



THE LAW AND THE PROPHETS



THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL

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

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LESSON THIRTEEN.

Departure From Egypt (Continued).

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- What does the word Exodus mean?
- How many persons went into Egypt? Ex. 1:1-6.
- What caused Egypt to oppress Israel? V. 7-14.
- What course was pursued to stop Israel's increase? V. 15-22.
- Of what tribe was Moses? Ex. 2:1.
- Tell the story of Moses and where he went. Ex. 2:2-25.
- Whom did Moses meet? Ex. 3:1-4.
- What reply did Moses make? V. 11-22.
- What proof did the Lord give Moses that he would help him? Ex. 4:1-7.
- What excuse did Moses finally make? V. 10-17.
- Did Moses go? *yes*
- What experience had he at the inn? V. 24-28.
- Did Moses' wife submit to circumcision of the child?
- What did Moses and Aaron do? V. 29-31.
- What did God say Israel was? V. 22.
- Why then is God's church the first born?
- What request was made and the answer? Ex. 5:1-3.
- What did the people say to Moses? V. 20-23.
- What word did the Lord send to the people? Ex. 6:1-13.
- Were the ages and genealogy kept to Moses? V. 14-30.
- What did God make Moses to Pharo? Ex. 7:1-6.
- How old were Moses and Aaron? V. 7.
- What was the first experience? V. 10-13.
- Give the judgments in consecutive order in Exodus, chapters seven to eleven, and the experience connected with them.
- What month of the year did they leave? Ex. 12:1, 2.
- Whose reckoning had they been under in Egypt? Egyptian.
- When did the first month of God's time begin? First equinox.
- What date is the spring equinox?
- How long had Israel requested to go to sacrifice? Ex. 5:3.

Why three days? The first day was for the wave sheaf. See Lev., 23rd chapter.

Give in full the instructions in chapter twelve.

LESSON FOURTEEN.

The First Passover Observed.

388 brought forward.

- What was to be done on the tenth day of the first month? Ex. 12:3.
- How many lambs? V. 4.
- What was the condition of the lamb?
- What time was it to be killed? V. 6.
- Was that the beginning or end of the day? Gen. 1:1-3.
- Where was it to be eaten and how? V. 7-10.
- What lesson did it teach and how long to be observed? V. 12-28.
- Relate experience and time they left. V. 28-36.
- What had the Lord told Abraham they should take out? Great substance.
- From where did they start and who went with them? V. 37-39.
- Who was permitted to eat of the passover? V. 40-51.
- What portion does the Lord require of us? Ex. 13:1-16.
- Why does Paul speak of the church of the first born? Heb. 12:23. This again shows the origin of the formal organization of the church in Jacob (Israel). The first born of Israel was spared. They were redeemed through the blood of Christ, the lamb slain from the foundation of the world. So all true members must be newly born into the kingdom and in the resurrection they will be the first born from the dead when a nation will be born in a day. Hence there is but one church for every age. That is the "church of the first born." For the observance of the Passover and its lessons taught see Volume Six, chapter, "The Passover."
- Did Pharo repent of letting Israel go? Ex. 14:1-9.
- What did Israel do? V. 10-14.
- What was the command of God? V. 15-18.
- What position did the cloud now take? V. 20-22. (On the colors and cloud see Vol. 3.)
- What did the Egyptians do and the result that followed? V. 23-31.
- What did Moses and the people sing? Ex. 15.
- Where did Israel next pitch camp? Ex. 16.
- Was there plenty to eat in sight?

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What did the Lord feed them?
How did the Lord prove them on obedience?
Had the law been written then? See Ex. 20.
Who had 400 years before kept the laws?
Gen. 26.

Was the Sabbath known before it was written on Sinai? Gen. 2:2.

Did manna fall on the Sabbath?
LESSON FIFTEEN.

The Giving of the Law On Sinai.

413 brought forward.

When had the Sabbath been instituted? Gen. 2:1, 2.

What was to be done with a portion of manna?
Give the story in full of the sixteenth chapter of Exodus.

What were the conditions at Rephidim? Ex. 17.
Whom did Israel war with at Rephidim? Ex. 17:8-16.

What number of camps up to this time?

Who visited Moses at Rephidim? Ex. 18.

What advice did the visitor give Moses?

Where was the next camp? Ex. 19:1-3.

Where did Moses go? V. 3.

What proposition did the Lord made to Israel?
V. 4-6.

Did the people accept the proposition? V. 7-9.

What preparation was necessary? V. 10-25.

What did the Lord speak on Sinai? Ex. 20:1-17.

Did all the people both see and hear all spoken?

What instructions were given about worship?
V. 22-26.

Repeat a clear synopsis of the judgments commanded in chapters 21, 22 and 23. Which was a part of this proposition made Israel by the Lord.

What were the next instructions to Moses? Ex. 24:1, 2.

How many commandments were included in the proposition? V. 3. All the words of the Lord and all the judgments could not include less than is recorded in chapters 20 to 24. Every instruction and commandment mentioned in these chapters are a part of that proposition and covenant.

What did the people agree to after hearing all?
V. 3.

With what blood was it sealed? V. 4-8.

How many laws were written in the book? V. 4-7; Ex. 24:19.

Where did Moses next go? Ex. 24:9-18.

Read carefully what we say in Volume one, "The Abrahamic and Mosaic covenants."

How many entered into this covenant?

How many entered into the everlasting covenant made with Abraham?

Was conversion a test in the Mosaic covenant?
No.

Was conversion a test in the Abrahamic? Yes. The Mosaic covenant was a national covenant. The Abrahamic a spiritual Covenant.

What ruler in Israel was to rule the civil? Judah.

Who, the house of Israel, or spiritual, the house of Joseph?

Instructions introduced to govern the service. All the above occurred in just one year from their departure from Egypt. Paul describes the Sinaitic view of Sinai from the law was given as follows:

"For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,

"And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:

"(For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

"And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

"But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

"To the general assembly and church of the first-born, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

"And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

"See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

"Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

"And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

"Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

"For our God is a consuming fire."—Heb. 12: 18-29.

The above all occurred in the twenty-five hundred and fourteenth year after the creation of the world. The person who familiarizes their minds with the books of Genesis and Exodus will understand much of the whole Bible. God at this point of history laid the organization of Israel which was to last till the end. "What God doeth he doeth it forever." "Nothing can be added to it neither can any thing be taken from it." Eccles. 3:14. This second covenant was made with the house of Judah and the house of Israel. Joseph's house, the head of Israel as a representative of the remedial system of the gospel. Judah, the representative of the law and civil rulership. Note, the civil was subject to the instructions of the house of Israel. They were the teachers of both law and gospel as will latter appear. Both were united in the theocracy of Israel. Both had one aim to fill. Namely, obedience to God and faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ. Both in perfect harmony. God himself being the head and only organizer and first instructor of all.

LESSON SIXTEEN.

The Building of the Tabernacle.

442 brought forward.

What request was made of the people? Ex. 25:1-8.

Who was the planner and architect? V. 9, 40.

Describe each article of furniture and where placed.

Describe the tabernacle. Ex. 26.

Describe the altar, curtains and so on, in chapter 27.

Describe the full attire of the priests in Ex. 28.

Give a full description of Aaron and his sons to the office of priesthood. Ex. 29.

Note.—This covenant is made with the house of Israel, Joseph, and the house of Judah. One the civil ruler and the other the spiritual ruler and teacher. The civil ruler is subject to the spiritual teaching, as will later appear. The theocratic covenant of church and state is represented by Christ being both priest

and king. Hence both subject to Christ as head of all.

How long was required in the consecration? Ex. 29:31-37.

What was the daily service of the tabernacle? V. 38-46.

Give the lesson taught by each offering. See Vol. 6.

Describe the appointing of the tabernacle and its furniture. Ex. 30.

Who had the charge of beautifying the tabernacle? Ex. 31:1-11.

What special days were set apart for service? V. 12-18.

What did the people do when Moses went into the mount? Ex. 32:1-6.

What did the Lord tell Moses? V. 7-10.

What did Moses reply? V. 11-13.

What did Moses and Joshua see and hear as they came down? V. 15-21.

What excuse did Aaron offer? V. 21-24.

What was the result of breaking the covenant made? V. 26-29.

Could they have kept their promise? Certainly, or God would not kill them for breaking it.

How long was this after the covenant was made?

Did Moses try to restore the breach? V. 30-33.

Relate the manner of restoration in Ex. 35.

Relate the meeting of Moses with God in the mount. Ex. 34:1-28.

How did Moses look as he came down? V. 29-35.

Describe the work now resumed. Chapters 34-39 inclusive.

What instruction was given Moses? Ex. 40:1-16.

How long after leaving Egypt? V. 17-38.

How much time does Exodus cover? V. 17.

Don't let the student leave the question of the covenants till the two, the one with Abraham and the one at Sinai, are clearly defined in their mind. See our teaching on them in Volume one and Volume six in "Book of the Law Found Again."

How to Be Saved.

The whole was a school-master to bring all men to Christ. There is a difference between the teacher and the student. The teacher can instruct how to do a thing but the performance must be done by the student. Just so the old covenant in all its teaching, taught the everlasting covenant and its principles in saving men. But salvation could only be realized by faith in Christ, the Redeemer of the world. Hence as a saving power it was faulty, says Paul, in that respect, for it was never intended to do that through the blood of animals. But faith in the blood of Christ which was represented by the blood of animals, would save men. At the same time the educational system of the old covenant was perfect and not faulty. The new covenant (everlastingly) was established on better promises. It did and could save men through its promises. That was just what it was intended to perform. If the reader will just take the national covenant made at Sinai with all the people in both its civil and spiritual education, and realize it was all designed to teach men how to live in both civil and spiritual things in this life, and the life to come, then they will know what the Mosaic covenant with all the people, was designed to do. Then on the other hand take the everlasting covenant through Christ, and faith in his blood, and power, to aid us in performing that which the Mosaic covenant taught us to perform, then you have the purpose of them both.

The Book of Exodus.

I have now passed through the examination of

Exodus chapter by chapter. The story as recorded is one of especial interest to the children of God. I was made to realize why so much had been said in the Bible about the departure from Egypt. Why David five hundred years after wrote such beautiful songs to be sung, giving the experience and history of Israel in their departure from Egypt and their experience in the wilderness. In brief, when we remember all that has been written in the Bible concerning the things recorded in the book of Exodus, we find that much of the whole structure of the Bible rests on that period of time.

Paul writes the book of Hebrews from the record of Exodus. Christ had much to say about Moses being a prophet like unto himself. The narrative is one of deep interest as we read of the story of Moses being hid among the flags. His mother being provided to care for him. How he was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians. How he slew the Egyptian and fled from Pharo. How he went to the Medianites, who also descended from Abraham. His meeting God at the burning bush. His begging of God not to send him to deliver Israel. How Aaron was made his mouth piece. He lays the matter before Israel. His visit to Pharo. Pharo's refusal. The ten plagues visited on Pharo. The marking of the door posts. The borrowing of wealth. Their departure at midnight. Near three millions in all leave. Not even a dog barked at their departure. Pharo pursues them. Their manner of crossing the Red Sea. The drowning of the Egyptians. They reach Sinai. The appearance of the cloud seen. God proposition to make of them a great nation. He delivers his laws. Moses reads them to the people. All the congregation agrees to obey them. The sealing of the covenant. Moses makes the second visit with God on Sinai. Joshua and seventy elders go with him. God stands on a pavement of Saphire stone, (blue being the emblem of loyalty to the laws of Jehovah). The terrible condition and appearance of Sinai. The request of the people for Moses to thereafter do the speaking lest they die. Thirty days later they break their agreement. God slays three thousand for their rebellion. Moses pleads for their restoration to God and the renewal of the covenant. God grants the request. The building of the tabernacle. Renewed. The colors used in the curtains. The rams' skins dyed red as a covering. The making of the garments of the priests bearing the same colors. The anointing and consecration of the priests to their office. All like a story of romance made up of supernatural events of fact. Such is the book of Exodus.

Rules Governing the Kindergarten System of Teaching.

Note.—There were no written laws or scripture prior to the giving of the laws on Sinai. Paul speaks thus of giving the written law, "For till the law, sin was in the world." Rom. 5. Abraham "kept God's commandments, his statutes and laws." Thus they existed but not written. Paul in speaking of the Abrahamic covenant and the one at Sinai, says: "The law which was four hundred and thirty years after." Gal. 3:17. There being no written law is the reason why the object lesson system was in vogue since the days of Adam. And then at Sinai it was written for the first time.

It is very necessary to understand the lesson taught by each offering if we would know the truth. God also used certain days of worship to be set apart to teach certain lessons. Also certain observance to be performed on different occasions. All to teach some lesson of truth. We have given in "The Yellow Peril" rules governing the study of prophecy.

We will here introduce certain rules in order to understand the kindergarten teaching of the laws.

First, the law required the one defiled by touching a dead body to remain out of the camp seven days. The ground to be tilled six years and not to be tilled or sown the seventh. The blood to be sprinkled seven times before the vail. The seventh year to be the release of all debts. The seventh year to be the release of slaves sold for debt. In various other instances is the use of the number seven. These all teach the duration of the world till the new earth will be ushered in seven thousand years from the creation.

Second, each appointed season of worship at stated seasons had an application and education for the people then, and now. Also there was in them a future time of prophetic fulfillment.

Third, the tabernacle and all the services connected with it was educational in its purpose. Each part of the material used as well as the service, taught some special lesson of truth. It was an educational center for all Israel. No other place or service of the kind was permitted. The tabernacle and its service was the great object lesson for all.

Fourth. In the cloud with its colors of the bow in the time of rain, each color taught a specific lesson.

Fifth. The organization, the order of encampment, the location of each tribe, taught a great future lesson on the final inheritance of the saints.

Sixth. The land of Canaan was an object lesson of the final inheritance of Israel.

Seventh. The two houses, Israel and Judah, last till probation closes and Israel is gathered. Then the house of Israel ceases, and there will be one king over all. He will rule on the throne of his glory. The throne of grace then ends. Eze. 37.

Eighth. The Aaronic priesthood represented the priesthood of Melchisedec which is Christ, who rules in heaven as our high priest. The cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night taught a great lesson of the future to the remnant. Isaiah 4th chapter. Also safely in the everlasting burning.

The Service and Offerings.

when the lake of fire comes Israel will dwell

First. The altar of sacrifice out side the tabernacle taught the great sacrifice made for us through Christ. As the offering was killed and laid on the altar, it taught that we were willing to sacrifice all, even our life, and suffer with him that we might reign with him. The blood which contains the life was poured at the bottom of the altar when the animal was slain. This signified that we offered our lives and that our life was under the altar as a witness to our sacrifice for him. The animal being consumed taught that our life was to be wholly consumed in the Master's service. The washing of the inwards and the legs and feet, taught that those only who had been made clean inwardly and whose feet and legs were consecrated to God's service could make the consecration complete. It also taught their feet were not "swift to shed blood." Neither to be tale-bearers, but they were shod with the gospel of peace and innocency. "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of the gospel." The burning of the fat, (fat being an emblem of sin) signified that all our sins were consumed. The portion of the animal which was to go to the priest as his, signified that we were willing to support the laborer for he "was worthy of his hire." Says Paul, "They which minister at the altar are partakers of the altar." Thus God ordained that those "who preach the gospel shall live of the gospel." Abraham met the angel with a basin of water for his feet, signifying the relations of peace be-

tween them. Christ washed the disciples' feet for the same purpose, and so do all saints. The altar of sacrifice being out side, signified it was the door to the church of the firstborn. It is at that altar where Christ the true door meets the applicant. "He that will not forsake all is not worthy of me."

Five Principle Offerings Made.

The first is the burnt offering. There are used the following offerings for a burnt offering. First, a bullock. Second, a male sheep, or goat. Next a turtle dove or young pigeon. No hands are to be laid on the head of the burnt offering of consecration. The offering must be the result "of his own free and voluntary will." The burnt offering we have already described in the foregoing. The next is "the meat offering." This offering is not made of an animal but of the products of the ground. The word meat signifies food. God requires his portion of all the products of the ground. So the next offering which comes in its consecutive order is the food offering, due the Lord for the support of his work in the world. The food offering was to be of fine flour with oil poured on it with frankincense. Bread is the staff of life made from the flour. Oil is a symbol of the spirit of God. The Lord wants only that which the spirit puts into the heart to give. We must not give grudgingly, but cheerfully.

The next is the peace offering. Peace means reconciliation. Hence applies to a newly converted person. So he brings the animal to the door of the tabernacle, lays his hands on its head, asking God's mercy with confession of sin, then kills the animal. The priest takes the blood and sprinkles it round about on the altar. The peace offering can be either a lamb or a goat according to conditions. The next is a sin offering. The animals used for a sin offering are a bullock, a sheep, a goat, male or female, according to conditions. The next is the trespass offering. Trespass is sin known to be wrong. For this the offering is the female sheep, or goat, turtle dove or young pigeons, or even fine flour without oil or frankincense on it. The offender is required to confess his guilt. In addition, there are certain cases where the offender was required to bring a ram.

The above are the principle offerings to be made. See Lev. chapters one to six. The laying on of hands was a symbol of imploring the blessing of God on the penitent and the curse of God on such as make no repentance. Blessings and cursings come on our own pate. The use of water in washing was emblematic of cleansing. The continual fire on the altar never to go out, taught our daily and hourly consecration to God and the final destruction of sin and sinners in the lake of fire. Circumcision taught our final inheritance promised to Abraham on conditions of being converted at heart and not marrying with other nations of unbelievers. Circumcised the eighth day taught we would receive the inheritance eight thousand years from creation.

Special Numbers Used.

The scriptures are systematically constructed. This system must be known if we would understand its teaching. I have before called attention to the use of the number seven, and the lesson taught by its use. Namely, the age of the world. It also stands for completeness in certain places. The number forty is another common number. Ninevah was warned forty days before hand of its overthrow. Israel was in the wilderness forty years. Samuel, Saul, David and Solomon each ruled Israel forty years in succession. Other kings did the same. It rained forty days before the flood. Moses was in the mount on two oc-

casions with God, each time forty days. Christ fasted forty days. These with many more did not happen to be so, but taught a lesson of forty years in the feast of tabernacles. As Israel spied out the land forty days, the Lord said Israel would dwell in the wilderness forty years. That great experience to which the whole scripture points as one of the most remarkable in history is to be lived over again just prior to the coming of Christ when Israel will again dwell in booths which will appear later. So I understand the frequent use of the number forty has their central point. Namely, to the great truth of the future feast of tabernacles.

The number three is also a number so often used. Its central point is the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. Let the student look up this line of thought till it becomes fixed in the mind, then in reading the scriptures they will see their use.

The building of the temple to which we in another place call attention. The whole structure was to teach the complete organization of Israel with the teaching also of the law and the gospel. No text book is so well prepared to give the mind such a logical training as is the Bible.

Only the burnt offering, the meat offering and the peace offering were burned on the altar. The sin offering was burned without the camp. In the covenant made with Abraham, the everlasting covenant which was confirmed by the death of Christ, and sealed with his blood, the offering bought by Abraham was three years old. Hence the full grown ram represents, first, Christ when here, and second, a person of responsibility in knowledge and age, who offers it. These are all rules to be learned in order to understand the Bible. When the five books of Moses are once familiar, then the whole Bible can be easily understood. In order to understand symbolic teaching these rules must be learned well. Both as used in the law and second, as used by the prophets, in the study of prophecy. With this instruction we are prepared to proceed.

The symbols further used are the pine, the cedar, the olive and the fir trees. These represent the Lord's people. The cedar is a symbol of Christ. Hence used in the construction of the tabernacle. The oaks of Bashon symbolized the rulers of that country. The bramble when used signified a worthless, unprincipled person. These trees represent men. A bullock represents as stated a person of mature age. It taught the original sin of Adam. So it is used to represent the original sin in us. Hence used by the high priest and also the whole congregation as a sin offering. The heifer three years old taught the original sin of our mother Eve, who was first in the transgression. It is used also by the people to teach the lesson of salvation from that death which passed upon all men. The heifer being red with no spot on her, taught that sin covered us all over leaving no clean thing in us. The calf is used to teach original innocence, when a man is fully restored through forgiveness. The lamb represents Christ as an offering for the sin of the world. Also used by individuals when faith is exercised in Christ for forgiveness. The ram is used to represent Christ when here. The tabernacle was covered with rams' skins dyed red, signifying Christ the sin bearer, in his ministry. The priest and people also used the ram showing their faith in him and their consecration to the work of Christ. The goat represents a civil ruler of the Lord's people, who has sinned ignorantly in his work. Lev., chapters one to six. It is used the same by the people for a sin offering. No unclean animal is used, neither any which has a blemish. Let

these rules be well established in the mind. The students can't progress till they are learned.

LEVIATHAN: WHAT IS IT?

By I. C. Sultz.

In spite of the fact that the minor prophets use over and over the expression, "In the latter days" and "In that day," ministers who claim to be students of prophecy will contend that these prophecies had their fulfillment in ancient times.

In the forty-first chapter of the book of Job we find a very unique description of Leviathan. In Isa. twenty-seventh chapter the prophet completes the description carrying it to its final destiny and locates definitely the time when the prophecy has its application. Verse one says, "IN THAT DAY (which is the same as the expression, In the latter days) the Lord with his sore and great and strong sword, shall punish leviathan, the piercing serpent, even Leviathan that crooked serpent, and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea."

Should anyone be in doubt as to the meaning of IN THAT DAY, let him note what follows: What does he punish with his sword? "And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations" Rev. 19.50. When will he smite the nations? All will say, at his coming, at the battle of Armageddon. Therefore we must conclude that the whole prophecy has its application in the last days.

Now what are the main features or characteristics of leviathan? First, it is a nation to be slain at his coming. Second, it must be of great prominence at the coming of the Lord. Third, it is an island power. Fourth, it lies in the shape of a serpent. Fifth, it is called the dragon in the sea. Sixth, it is a piercing serpent.

Now let the reader look the world over and see if he can identify the leviathan. Unquestionably the eye must rest on Japan as the only nation in the whole world that fulfills the six specifications mentioned above. Of course it is Japan, and always will be Japan. That Japan is coming into great prominence there is no question. It is an island power. Its physical outline is that of a serpent. Its nature is the same. The dragon in the sea, indicates that it is an unrelenting heathen power. At this point I must use Elder Rupert's illustration of the lost horse. The owner will describe specifically the animal to be searched for, describing all the marks, brands, color, weight, etc. Anyone finding the animal takes it up with the assurance that there are no two animals that will answer to the same description. So the prophets use this method all through their writings.

It matters not whether we believe that Leviathan is Japan or not. The description says that Japan is the nation that fills the bill.

Let those who are always studying Daniel 2, 7, 8 and 9 stop and take a glance at some of the other Old Testament prophecies and see if they do not mention many things equally as important as the book of Daniel. A careful study of these prophecies will remove that narrowness found in teaching just one or two books and give the student a chance to teach the whole Bible. I thank the Lord that I have such confidence in the whole scripture that I am not afraid to believe and teach it.

In Eze. 38 we learn that the heathen nations unite with Gog (Russia) in their warfare on professed Christendom during the time of trouble. "And thou shalt come against my people, Israel, as a cloud to

cover the land; it shall be in the latter days." V. 16.

Japan being the chief of the heathen nations will no doubt be the main factor on the side of the heathen in that struggle. Do you realize why she so mysteriously stepped out of the late war? It was for this very reason, "In measure when it shooteth forth, thou wilt debate with it: he stayeth his rough wind in the day of the east wind." Isa. 27:8. The rough wind being Armageddon and the east wind, the kings of the east against Christendom. He shot fourth in the late war but was debated with and is now preparing and waiting for the proper time. It simply stood by and took lessons in all the horrors of warfare.

"Upon earth there is not his like who is made without fear. He beholdeth all high things. HE IS A KING OVER ALL THE CHILDREN OF PRIDE." Job 41:33, 34. "Out of his breath kindleth coals and a flame goeth out of his mouth." V. 21. Nearly everyone knows how fire was used in the late war. No doubt it will be used much more effectively by the heathen. The desastating effect is vividly described by the prophet in these words: "Yet the defenced city shall be desolate, and the habitation forsaken and left like a wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down and consume the branches thereof." Isa. 27:10. The calf here mentioned is leviathan as united with the rest of the heathen who seem for a while to be master of the situation.

"By this shall the iniquity of Jacob be purged; and this is ALL THE FRUIT to take away his sin: when he maketh all the stones of the altar chalk stones that are beaten in sunder, the groves and the images shall not stand up." V. 9. Let the reader note that this is all the fruit, this closes the drama, the number of the saved are made up and God's work in the earth for sinners comes to a close. Not an honest soul will then be left in all the churches of Babylon as their systems of worship will totter and fall.

Space will not permit of a discussion of the entire two chapters referred to above, but the reader can continue the study at his leisure. Suffice it to say that a careful study of these two chapters will reveal the fact that Japan will in the near future surprise the entire world with its power and destructive inventions of warfare.

That Japan has come to be a very great nation goes without saying. Fifty years ago she was practically an isolated nation of small importance. Now she is feared by other nations because of her greatness. England and the United States have concluded that they must stand shoulder to shoulder in order to cope with the little nation that has in such a short time grown to be a wealthy warlike monster. She has made loans to China till she practically controls all the important factories and major industries of that great nation.

For several years Japan has had men in military training in the United States acquainting themselves with the methods of warfare and habits of Americans. She now has German officers training her soldiers in her own country. You see by this that she recognizes Germany's methods of warfare as superior to that of any other nation. This gives us an inkling of the coming conflict. She is now sending military officers into China to train the Chinese in the latest that she has learned. By this we see that when the time comes for God to use the heathen to punish his professed people for their transgression of his law, China will tread to the music of Japan.

If Japan is not Gog at that time by control of Russia, the land of Magog, she will unite with Gog as will all the heathen. Eze. 38:3-7. Making a vast

army of two thirds the population of the world.

About the first of December last there appeared in the Denver Times the following headlines: "CHINESE LEAGUE DELEGATES WARN THAT JAPS ARE PREPARING FOR WAR ON AMERICA. ADVISE U. S. TO BUILD UNDER SEA GIANTS TO COMBAT YELLOW FOE. . . . STRUGGLE MAY COME IN 1924."

Many are now agreed that on account of our very strained relations with Japan on the imigration question, that war is inevitable. But Japan will not declare war till the time for the kings of the east to move out. This is called by the prophets, "The time of the heathen."

Jeremiah's warning to leave Babylon applies at this time. "My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the Lord. And lest your heart faint, and ye fear for the rumor that shall be heard in the land: a rumor shall come in one year, and after that in an other year shall come a rumor, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler." Jer. 51:45, 46.

In the above scripture is given the sign for the remnant to leave Babylon. Whether the rumor spoken of is a declaration of war from the heathen, or the enforcement of the mark of the beast, I cannot at present say. I will leave this for those who are more competent.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered ONE BY ONE, O YE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL." Isa. 27:12. It would seem from this that the remnant will be gathered as the kings of the east begin to move. The way of the kings of the east is here called the channel of the river. The remnant to be gathered, not as a whole church, but ONE BY ONE.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the Lord in the holy mount at Jerusalem." The modern land of Assyria is always the land of the heathen. Egypt in the above as in some other scripture applies to professed Christendom. By this we see that the remnant are gathered from the entire world. The lessons taught by the prophets have their culmination in the last days; therefore we must study not only a part of the scriptures but the entire book.

The "We don't believe this part of the Bible age," will soon be a thing of the past. May the Lord help all honest souls to get down to business.

Maybell, Colo.

URGES WAR ON BOLSHEVISM

Former Commander-in-Chief of German Armies in East Says If Red Terror Is Not Conquered It Will Engulf Europe.

Bolshevism must be smashed or it will engulf Europe.

This is the belief of General Hoffman, former commander-in-chief of the German army in the east and one of the leading German representatives at the Brest-Litovsk peace conference, the result of which was to take Russia out of the war. General Hoffman, who had much to do with sending Lenine into Russia to demoralize the Russian armies, now favors an international army to invade Russia and drive the Bolsheviks out of power. Unless this is done he predicts the engulfing of Europe by the Red Terror.

"All the armed efforts to overthrow the Soviet government made hitherto—by Kolchak, Denikine and Wrangel—have simply served to strengthen the Soviet government," says General Hoffman. "The leaders of the volunteer armies have failed to measure properly the strength of the Soviet armies and the dexterity of the Red devil. The anti-Bolshevist generals fell victims of their own mistakes, their over-confidence and the complexities of the international situation. The army of General Wrangel suffered defeat chiefly because it was supported only by France.

Can Be Crushed Easily.

"I declare emphatically that Bolshevism can be crushed into dust by a real, international armed force. An international army corps, composed, among others, of the troops of General Wrangel evacuated from the Crimea under the general command of a Russian, could liquidate the Soviet government in very short time. Such an international corps, beginning operations in the vicinity of Petrograd, could very soon clear Russia of its 3,000 Bolsheviki. I mean the 3,000 commissars. The rest are simply Bolshvik tools, operating within the Bolshevik bureaucracy.

"The international force I suggest would meet with very little resistance, for it would not be a national army but one composed of international scum and riff-raff. I know full well the fighting quality of the Red army, which is very much exaggerated. The Soviet herdes would turn to flight at the very first clash with well armed opponents.

German Strategists Needed.

"We Germans do not seek to play the leading role in the overthrow of the Russian tyranny. It is all the same to me who will lead the international anti-Bolshevik army—Pershing, Joffre or Foch—but the participation of German strategists is necessary to success.

"The Soviet of People's Commissaries will capitulate immediately upon the fall of Petrograd or Dno."

Commenting on the part he himself played to break up the Russian armies, General Hoffman says:

"As the commander in chief of the eastern front I was in charge of propaganda within the Russian army. While the war was in progress the general staff, of course, used everything possible to break through the Russian front. One of the measures we utilized—call it poison gas or anything you please—was Lenine.

"The imperial German government transported Lenine into Russia in a sealed car for a definite purpose. Lenine and his friends demoralized the Russian army with our consent. State Secretary Kuhlmann, Count Czernin and myself concluded peace with them at Brest-Litovsk for no other purpose than to be able to shift our armies to the west front.

"While negotiating at Brest with these gentlemen we were deeply convinced that they would not stay in power more than two or three weeks. I ask you to believe the word of honor of a German general that had we been able to foresee the consequences, the misfortunes which would befall humanity as a result of our dispatch of Lenine to Russia, we would never have entered into relations with the Bolsheviki under any circumstances."—Selected from Utica (N. Y.) Saturday Globe (Jan. 22, 1921).

WHY DID SACRIFICES AND OBLATIONS CEASE? Dan. 9:27.

It has been taught that the death of Christ caused the sacrifices and oblations to cease because they were no longer of any good. That type met antitype, hence, they ended.

The above I now hold to be a gross error and a misapplication of the text. No one claims that Christ caused oblations to cease, for they are all willing to receive oblations still. I ask in what sense if it was Christ that caused these things to cease, was it caused to cease? I answer, the death of Christ marked the end of the old covenant with the Jewish people, as a nation. The covenant "then vanished away," and by doing so, as the text next states the way was now open for the over spreading of abominations, (Roman army in A. D. 70) "to make it desolate till the consumation." End of the world, and that determined (time set). The end of the world being determined it shall then be poured upon the desolator. Thus the ending of the sacrifice had no reference whatever to type meeting antitype or doing away with the law. We can only say it is too bad that such gross errors should be taught to the people.

We are further told that the rending of the veil signified that all the law had then been fulfilled. Too bad that such a text could not be found to sustain it.

That tabernacle was the tabernacle of the covenant. It did show that that covenant no longer existed. Decay set in when the crown and diadem was removed and the ephod, the ark and so on at the captivity were taken away, and now the last vestage ended so far as God was concerned when the death of Christ took place. Why can't our teachers see some of these plain things?

A LETTER

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Britton, Okla.

Dear Brother Rupert:

For the first time we get a chance to write you with a small check; use as you wish.

The "Remnant" has reached us quite regularly here and have read it with much interest, and note the progress shown with great thankfulness and pray that truth—sifted out—may be received by many hearts in fruitfulness to the glory of God and Jesus Christ our Elder Brother.

See some statement about the health of Sr. R. and hope for complete recovery.

Mrs. B. gains in strength and find the climate and water good for her and I enjoy the change very much, tho still held at our temporal home at all time nights and only an hour or so of necessity in day time. Have become quite largely known by the life we live and what we teach, holding a study different Sabbaths as friends come in. See Sr. Doury still hustles and lets the runs and cost be pretty well known. We pray she may be regulated by the spirit more and more usefully. Also Bro. Schenk seems wide awake and earnest, with others falling in line. Good!

We enjoyed your preface to new edition of the "Yellow Peril," also the broad view of the one gospel and the presentation of the one true church. Remember us to the "girls," and hope for Lucile that she may find divine help in the correspondence studies.

We join in Christian fellowship,

M. S. BABCOCK AND WIFE.

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AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

Brother Lloyd Shanklin and wife desire to purchase a new tent for gospel field work this next season, which starts soon. Those desiring to help them purchase a new tent will kindly do so with any amount they feel like giving to help this splendid work along. Send direct to us or Lloyd Shanklin, Springville, Iowa, and he will receipt you for the same.

THE COMING PASSOVER.

Remember the feast of unleavened bread for seven days begins with the Passover on the fourth of April which is the fourteenth day of the first month. The first month beginning with the spring equinox which was the beginning of creation. The Passover begins fourteen days from that date. The night they left Egypt it was observed by each family, or by a sufficient number to eat the lamb prepared. Later it was observed at the place where the tabernacle was pitched. Since the captivity the ark, the high priest, the ephod and sacrifice there was removed. So it falls back to family or small gatherings again for its observance. Especially is that the case now with the remnant scattered abroad over the world. When the feast of tabernacles comes again then we will all be in one place. Note the time and let all observe it. Read what we have said, especially the article in last issues of the paper—"The Beginning."

GOOD OMENS.

The truth we are teaching is causing "The heathen to rage, and the people imagine a vain thing." All of which is a good omen. A minister lately sent to his relatives some of my literature with his criticisms. The result was those who received it wrote me for more and have embraced the teaching. In another place Satan is trying very hard to work against the reading of the Old Testament and the laws. In another place Satan is stirring up to opposition those who are working for a certain sect. There his tactics are to report that I am a very wealthy man, owning bank stock, lots of land, and that I am now a director of a bank. Still another criticises the manner in which I am advertising my books. These with many more of such a character come to me.

This is all very encouraging. A bird never flutters till it is shot. A dog gets mad before he bites. The devil only gets angry and begins to lie when some thing must be done to save his cause. These are all good omens. But the best of all is the fact that as Paul says, "Whose mouths must be stopped." This has also been accomplished with the truth we teach. Namely, not a sect or individual of standing has ever

peeped to show wherein our teaching was wrong, though the teaching has struck at the very foundation on which their structure was founded. Scores of their people have been lost to their cause by our teaching. Still not a sound has been heard from them. Their membership has written them to meet the question. We have also asked them to do the same. But silence still reigns. We say this is encouraging. The fortifications of a harmonious truth is surely hard to overthrow. It will triumph when all else, Satan included, fails and lands in the lake of fire. You can't stop Satan from telling lies but as to Bible doctrine he shuts up like a clam.

THE LESSONS.

I wish to say that I have been especially interested in the preparations of these lessons. Many new and beautiful thoughts are being brought out in them. I have now reached to near twenty-eight hundred questions. Answered in most every case by direct scripture. I can see there will be three thousand by the time I am through the Old Testament.

There is another encouraging feature. Namely, some are sending in their lessons for the grading to be passed on. This touches my heart as I see those who are anxious to know the whole Bible. This series is no child's play. It means work both on my part and also the student.

Several new subscriptions have come in. There should be hundreds of new subscribers. It is surely something on which to secure subscriptions, for the answer is strictly undenominational, and each chapter is examined in consecutive order. I told a party recently that no denomination could possibly publish such lessons, for as sure as they did the Bible and not us would make them trouble.

That is a truth. Satan cannot counterfeit the truth when it is all taken as written in consecutive order and understood as one story. It leaves no place for Satan to enter. His mouth is stopped. I think I can now see a great work to be accomplished by this our last effort as a place where it fits with the whole of our teaching.

Do work for subscriptions if you wish to do a good work. Nothing but success is ahead when the word of God alone is the central point to which we work.

Read the eighth, ninth and tenth chapters of **Nehemiah**, especially the tenth if you would know what constitutes a true revival and what it means to be a Christian. Then practice it. This instruction is now applicable to all true reformers on truth. If this is done the blessing will come to all who do it and the cause in general.

COMMUNICATED

Those worldly, human, visible church organizers are at work again, perfecting schemes whereby they can fasten their systems upon the people through religious patriotism to the church, bringing in their commandments of men for doctrine, and running up their "Blue" or Sunday law flags, thereby repudiating the truth taught by the Reformation reformers, and doing all they can to lead us back to the church of Rome. However let us all remember that:

The Church of God of the Bible, was, is, and always will be, only undenominational. Its organization is spiritual and divine, not human. Its only tests of fellowship are, "The Commandments of God and the Faith of Jesus." Its standard, "The Word of God, the whole Word of God, and nothing but the Word of God."—A Reader.