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"All ye inhabitants of the world and dwellers on the earth, see ye; when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains, and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye."—Isaiah 18:3

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## CHRIST AND THE PASSOVER.

The deliverance of Israel from Egypt and the observance of the typical feasts instituted to commemorate past events in Israel's history are of special interest to the Remnant people now. Nothing is more evident than the repetition of past events are to be lived over by the Remnant. This is plainly stated in the following Scripture:

"And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

"And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth." Isa. 11:10-12.

"As I live, saith the Lord God, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you:

"And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

"And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face.

"Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord God.

"And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant:

"And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the Lord." Eze. 20:33-38.

Many other Scriptures could be given. See, "Time, Tradition and Truth" for further instruction on this point. It is evident from the above that the story of Israel, beginning with their deliverance from Egypt, is an important one.

In order to perpetuate the deliverance the following instructions were given:

"This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you.

"Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

"And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

"Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

"And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

"And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two

side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

"And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

"Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

"And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire." Ex. 12:2-10.

Note, the even when the lamb was to be killed was the beginning of the fourteenth day, or the dark part which comes first in the day as given in Genesis first chapter. The reason for the observance and the name given the feast is as follows:

"And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's passover.

"For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord.

"And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

"And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the Lord throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever." Ex. 12:11-14.

The manner of its observance is as follows:

"Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

"And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done of you.

"And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this self-same day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

"In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

"Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

"Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread." Ex. 12:15-20.

We read again,

"Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.

"And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt.

"It is a night to be much observed unto the Lord for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the Lord to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations." Ex. 12:40-42.

The male lamb of one year represented Christ the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of the world. In eating this lamb, as stated by Christ when here, they ate His flesh. The blood which was sprinkled on the door post represented the blood of Christ which would preserve their lives. This act was performed by faith. We read of Moses thus, "Through faith he kept the passover and the sprinkling of blood lest he that destroyed the first-born should destroy them." Heb. 11:28. The definite month is given when it is to be observed.

"Observe the month of Abib, and keep the passover unto the Lord thy God: for in the month of Abib the Lord thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.

"Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the Lord thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the Lord shall choose to place his name there.

"Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread therewith, even the bread of affliction; for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of thy life.

"And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy coast seven days: neither shall there any thing of the flesh, which thou sacrificedst the first day at even, remain all night until the morning." Deut. 16:1-4.

Note. It was to be killed the **first evening** of the feast which was the **dark part** of the day. Nothing was to remain over till the morning. It was to be killed after the going down of the sun. Deut. 16:6. We think the above is sufficient on the institution of the ordinance. The month Abib in the Jewish count is the month of April in the Gentile calendar. Thus, the fourteenth day of April, 1919, is the same day as the fourteenth day of Abib in the Jewish calendar. Note. It was to be observed **on the fourteenth day of the month**. The day of the week is changeable each year, but not so with the month. The record says plainly it shall be observed each year on the fourteenth day of the month. The feasts of the Lord are unchangeable as to the time of their observance. They all come on certain days of the month. Were they to be changeable by the moon then that could not be true that they would come on certain days of each month. Let all these things be noted by the reader. The feast must come on the same month and the same day of the month **each year**. If man later makes a calendar wherein the month is changed in any way by the moon such a calendar would not be inspired, and should not be followed. God's standard is the sun to regulate the year and not the moon. The months must be adjusted to the sun movements.

We now turn to the apostles' comments as to the lesson taught by the observance of the feast.

"Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?"

"Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

"Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." 1 Cor. 5:6-8.

In the days when Israel came out of Egypt there was no written Scripture hence every truth of the Gospel was taught by a kinder-garten or object lesson. Leaven in the bread was taken to represent sin in any of its forms, so the feast was and is **to be observed** in the manner of self-examination of each individual and the "purging out of the old leaven" of sin that they may be a new lump. It also says, "Christ is our passover," thus showing the object of the lesson, as **we keep the feast**, is to feed on his word which is the emblem of his flesh. Christ said, "Beware of the leaven (doctrine) of the Pharisees and Sadducees," (their false doctrines) so the feast of the passover of seven days is intended for each individual to examine their faith regarding the doctrine they have accepted whether it is the truth or not which they hold. They are also to put away every wickedness in act or word which they practice if they would be a **new lump**.

Now says the apostle, "Let us keep the feast." This shows it is to still be observed. This was written many years after the crucifixion. The night of Christ's betrayal the emblems were changed to the bread and wine but no more, for He says, "As often as you do this," thus signifying it was an established ordinance to be observed each year as commanded by Moses. Every Sunday or Sabbath keeper would use the text to sustain their observance of the day they are keeping if it read **let us keep the day** instead of let us **keep the feast**.

(To be continued.)

## IS THERE A TRUE ORGANIZATION?

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The second reason as to why so many sects have arisen since Christ is the fact that a false teaching has crept in. Namely, that a new church was established since Christ. This idea being generally accepted, each one who would be a leader has taught their ideas of church government were the correct method. If a new church was formed, each have tried to find the form of the new church organization; there being none given in the New Testament Scriptures. Each has, like Jeroboam, made an organization after their own pattern, which has resulted in confusion and which constitutes the daughters of Babylon. Rev. 17. By reading the chapter entitled the Two Women of Revelation 12th and 17th chapters in "The Story of the Real Jew," it is made plain that no new organization or church was instituted since Christ was here by the Lord. As to the next point, Paul said that after his departure there would be men who would arise teaching perverse things, drawing away disciples after themselves. This has been fulfilled to no limit.

We desire to handle the question on organization quite fully, both in the call of laborers, the organization of the believers, and the support of the work. The people seem to know so little of true organization such as God has organized, and instead permitted themselves to be entangled with organizations of Baal worship, without ability to distinguish the difference. It has often been said to us, You don't believe in organization, referring, of course, to such organization as the denominations now have. Of course we do not, but to leave the question there does not state the truth of what we do believe. I am a strong believer in organization. More systematic, more thorough, more successful, more unity of action, more in being directed in my work, than any denomination now existing believes. But the one I believe in is of God. The church, which is the only true church, it is organized and built directly by the Lord. Christ is the head of that Church. It is not visible. It is not chartered by law of the land. It is not named by men. It is not guided by men. It is the only church there is. Any other is not of God. Hence my opposer is not of this church, or else very ignorant of Bible teaching. Which is it, my brother? It is surely the difficulty with you as stated. Every member of Christ's church will do as God's laws demand for the support of the work it is doing. That is the evidence of true membership.

When we accept his instructions we are thoroughly organized in the most thoroughly organized body in the world, yet man has had **not one thing** to do in the planning neither the running of the true church. All he can do is to comply with the instructions and do the work **God lays on him** as a servant of the Lord and the church. We need no election. We need no committee to draw plans and specifications. We need no laws and

constitutions. We need no plans for raising finances. We need no vote whether a certain one shall become a member, neither a vote to put one out. We need no head neither a president or pope, chairman or chief. We need no foreign mission board. We need no theological schools to fit men for the ministry, they are all taught of God and not of men. We need no general, neither local conference to take up our time and means. We need no quarterlies from which to teach. These, with many other things we have no need of, which are now so common. The Bible and the Holy Ghost with Christ the head of the church and we in Him and He in us meets all needs.

#### What We Do Need.

We need men and women who are willing to do what God says, who are willing to be organized as individuals so they will do the Lord's bidding. We need people who will **covet earnestly** the spiritual gifts, who are willing to improve their talents under the Lord's teaching of His word that they may do service for God. This means **every member** should fill some talent though it be but one. We need those who will support the church in its work with the finances God has seen fit to give them from His soil and their talents, given them by the Lord to use. We need men and women who will have a burden for souls till they will teach others the truth. In brief, we need men and women who will obey God in all things, not some one hobby, though that hobby may be true. Many are going to be lost because they will not be willing to be organized by the Lord for service. We not only want organization, but we must have it or fail. But we want the Lord's organization and not man's. Christ is our head. He is our guide. His word must abide in us and we must abide in Him so He can teach us. There is not one idle drone in the true church.

We further need spiritual discernment to know when we see one whom the Lord has called. We can't make an Elder, Deacon, Preacher, Teacher, gift of healing, and so on, but God wants us to be able to tell one of His make from the one man has made, and be able to recognize the true and give them a place where they have been called to fill. This we must be able to do. We need to earnestly pray **the Lord of the harvest to raise up laborers** for the harvest after His own calling as He did when here. Men who are not afraid to declare the whole council of God. Men who are not afraid to go into the harvest till they know just how much wages they are to receive. Men who dare not confer with flesh and blood. But such as will move out by faith and face the difficulties they have to meet as brave soldiers for Christ.

Now is the time when this true church must arise and shine in contrast to the false which are so numerous at this time. 1919 is the year for the development of this class of organized people of the Lord. The past fifteen years the teaching which is to develop them has been going on in development. Now our way is clear for every one who wishes to know this truth and join this church **by doing all things the Lord requires** to take their stand with us. We do not ask you to do a thing not pointed out in the Bible, but we do ask you to become a co-laborer with Christ in this closing work by supporting this, the only true doctrine as a whole, now being taught to the people, which is the doctrine which will develop the true remnant people of God. Will you accept the truth and become one of us in the work God now wishes done in the earth? We have tried to point out the true church, "the church," the only church there is which is recognized by the Lord as **His church**. Be sure and get your membership in it. This is the church

which John calls "the elect lady." It will live when all others fail.

#### Something Worth Knowing.

In these days of "lo here, and lo there," it is well to understand some principles of the Bible teaching. It is well to know how God brings things to pass. In the days before the flood he wished the world to know of the event. He selected **just one man** to make the event known and that was Noah. To him He communicated every detail. When those days passed and the everlasting covenant was to be renewed to the people of God it was all arranged with **one man** and that was **Abraham**. When Israel was to be led out of Egyptian bondage the Lord used **just one man** and that was Moses. When they were to be led across Jordan into the promised land Joshua was **the man selected** for the work and God **magnified him** before the people. Following this, in reading the history of Israel, we find it was a one man instrument and never a council or a company selected to manage the work God had to perform. Daniel was the man for his day. John the Baptist was the man for his day. The last Old Testament writer says, Behold I send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Question. Shall we look for this to be fulfilled by some denomination, or will God give the burden of developing that work to some one leader to start and develop the teaching necessary to raise up men and women to fill the prophecy and gather the remnant? That is the question now to be decided. Many have claimed they were the Elijah, such as Alexander Dowey, Charles T. Russell and others. As to denominations, the Seventh Day Adventist, the Mormons, and so on. How are we to determine who are the true Elijah? John was the man who fulfilled it in his day, for Christ said he did. But it is to be more fully fulfilled in our day all will admit. But who is it and what will the characteristics be that we may not be deceived? If John fulfilled it, how did he do it, and what was the burden of his message? The burden of John's message is plainly stated, namely, "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." The prophet had said of John's message, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make His paths straight." John had a message that demanded of every one their consideration. He was the forerunner to prepare the way for Christ. John's message was a message of salvation and must be accepted. There was salvation in no other. He told the people not to say they were of Abraham's seed and trust in that. Nothing short of true **repentance** on the part of both professor and non-professor could fill the bill. **Repentance demanded** obedience to the **commandments of God** the same as Elijah told King Ahab. He told Ahab he and his house **had forsaken the commandments of God**. That was where the trouble lay. That is the trouble now the same as it was then. So whoever gives the message of Elijah in the last days, **Repentance must be the foundation of that message**.

Sin is always the breaking of the commandments and all, whether professor or non-professor, **must repent and turn to obedience**. When this is undertaken each one will find plenty to **repent of**. Baal worship was the trouble in the days of Elijah. Other days of worship had been observed. Other forms of worship had been instituted. False priests, not of God's calling, were filling the places and the whole service of God had been set aside for the worship of Baal. So it is now. See our tract on Rev. 12th and 17th chapters. Now as we compare those who now claim they are the Elijah that is to come, is it true? We say no, not one of them fills the bill by any means. There is not one of them who keep the commandments as they are written. Neither is there

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## CALIFORNIA.

There is a wide field and an open door in California for the message. We are thankful indeed for the success thus far. It now looks like capable help will be left to carry forward the work. Every day our vision of both the truth and the greatness of the work enlarges in our mind.

## THE MAY NUMBER.

We feel the article from Elder Sultz was most excellent, giving the present condition of professed Christianity and the sure things that would follow such a course as Christendom is now taking. The article on Justification by Faith or Works of the Law which should also be carefully studied.

## THE PENTECOST.

We would call the attention of the reader to the approaching of the day of the Pentecost, the next annual feast to be observed by the church. By the reading of the 23rd chapter of Lev., we learn that this feast was to occur fifty days after the resurrection of Christ. Moses says, "And ye shall count unto you on the morrow after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering, seven Sabbaths shall be complete." Hence we count seven Sabbaths from the 16th day of the first month.

The passover was killed the 14th, the unleavened bread the 15th, the wave sheaf, pointing to the resurrection of Christ, was the 16th. So counting the 16th as one, we would have in April 14 days, May 31, June 5th would be the 50th day as the day to be observed by the Pentecost.

All we can do in this notice is to site the readers to the offerings that were to be offered on that day, then take volume two "The Book of the Law Found Again" where these offerings are explained, and there learn the object and the lesson taught by the feast.

Three times in a year all the males especially are to appear before the Lord. Deut. 17:16, 17. The Passover was observed by several in different places and we have had letters telling us of the blessedness of the occasion. We hope none will fail to make this day a special study and observe it as required by the Lord. Remember this day is not appointed by men to be observed but by the Lord Himself.

The true church makes no appointments, they simply do what God bids them. Hence all are responsible to Him as to the manner and respect they show to the commandments. Take the Scriptures, find the various Scripture references which govern its observance and do with it as you expect you should do when God speaks. Disobedience to one of God's Commandments is disobedience to God. Want of space forbids further comment.

## THE FUTURE OF THE PAPER.

It seems there is no end to the evidence and new developments of truth that continually comes to us as we read and teach the Word of God. We have recently published two tracts, one on the "End of the Turks and the Close of Probation." The other, "Is there a True Church Organization." Now we have three very important tracts, all quite large, in the hands of the printer. As these are developed we feel a burden that the church should have them, so we next place it in print. This is the cheapest way of getting the truth to the people.

The paper will also be filled with the truth for the day in which we live. There should be continual effort to secure new subscriptions. It has never reached the mark by considerable of self supporting. It could do it if all would work for it. Preaching almost every day, week after week, and month after month, and doing all else that is to be done is not easy. Why should not all lend a helping hand? Some are doing nobly. May God bless all such. God wants more of the same kind.

Before this reaches the reader we will pass the 71st birthday. We are happy to think we can still be active in the work. I hope to keep up the work all summer if the Lord wills it so.

## REPORT OF LABOR.

Our last report left us in the midst of our meeting at Los Angeles. We continued there in all just one month. Our attendance kept up till the last very good. We feel it was an opportunity to teach the people long to be remembered as one of the bright spots in our life. There were two men and two women baptized. One was a man of 87 years old, well preserved in body and mind. His parents were Catholic. He spent his life in the merchantile business. The preaching gave him light and caused him to rejoice in the blessed Hope. So he was baptized.

It was our privilege to baptize, for the first time in life, one of the real stock of Abraham. This was a young lady of 23 years of age, a Miss Annette Dosors from New York. This sister became interested through sister Drury's efforts. She has fully accepted Christ and the faith of the Apostles as they taught the faith of the fathers. She can now see the whole Bible teaches one Lord, one truth, one baptism. Thus uniting all in one family and one faith.

This sister was baptized at Laguna Beach in the Pacific ocean, 35 miles distant. We were taken in an auto by sister Drury, in company with Elder Leland and wife, and the candidate through orchards of oranges, walnuts, almonds, lemons, apples, peaches and flowers, through lawns and to the beach of Laguna, on the ocean front, where the baptism took place. The serf was rather rough but everything was fine and pleasant. We sold a "Yellow Peril" in the town, and returned. All during the meetings there were those present who tried to catch the seed from the people as it was sown, but not to much success. Elder Leland will continue his mission. Most all who accepted the teaching secured books and subscriptions for the paper.

So we closed the meeting for the present. Thus giving them a chance for further study and development hoping to return before leaving the state.

### PASADENA.

Through an invitation of Sister Drury we are now located in her home town, Pasadena. Elder Leland and wife assist us in the meetings here. Sister Drury rented a hall in the center of the city and has spent much money and labor in advertising and in every way to make the meetings a success. This is what is called a conservative place, an abundance of large church buildings, ministers, etc. Up to this date (May 5th) we have held eight meetings. The attendance has not been large. The interest on the part of those attending seems very good. We have no doubt but that God will give us souls for our hire. We remember in our labor that the work of teaching a remnant is like two or three berries on the topmost bow as spoken of in Isa. 17th chapter. Our courage is good and we renew our covenant made in the first beginning of our ministry with God that so long as He will give us souls for our hire we will render our service to Him. This is all we can say in this writing.

### IS THERE A TRUE CHURCH ORGANIZATION?

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a denomination today which fills the bill. They have followed Baal in their organizations. They teach many things which are unscriptural. In brief, they have not the truth for this time on the Gathering of the Remnant. When you find a teacher who takes the whole Bible, leaving nothing to be abolished, one who has God's form of organization and church government. In short one who teaches Moses and the prophets in full as they taught and practiced, such a one will come much nearer filling the prophecy than they who claim they are Elijah, and remember that no sect or present organization can fill the prophecy among present existing denominations, for it must be started by some individual and developed by some one individual, for that is God's way of doing. Next, that individual must have a sound doctrine in all their teaching and proclaim the whole council of God, regardless of any. Now look out for such a work; if it is not to be found, then Elijah has not yet come. The Jews did not know it when it was before their eyes. So it may be now.

#### Evidence Whereby to Judge the True Messenger.

First. Any one fulfilling the prophecy of Malachi as representative of Elijah must have some thing definite as already stated. Hence, if any leader or publisher writes or speaks as though they were seeking for truth or investigating to find truth, you may know at once they are not the Elijah. Christ said of John, "What went ye out to see, a reed shaken with the wind." That is, a man who could be whiffled about and having no knowledge of what to teach. John "spake as one having authority." A true messenger has some thing positive and knows whereof he speaks.

Second. The very character of the message is given us. Namely, it is based on repentance and an immediate preparation to meet the Lord. So the true Elijah of our day cannot be some one who is making a specialty of some one thing, which we might mention as some now who have some hobby as the all important thing; (some one thing and some another). No such a person is even connected with the message of Elijah.

Third. John was a prophet, yet we never hear or read that he ever had a vision or uttered a prophecy of future events, but he did proclaim that which was al-

ready written by the prophets. So any one claiming the Elijah message will not have some thing special given them in vision but they will base their evidence on that which is already written for our day and time.

Fourth. It will not be given by any sect or denomination. John was free from them all. When he saw the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said, "Oh generation of Vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come." So we need not look to some denomination to give the message, for they will not do it.

Fifth. Malachi especially gives the law of Moses as a part of that message. He says, "Remember ye the law of Moses my servant which I commanded him for all Israel with the statutes and judgments." This plainly shows there must, with that message, be a reform on the teaching of Moses. The remnant "sing the song of Moses." So again any one who teaches that law to be abolished in any way cannot be giving the message of Elijah. Note all these points. The time is here for the message. It is time now that the remnant know with whom the message is found. You can't understand too well. It is the truth alone which is to determine.

The Bible is the only source to which any child of God can go for instruction upon things pertaining to the work of God. The Holy Spirit is the guide as to what the Bible teaches. His office is to bring to remembrance all things written in the word to those who have studied the word.

So we turn to that word and learn who are workers in the cause of God, and how they were made such, and the manner of their support while working.

First, how did they, in Bible times, become workers? The first one we will notice whom God used as a special minister to give the people a message was Noah. In this case we find the Lord personally called him, gave him a message and told him what to do. The next one was Abraham. The Lord appeared to him also and gave him his work. The Lord appeared to Isaac, his son, and instructed him. The next was Jacob. And again the Lord did the same to him as he had done to the former. Next, the Lord sent Joseph before the children of Israel into Egypt and managed his entire history there that he might be a forerunner to the twelve tribes when they were brought to Egypt to preserve their lives.

Next, when they were to leave Egypt, the Lord appeared to Moses at the burning bush and gave him the instructions necessary to bring the Israelites out of Egypt. The Lord called Aaron to be his mouth-piece.

The Lord personally managed their entire journey while in the wilderness. After the death of Moses and Aaron the Lord magnified Joshua before the people to be their leader, and gave him full instructions what to do. During the reign of the Judges when the Israelites sinned and they cried to God, the Lord raised up deliverers. He called Barak, Jephthah, Gideon, and Samson as deliverers. Gideon was taken from the threshing floor where he was threshing wheat. The others, like this one, were all just common men such as God could use to do the work he wished to have done. Samuel, the next great man in Bible history, was dedicated by his mother to the Lord before his birth. David, the next, was especially chosen by the Lord from the sheep fold, where he was a keeper of his father's sheep.

As to the prophets, we read that Amos was called by the Lord to prophesy when he was a herdman of Tekoa. Amos 1:1. Jeremiah was called to be a prophet before he was born, Jer. 1:5. Ezekiel was called by the Lord when a captive in Babylon. Eze. 1:1. Daniel, another prophet, was called by the Lord when but a youth, a captive in Babylon. Dan. 1:17.

Elisha, the prophet, was called by God when plowing with twelve yoke of oxen.

Of all the other prophets of the Old Testament it is said the word of the Lord came to each one as directly from the Lord. If it was an angel that visited the prophet, the Lord sent him.

Turning to the New Testament we find that Christ did His own choosing of His disciples. Peter, James and John were fishermen, ignorant and unlearned. Paul was educated and a member of the sect of the Pharisees and a bitter persecutor of the saints when the Lord appeared to him personally and called him to the work. Matthew was a tax gatherer when the Lord called him. All were chosen directly by the Lord; occupation, educated, poor or rich, none of which has ever entered into the question with God as to the fitness of the individual for the work. It was what was in the man's heart and what God could see that could be made out of the individual that determined his acceptance. Note, in all the story, man has never had a single thing to do with the selection of laborers for God.

It is equally true, as we study the work, that man has had nothing to do with the directing of men where to go, nor how or what to preach in all the story of the Bible. In order to see how literally true this is read the story of the Acts of the Apostles, so-called; but in truth it is a book telling us how the Lord directed in every thing that was done, thus making it a book that tells us how the Lord, through the Holy Spirit, carried forward the work after He left the world.

It is remarkable to read the Bible with these statements in mind, to see how that God himself is the Head of the Church and the absolute ruler of the actions of men in his work. He told them where to go and how to act. He was the Mission Board Manager, and Overseer of the whole thing. Leaving no place for middle men or managers of men.

The greatest authority given any laborer was to be subject to the Lord, and teach whatsoever He had commanded him: and for all his actions he would answer to God, and in the end God would try every man's work of what sort it was, and reward him according to his work. 1st Cor. 3:9-15. On these terms He promised to be with His servants even to the end of the world, promising them that the Holy Spirit should ever be with them to guide them into all truth. This we hold to be God's plan of operation. He needs no middle authority, or directors, no paymasters, no instructors to tell them what or how to preach. In brief every man must answer to God alone and not to man. He must be called by God alone to the work and not by man. The Gospel machinery of this age is Babylonish and of the world, and patterned after worldly methods.

The Ministry is not a profession that can be picked up and laid down at will, without disaster to the one who practises such a course. Paul said, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel," and he further said, "I conferred not with flesh and blood." He realized that His life belonged to the Lord. In fact it is quite a question whether a man, who is chosen of God, will ever give up the work to which God has called him. He may work with his hands for support as did the Apostle Paul, but that labor is only during the time he is working for God for self support. He has in no wise quit the work of God. There is a power behind the true Minister beyond his control that urges him on and is ever pressing him into the work to which he has been called. In fact that is one of the great tests that he has been called of God.

Another test is the evidence of God's blessing upon his work in the conversion of souls; another is his diligence in making himself the most efficient in every way that will aid in teaching the truth and helping the people; another test is that the work does not stop because of trials and difficulties. It is by the evidence given in the Bible that the people may know them by their fruits.

The Minister who is called of God and fitted for His work is as much higher than the minister whom men may make, as the heavens are higher than the earth. A minister, whom men make, are hirelings. They are moulded as literally after the pattern of the denomination that makes them as the Chinese foot is moulded after the pattern that fashions it. About the first thing each denomination does is to build a factory called a theological school, in which to make and fit ministers for the ministry. The schools are really to make factory-made preachers of that pattern.

The law of Moses teaches a direct call to the Ministry. Aaron was called of God to act as High Priest. His successors in that office were to be his sons and his sons' sons. Aaron being a type of Christ, teaches that Christ's Priests must be such as are of his direct call to that place. The reader should know how particular the Lord was that no one ministered at the altar but those who were the seed of Aaron:

"Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;

"Who was faithful to Him that appointed Him, as also Moses was faithful in all His house.

"For every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:

"Who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity.

"And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.

"And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron.

"So also Christ glorified not Himself to be made an high priest; but He that said unto Him, Thou art my Son today have I begotten Thee?"—Heb. 3:1, 2; Heb. 5:1-5.

The whole tribe of Levi was taken by the Lord to do His work for the people. They were chosen in the place of the first born males of each tribe. The first born males of each tribe the Lord claimed as His by preserving them from death at the time all the firstborn of Egypt were slain as Israel left Egypt.

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Number all the firstborn of the males of the children of Israel from a month old and upward, and take the number of their names.

"And thou shalt take the Levites for me (I am the Lord) instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children of Israel.

"And Moses numbered, as the Lord commanded him, all the firstborn among the children of Israel."—Num. 3:40-42.

"Ye are not your own. Ye are bought with a price."—1 Cor. 6:20.

The definition of Apostle is "one sent." This sending of Apostles must be from the Lord and not men.

It is further plain that an Apostle is one who enters new fields and establishes the work of God in regions beyond. He is not chosen to manage men, for that belongs to God only. The Signs of the Apostleship should ever be manifest that others can see that by his fruits he is called of God.

"Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.

"For what is it wherein ye were inferior to other churches, except it be that I myself was not burdensome to you? forgive me this wrong.

"I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also.

"Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I.

"Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.

"Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one.

"Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

"In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren."—2 Cor. 12:12, 13; 11:21-26.

These manifestations will, as necessity demands, ever accompany a true priest. They are not men selected by men but are chosen of God as was Aaron. They are men who pioneer new fields and establish the work of God; men who have a message direct from God for the day in which they live. They are not made by men, neither are they subject to men, and all other gifts of the Spirit as given to men are only to assist the work God has to be done. These gifts were distributed among the Christians as it pleased the Lord to give to each man as He would; each one answering to God for the gift granted the individual. Thus all becoming workers together with God. No one having dominion over another's faith.

"Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us in God; who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the spirit in our hearts.

"Not for that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy; for by faith ye stand.—2 Cor. 1:21, 22, 24.

"Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

"And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.

"And there are diversities of operation, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

"But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

"For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues; but all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will."—1 Cor. 12:4-11.

Man can judge whom God has called, but can in no wise have any part in the selecting or fitting of men for the work of God.

First: "They must all be taught of God." Second: This teaching is such that the world knows nothing of the things taught.

When the Pharisees heard the ignorant and unlearned men, they perceived they had been taught of Jesus something they could not answer.

"And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

"For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.

"And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

"And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power; that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

"Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect; yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought.

"But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory.

"Which none of the princes of this world knew; for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard; neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.

"But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit; for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

"For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

"Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

"Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

"But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

"But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

"For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ."—1 Cor. 2:1-16.

After reading the above who could think himself sufficient to instruct a minister how he should conduct

the work God has called him to perform? How could we imagine Paul establishing schools and then visiting them to teach out of books written by men and instructing men how to preach? Paul ever thanked God that Grace comes from God alone. (1 Cor. 1:4-10.) Paul himself dared not assume this position, much less should men in this age of the world do so who need to be taught rather than instruct others. It is true they can teach things of the world and give such a mould as the world will receive but they cannot teach how to preach or make converts to God. Paul thanked God that Grace was given them of God. It is true that a denomination who wishes to give their ministers such a mould, as adopted by that denomination, can have instructors for that purpose, and they can require all to comply with that mould or be rejected from their hireling service in the church. **But do not call it the Ministry of Christ, for it is not.**

"Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?"

"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

"For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom.

"But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

"Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

"For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called; but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the things that are mighty; and base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to naught things that are; that no flesh should glory in his presence.

"But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

"That according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."—1 Cor. 1:19-31.

"Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

"Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours."—1 Cor. 3:18, 21.

Possibly the strongest evidence given the laborer for God that the Lord is accepting his laborers is the fruit of that labor.

"For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ yet have ye not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel."—1 Cor. 4:15.

Thus it must be perfectly clear to every honest person that a man-made ministry is not what God wants, neither will it answer His purpose. And further as we view each effort made in that manner we ask, What has it done for the world? The number of ministers has been increased; but spirituality has decreased in proportion, until the call has now come with full force to come out of Babylon and let every man save his own soul. In no manner is Babylon more marked than in the present system of organization and the hired ministry which includes the present methods of education and fitting of men and women for gospel work.

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This is another thing hard for common people like us to understand. What is the body of the people? Is it the nineteen twentieths or the one twentieth? If it is the nineteen and we are to stick to them, being the larger body, then the sinners will go through to the Kingdom, and we conclude the one twentieth will not go through. People say you can prove any thing by the Bible. That may be the way with the Testimonies, and we would suggest they offer it as proof that the Testimonies are inspired.

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