eyes were healed before the handkerchief reached her, and I believe that they were healed at the time you were praying there.—Jyvaskyla, Finland.

I have a long time been longing to own one of the Apostolic Faith papers, for I had faith that with the paper I should receive the blessing. And at last I received it; and my faith was not in vain, for through the paper, the power of God went through my being, so that the turmoil and suffering vanished, and a deep peace filled my innermost being.—Wilpurl, Finland.

I too was healed through the Heavenly Doctor. A year ago my spine was injured by a serious fall. Two weeks I suffered terrible agony. Once down in my heart I heard a voice say, “Put the
Apostolic Faith paper around your spine.” I did that praying and believing. I woke up in the
night perfectly healed, praising Jesus at the top of my voice. Eternal praise to Him.—Porl,
Finland.

I have received the handkerchief letter from you. It was wonderful, when I took the letter
and felt the power of God. I started to praise God. I had heart trouble and it affected my
breathing; but I praise God, when I laid that blessed handkerchief on my breast, I felt such a
wonderful power of God over my body; at that moment my chest and breathing was cleared, and
I praise God for the healing. I never felt so happy before. I praise Jesus.—Niemi, Finland.

Thank you for sending the anointed handkerchief. Glad to let you know that God healed me
before I received the handkerchief my body was healed of rheumatism. I was covered with a
breaking out and was also healed of that. And when the handkerchief came, a sister was healed.
She had a sore foot, and could not walk across the floor. When she put that handkerchief on her
foot, she felt the power of God through her body and soul, healing her disease and suffering. A
brother was also healed of neuralgia. Praise God, He has filled my soul with the Holy Ghost and
fire.—Sortavalia, Finland.

Thank you for the papers. They came when I was on a sick bed and had been suffering
several days terribly, and at that time God’s healing power came to me. I put a paper on my
body, and the pain left instantly, and I arose from my bed. A neighbor woman came in and saw
what happened. She asked for one of these papers to take to her home, for she had a daughter
that was sick with consumption and had to give up school. That child had faith in the healing
power of God, and from that day on she has been walking around. Before that time she was not
able to be up.—Tohmajarvi, Finland.

A warning against false doctrine

I was led off in what is called “finished work” doctrine and lost victory. And last fall I got
down before the Lord and asked Him to show me what was the matter, for I knew that salvation
was peace and rest and joy in the Holy Ghost. The Spirit said, “Read Revelations 2.” It seemed
so good to hear His voice. I took my Testament and went out to an outhouse and began to read at
the second verse. “I know thy works and thy labor and thy patience, but thou hast left thy first
love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen and repent.”

I could not see where I had done it till He sent some workers here who stood strong for
sanctification as a second work of grace. Then I heard about departing from the faith and not
believing the Word as it had been taught; and the Spirit spoke to me and said, “And hath counted
the Blood of the covenant wherewith he was sanctified an unholy thing.” I spoke out what the
Holy Spirit had said. They said to me, “That is what you have done.”

I prayed. The message said, “Repent,” and I did repent and confessed before the Mission
and told them how the Lord had talked to me by His Spirit. I asked the Lord to forgive me and
put the sanctifying Blood on my heart and give me the Holy Ghost. And the Lord looked on me
and heard me pray and gave me what I asked for.

Before the Lord showed me my condition before Him, I spoke in tongues, but I knew I did
not have the anointing that I had at first. I could not help it, there was something about my breast
and throat that I could not control. I thought it was the Holy Ghost, but when I repented, I asked
the Lord to take away that thing and He did. And when the anointing came again, it was the
sweet, melted up joy and victory that only those that have received the Holy Ghost can tell the
sweetness. I pray this letter may help others to keep in the old paths, the Door of the sheepfold.
Many have gone after strangers.—Siloam Springs, Ark.
THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

Wondrously Transformed
AS IT IS TOLD AT FRONT AND BURNSIDE MISSION

A know-so salvation.—I want to praise God tonight for salvation that saved me from sin and keeps me from sin. Not a guess-so or a think-so, but a know-so. Why? Because I was dead in trespasses and sins, and tonight I have deliverance from sin. My wife had been a Christian almost ten years before I got saved, and she lived the life before me. I thought it was only for her and not for me. When she would read the Bible, I would go to sleep; and when she would pray, I would go outside and make all the noise I could, because I knew she was praying for me. But I met a people that preached the Word of God without money and without price. When I entered the door of the tabernacle where they were holding a campmeeting, I said, “This is the power of God unto salvation, but not for me, I have gone too far for God to reach my case.” When I went to go out, a brother said, “Are you a Christian or a sinner?” I tried to explain but he said, “You are either a Christian or a sinner on your way to hell.” He said, “You have the tobacco habit.” I said, “Yes, I love it better than my wife and family.” He said, “Let me cast it out of you.” I said, “If you can, please do.” They cast the devil out of me, and it was two weeks before I got salvation. And I never wanted that tobacco since.

A bricklayer’s testimony—I praise God for salvation that can sober up a drunken bricklayer and keep him sober. I did not know there was anything like a Heaven or a hell. My people professed religion, but I never saw them live without sin. I was a drunkard and a tobacco fiend. I spent every cent I had for drink, could not pay my room rent and my board bill. I lay down in the jungles with the old coffee can. I never had the money to buy a suit, I had to save my money for drink. I would go down south in the winter time and come up north in the summer time. My life was spent riding the box cars and sleeping in the jungles. One night I stopped on the corner of Third and Morrison streets. I had a bottle of old red-eye whiskey in my pocket. I heard these people hold a street meeting from a Gospel Auto. I heard four girls singing a song and it made the tears run down my face. I was staggering around the streets full of liquor. That song went right down into my soul. I was a miserable drunkard. I did not think God could save me, a drunken bricklayer. Then I heard another bricklayer get up and tell how God had saved his miserable drunken soul. I thought if He could save one bricklayer He could save another. I got down at the old pine bench in this Mission and cried to God to save my soul and take out the old tobacco and whiskey and the box car life, and I said, “O God, if you will take these out of my life, I will serve you. I felt the fire from the crown of my head to the sole of my feet, I was born again. He sobered me up and it has kept me ever since.

They sang:

“Marching on, marching on,
For Christ count everything but loss;
And to crown Him King, toil and sing,
‘Neath the banner of the Cross.”

Once a soldier under the stars and stripes.—I thank God tonight that I am enlisted under the banner of the Cross. I used to be enlisted under the stars and stripes of America, but that never
set my soul free. I bowed my knees and confessed my sins to God, with my clothes all ragged and face bloated from a life of debauchery. I know the life of sin, but I know the power of God to come into a man’s life and set him free. I thank God I heard the sound of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that told me Jesus Christ is real, that He could come down into my debauched, drunken life in Oakland, Calif. I heard the testimonies of Jesus Christ to save, and I sat shaking under the convicting power of God Almighty. I cried, “God, be merciful to me a sinner.” It was eight years ago, and I thank God for victory today over sin. They say a young man cannot live without sin with all his environments, but I can stand and say God gives me power over sin. He did it for me and He will do it for you.

**Once a preacher without salvation.** I praise God He ever put me in touch with this mighty Gospel. I was one of those persons that was calling “Lord, Lord,” and the Lord never knew me. I was brought up in one of those Presbyterian homes where I was trained to Christianity. I never knew what it was to have a real experience in my heart and life. As a boy I went around to see the preacher, and they took me by the hand and received me into the church, and I was supposed to be a Christian. I despised a hypocrite and I did not want to be one, so I started out to try to live the life. But I soon found out there was sin in my life that I did not have the victory over. I praise God there is something more than morality; there is a real salvation that cleans a man up and makes his life what it ought to be. I never knew what it was to have a supernatural power in my life. But I came to Portland, and heard a band of young men on the street tell the most wonderful story a man ever heard. They told of the power of God to come into a man’s life and take out every habit and appetite. I recognized that as being the real Gospel of Jesus Christ. Four days later, when I went down upon my knees and for the first time in my life confessed my heart, my sins, this old preacher that had never had anything in his life at all, got real salvation, and became acquainted with Jesus Christ.

**A helpless drunkard saved.**--I praise God I ever came in contact with this Savior. I had been on a drunk for about two weeks, I was wondering how I was going to put in that night, when I heard an old ex-drunkard on the street corner telling the story of how there was power in the Blood of Jesus Christ. I said, I would give my life if I had that thing, but I did not think God would do it for me. My old black past came up before me. I had put in time behind the prison bars, I had robbed a store. God let me go on for two weeks. I got to the place where I was on the verge of deliriums tremens, but He still strove with my soul. I fell at my bedside one day and said, “O God, if you will save my soul, if you will take these habits off from my life, I don’t know how, but I will give you my life, I will do anything in the world.” In the twinkling of an eye, He broke every chain, every habit that had me bound. It is so wonderful, so marvelous. He put joy and peace in my heart. He made me a clean man, He made a new man of me. I went out of that room with a firm step, not looking for a brace, I had the brace in my soul that has lasted for three years. O people, it is real, it is real.

They sang:

O tell me more of Christ my Savior;
On this glad theme, dwell o’er and o’er;
His boundless grace, His saving favor,
His precious name--Oh, tell me more.

I was a railroad conductor.—I was a proud, stubborn, independent man, but the power of God was able to break down my proud heart and show me it was an abomination in the sight of
God Almighty. O friends, God Almighty is faithful to every soul. I came here a stranger and in a strange land. I heard these people telling what God was doing on the earth today. I listened to the drunkard and the dope fiend tell how God had saved them. I was proud, and haughty. I belonged to the Masonic order, but it failed to take the sin out of my life. While on the railroad, I stole money and covered up my tracks so no one would know it. But when I heard these testimonies, I knew I would have to meet those things in eternity if not here. I got down at this old bench with the drunkard and dope fiend and asked God to save my soul. I cried out to God and He saved me and gave me grace to write back to the railroad company and straighten up my crooked life. It took God to make me confess my sins. No one knew it, not even my wife or the train men on the run with me. He showed me I had to do it. I praise God for the power in the Blood of Jesus that take sin out and gives you power to live without sin. It takes the thief and liar and double dealer and makes them straighten up their crooked life. I recommend this Gospel to all.

A redeemed drug fiend sang:

“For lo, with thy soul it is well,
Go forth and the glad story tell;
Of how ever you died, to the Savior you cried,
And He spake to thy soul, ‘It is well.’”

I have proved the power in the Blood of Jesus Christ to save a drug fiend. I came to this Mission, weak and trembling, and heard a wonderful story four years ago in this old Mission hall. I heard that a dope fiend could be born again and redeemed from a life of sin and shame. My life was full of sin and vice that I cannot tell you about tonight, but mother brought me here, and I heard the glad story of Jesus Christ to save, and I found Him a mighty reality to me. I had tried stronger drugs to take the drug habit out of my life, but here they did not tell me of any stronger drug to take sin out, but of a wonderful Savior. I came to this altar and cried out my heart to God; “God, be merciful to me a sinner,” and the work was done in my soul. I got up from this altar and went down the street rejoicing. I got out on the street and gave my first testimony for God. I love this Gospel, I love Jesus Christ, I tell you He restored everything in my life that sin had robbed me of. Oh, it is wonderful that I am at home, redeemed. Once a drunkard, once a dope fiend, once an outlaw. I love the Christ that redeemed me, that saved me from sin.

They sang:

In the good old fashioned way,
In the good old fashioned way,
I am going home to glory,
In the good old fashioned way.

A young man. I praise God for this Gospel that reached even me. I always lived under condemnation. I never remember the time I was not under conviction. I was brought up in a Christian home, but I went the wrong road. My life was but a wreck. Sin was ruining my life. God looks upon the heart, He knew my hidden sins. Everything was going lovely as far as you could see on the outside, but my heart was broken, my soul was degraded, my life was black with sin, my thoughts were wicked. I longed for purity, I prayed, I fought, I battled to no avail. I was trying to deceive the world. But six years ago, the God of Heaven spoke to my hell-bound
soul, and the sins of a life time rolled away, the condemnation went. I praise God for six years of real victory. I found liberty in the Christ that spoke the words, “Be thou made clean.”

**A drunkard and cigarette fiend.**—I praise God He will save whosoever will put their trust in His Word. For years and years I had a head knowledge of the Word of God but it did nothing for me. But when this man was down and out, a helpless drunkard and cigarette fiend, I made one honest cry to God, and the work was done in my life. I became a sober man to stay sober from that day to this. No more cigarettes for me. I praise God today for the Word of God that really works out in the whosoever’s life that really lets God come in contact with his heart.

They sang:

He trod the old Judea
Life’s pathway long ago;
The people thronged about Him,
His saving grace to know;
He healed the broken hearted,
And caused the blind to see;
And still His great heart yearneth
In love for even me.

**A woman redeemed from drink.**—I was nothing but a fallen, painted woman of the under world, but Jesus came down in my soul just fifteen months ago and saved my soul. Tonight I am saved through the power in the Blood of Jesus. Years of my life I spent in sin and debauchery, but God saved me and set me free and broke the shackles of sin.

Oh, I am so glad that Jesus Christ saved my soul. Cells and prison bars all failed to change me. Many times as I lay in the old cell, I wondered if there was a way out of that life, but I did not know the way of salvation till I went to a little Mission, and found the Christ of Calvary, and He set me free. Oh, I have a story of victory today. Oh, I am glad I have the victory in my soul. Everything I owe to God. Everyone I had robbed in that life of debauchery, He made me go back and straighten it up. When I had no hope on earth, then I looked up to Jesus and He set me free. He came down and filled my heart with such joy and peace as I never experienced in my life before.

They sang:

Grace flowing for me,
Grace flowing so free,
O wonderful grace,
Flowing from Calvary.

**God has saved this hobo.** this old drunken man out of a life of sin. I have been washed in the Blood of the Lamb of God. I came here after getting out of a box car. I thought my days were past for being saved any more, because whiskey and booze had taken me down the line, and many times I was thrown in jail and many days on the rock pile. But nothing ever broke me from the habit of drink. My father died a drunkard, and I was on the same road to hell. The last words he said were cursing, and I took up that life after him and drank whiskey since I was a little boy. I could not do without it. I came to this place and bowed down and cried to the living God and said, “O God, if you will save my soul, I will serve you the balance of my days.” All the habits left my life, it is four years since I have had a drink. I am so thankful that I am not a
hobo tonight. I am a child of the King. God cleaned me up on the inside and cleaned me up on
the outside. He has made a man of me sound and well. He has put a back bone in me. God has
given back to me the days and years that sin had robbed me of.

They sang:
'Tis the old, old story of His love,
'Tis the sweet old message from above;
For no other I can find that can calm a troubled mind
Like the sweet old story of His life.

I was a drunkard, a cigarette fiend, a gambler, eyes bleared and blood-shot, a horse thief, a
common thief, sleeping out in the jungles and hay stacks. Thank God that He would stoop so
low as to reach my polluted soul bound by the crimes and sins of years, and wash and cleanse my
mind and give me a heart to praise the God of Heaven. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my
Great Redeemer’s praise! The great God of Heaven found me, a broken hearted man, the darkest
hour of my life. There was no eye to pity, no arm to save, disease had wasted my life. I cried
out, “O God be merciful to me a sinner, blot out my transgressions and set me free.” There was
a voice that spoke as to that woman of old, “Thy sins which are many are all forgiven thee, go
and sin no more.” The darkness had passed, the sin had disappeared, the chains and fetters of
twenty-three years were broken, and I was free, translated out of the kingdom of darkness into
the kingdom of God’s dear Son. This way just suits me. It just suits the people I am with. We
are the happiest people on earth. We have been redeemed out of every nation, washed in the
Blood of the Lamb, and we sing the song of the redeemed: Hallelujah to the Lamb that was slain
but who lives again!

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHRISTIAN?

Many today are professing the name of Christian, but not many have the experience. A
Christian is one that has his affections joined to things of another world, he is a new creature, a
man born of God. It means to have that in your soul that can stand when everything is against
you, that can face the temptations and the scorn of this world and live a life without sin.

It means to repent of your sins. Jesus said, “Ye must be born again.” It takes more than
having your name on a church roll to be a Christian. Nicodemus of old had his name higher than
that, he was a teacher of the law. Jesus said, “Art thou a teacher in Israel and knowest not these
things? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, ye must be born again.” Nicodemus did not know the
first principles of real salvation. He did not know what it was to become a new creature, born of
God. Many today standing in the pulpit are like Nicodemus of old, trying to teach others the way
and not knowing it themselves. That shows the folly of men preaching today without salvation.

It is a mystery, the miraculous birth that Jesus was telling Nicodemus about. Jesus Christ
had a miraculous birth, and you and I to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven must have a
miraculous birth. He said again, “The wind bloweth where it listeth and thou hearest the sound
thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh nor whither it goeth, so is everyone that is born of the
Spirit.”

Thank God we have a remedy for sin. Not change of environment or white ribbons, or
reform or culture. Those things cannot take out sin, but it takes the power of God to take the sin
out of the life of men and women and set them free. And they are witnesses that know and can
tell the truth. Thank God we have found the Physician, Jesus Christ the Son of God, that can
heal the leprosy of sin and take it out, and not only that, but you become a witness for Jesus
Christ.
“Two men went into the temple to pray, the one a Pharisee and the other a Publican. And the Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself. God, I thank Thee that I am not as other men are; but the Publican smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.” And Jesus said, “I tell you this man went down to his house justified rather than the other.” God had no chance in that self-righteous man’s soul. You come to God and say, “I am holy, my own good works are sufficient,” and you will get nothing from God. But the poor publican said, “God, be merciful.” And Jesus said, “Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.”

Some will say, “It is for others but it is not for me, I am so deep in sin.” But the hardest case has as much hope as the moral man or woman that has no restitution to make. You may be bound by sin and habits and heredity, but God Almighty has power to break every chain and set you at liberty.

Some of these people were fallen women, others have been behind the bars, others were dope fiends but the glory of God came down and they became new creatures in Christ Jesus. The things you once loved, the things of the world have passed away, and they are redeemed by the Blood of Jesus.

When we went to an old County Jail two years ago, a man was there pacing the corridors, a nervous wreck. He had shot a man twice and his hands were stained with that man’s blood. But as he was pacing the floor, a song was sung, “Weighed in the balance – found wanting, judged by the Man crucified.” Testimonies and the Word went forth and God Almighty convicted his soul and brought him to his knees. His tears flowed and God saved that man. The nervousness left him from that hour. That day the mercy of God fell in that jail. Today, he is doing a life sentence in the penitentiary. He thanks God Almighty that he was ever in that old jail and found the Christ of God.

The reason that people know they are born again is because the Blood of Jesus Christ has cleansed the heart and taken the sin out. The things they once loved they love no more. You might try for years and years to get away from the old life, the old habits, but it matters not where you are, that craving and longing is in your breast. How we thank God that when He comes into the heart He blots and pardons the sin and remembers it no more against you forever. He removes it as far as the east is from the west. Then you know the power of God Almighty to take away sin and set you free.

This world cannot produce anything that will satisfy a human soul but the Blood of Jesus Christ can do it. Thank God there is a way out, a way of victory, a highway that the vulture’s eye hath not seen. Jesus said, “Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again, but whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst.” You can find the Fountain of living waters that will satisfy your soul.

News from Front and Burnside Mission

A real revival has been going on this winter in the Mission, souls being saved nightly. Also numbers have been sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and healed. Many are saved from drink, tobacco and drugs, and many healed of incurable diseases.

Street meetings are held every night in Portland, several meetings being held at the same time on different corners. Also Scandinavian and German street meetings are held on the streets. Souls are being saved from the street meetings, from jails, hospitals and poor farm.

The Gospel Autos go out on the streets and to neighboring towns and hold meetings. Many have been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost through cottage prayer meetings.
Now they have rented a hall in Oregon City for Sunday afternoon meetings and the hall is filled and the altar filled with seekers.

An old man that was a user of tobacco and a drunkard and had been for years, heard the Gospel from a Gospel Auto in Oregon City and came to the Mission and listened to the testimonies; and the tobacco and drink habits left him as he sat in the meeting. Every desire for it was gone, and two weeks later he came to the altar and was wonderfully saved.

A young bricklayer who had been a hopeless drunkard is saved. He had been on a drunk for weeks, and one Sunday night with a bottle of whiskey in his pocket, he heard a song on the street. He said it was the sweetest thing he ever heard in his life. It showed him that he was lost and on his way to hell. The lord convicted him and he never could get away from it. Tears ran down his face and he walked around the block and came back and heard another bricklayer tell what God had done for him, and he began to think that maybe there was some hope for a drunkard. He tried to stay away from the Mission and left town for a time and tramped and beat his way on the railroads. God brought him back and he came to the altar, and the drink and tobacco habits left him. He tells the men on the street and at his work what God has done for him.

As he was laying brick one day, a man came up and asked him what he had done with his union card. He said he threw it away. The man asked what for. He said, “I got salvation.” The other fellow said, “Well, I’ve got salvation and I didn’t throw my card away.” Our brother said, “Well, I don’t know what kind of salvation you’ve got, but when I got salvation it made me throw my union card away.” He said, “Where did you get it?” He replied, “Down at Front and Burnside Mission.” All the men know what kind of religion they get at Front and Burnside, it is the old time kind that brings the reproach of the world.

A man that had an awful disease on his body from a life of sin, testifies that he was a putrefying sore all over his body and God instantly healed him and he has since been sanctified and baptized.

A German who had been 34 years a Catholic, came to the Mission and was wonderfully saved. He came through hearing the Gospel on the street. He had to make restitution to a man that had threatened to kill him if he saw his face again. But the Lord opened the way and he went and told the man that he was saved, and everything was made right. He came to the Mission that night and shouted and went up and down the aisles praising God. He said he had been to the real estate office that day and told them to offer his place for sale for a thousand dollars less. They said there was something wrong with him, he was losing his mind. But he began praising God and told them what God had done for him. He said, “Excuse me, but I am so full of joy I cannot keep still.”

A young woman that had consumption came for her healing. She was a church member and unsaved, and got under conviction for her sins the first meeting she attended. God saved her and healed her of consumption. Her mother had been a snuff fiend for years and was saved and delivered. They are colored people. We have a number of colored people in our Mission.

A brother in the Mission received his Baptism one night, and the Spirit spoke these words through him in the Chinese language, “The Supper is ready, the table is spread, come to the feast.” At the same time he beckoned with his hands and called in the Chinese language for souls to come. It was understood by a Chinese brother.

There were two thousand letters received by the Mission in one month. Many send handkerchiefs, and the Mission workers take the handkerchiefs, and anoint them with oil, and pray for God to heal the sick, as in Acts 19:12. They are laid on the Bible. The Word of God is
our standard and foundation. They are sent out to the sick over the world, to many lands, Finland, Sweden, Norway and many other countries, and hundreds are healed of diseases that doctors could not touch.

**Used tobacco forty years.** A man of Chehalis, Wash., dropped into the little Mission there and was saved. He had used tobacco for forty years, and God took it out instantly, and he has no desire for it. He went to Corvallis, Oregon, and paid back a hundred dollars of outlawed debts, and is making all restitution praising God for the old-time religion.

**Saved from cigarettes.**—A young Swede had come to the Mission for two years in Seattle, and he had said to one of the boys that there was no hope for him, that God could do nothing for him because he was an awful cigarette fiend. They told him God could save him, but he could not believe it until one Saturday morning he waked up under deep conviction. He rolled out of his bed and got down on his knees. He said that he shook violently and did not know what made him. He looked up and saw the room full of angels, and he said, “Jesus came into my heart and the room was full of angels.” His eyes swam with tears as he told it.—Seattle, Wash.

**I am a sailor.** I thought there was no hope for me. I would go out with my shipmates and have what we called a good time. I went so far into sin that I became diseased. I found there was no pleasure in the world but sickness and sorrow, so I gave my heart to Jesus, and I have the witness within just now. My shipmates wonder what is the matter with me. They say I have been changed. The Lord helps me to live right. While others are rejoicing in sin, I am rejoicing and praising Him all the day long. Jesus can keep me on the sea as well as He can keep me on the land. If Jesus comes I know I will be ready. I can stand on the deck and it seems I can almost see Him coming in the air.—Out at Sea.

**A sailor saved.** I can stand before you today and say by the Grace of God that when a sinner down and out God picked me up from the gutter, an old drunken sailor. Glory to God. Day and night I spent in saloons, blaspheming and cursing and trampling the Blood of Jesus under my feet. But glory to God that night when I knelt at a little pine bench, God rolled the burden of sin away and set me free. He took the curse off from this drunkard’s life. When I awoke I had the same old rags on and not a nickel in my pocket, but Glory to God, I had Jesus in my heart. I had the same glory in my soul. He keeps me—it is Jesus. Oh, I can look up to my Savior. I praise Him for this mighty Gospel.—Apostolic Faith Mission, 115 Occidental Ave., Seattle, Wash.

**Some say there is no hell.** That God would not send men to hell. He would not be so cruel. But they are sending their own souls to an everlasting hell by rejecting the only way of salvation. God spared not the angels that fell, and He will not spare the men and women today that reject the Blood of Jesus Christ and trample it under their feet. God sent fire and brimstone on Sodom and Gomorrah. He is the God of judgment as well as of mercy.

**Is there a hell?** If any are in doubt, let them write to this Mission, and we will send you a tract. “Is there a hell?” It will convince any honest soul.

**All secret orders** and unions with their oath-bound secrets are agents and forerunners of the Anti-Christ. All of God’s people should come out from among such and keep separate from them, as you value your soul. Read II Cor. 6:14-18

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