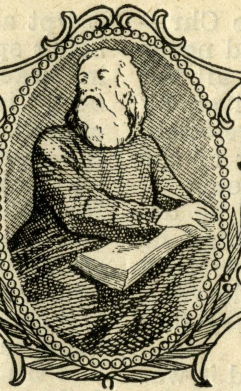


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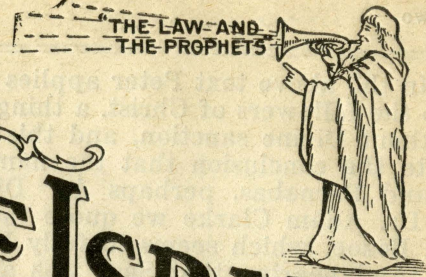
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Stumbling Stones

The professed people of God stumbled over Christ being the rock of Israel. It was plainly stated in the writings of Moses that from the night Jacob slept on the rock for a pillow, from that time forward "The Shepherd (Christ) should be the stone of Israel." When Christ appeared and claimed to be that rock on which the true church was builded and would be completed, the Jewish priests and rulers stumbled over the position taken. To see and know the true church and its true head has been a stone of stumbling in the entire history of the church from the beginning.

There is no subject less understood in our day than the story of the true church. This lack of knowledge is the cause of some four hundred sects and organizations now existing calling themselves the church. When the real facts are, not one of them is the church, neither are they representatives of the church of Jesus Christ. All have some traits and doctrines of the true church. But each has more errors than they have truth. This is easily seen when compared with the true church, with Christ as its head and only organizer. Men have tried to name each organization made by them with some name which would indicate them to be the legitimate church. The word Catholic means universal, thus claiming they are the universal and only church. Other names are used in the same manner.

"PEOPLE'S CHRISTIAN BULLETIN."

The above is the title of an excellently edited paper published in New York City. The editor is one who has seen a certain amount of light sufficient to cause him to leave other organizations. He now claims to belong to the true church of which Christ is the head, called in the scriptures, "the church of the first born." In the Bulletin of June, 1921, the editor writes much on the church question. He sets forth in an able manner the absurdity of sects and denominationalism, showing them not to be the true church of Christ, but on the contrary their confusion of doctrines and headships of leaders make them the daughters of Babylon. He shows the necessity of the true people coming out of her and becoming connected with the true church of the first born, whose names

are written in heaven. In all of this I truly endorse the position taken. But to the last part of the editor's position we are compelled to offer objections.

Under a subheading the title is, "**Has God given a distinctive name to His church.**"

To this question he says, "What says the Bible? Now I can say the same, What says the Bible? The following as taken from the Bulletin gives the position of the editor concerning the name:

"Has God Given a Distinctive Name to His Church?"

"But," asks one, "What shall we do in this matter?" The only source of information that can in any way assist the real child of God in this matter is the Bible, and the Bible says:

"And the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch." —Acts 11:26.

"It is generally supposed that the name Christian was a nick-name, given to early believers by their enemies, and that the name Christian should not be accepted as the name for the church. Just here we are obliged to dissent because we are satisfied from our study and research along this line that the name Christian was not given to the disciples by their enemies.

"Their enemies called all of Christ's followers 'Nazarenes,' 'Galileans,' 'the men of their way or sect,' and perhaps other names, but they did not call them Christians until the disciples used the name first. Before the incident recorded in Acts 11:26, the disciples and their converts called themselves 'saints,' 'disciples,' 'believers,' 'the assembly,' etc.

"How then came the name 'Christian'? A careful study of that text will clear up the whole matter. It appears from various readings of the text that the disciples were never called Christians until this meeting at Antioch, where Paul and Barnabas met with the church and continued a whole year.

"It is evident that the name Christian is from Christ, just as the Platonists derived their name from Plato. It is evident, too, that no other name can so well express not only His teaching but His life as well.

"From its universal adoption, also, it appears quite evident that the disciples did not only not object to the name, but accepted it is an honored name. Peter says:

"Yet if any man suffer as a Christian (as a by-word), let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf."

"In the above text Peter applies the name Christian to the followers of Christ, a thing he would never do without Divine sanction, and this leads us all the more to the conclusion that the name was given by Paul and Barnabas, perhaps by Divine revelation. From Dr. Adam Clarke we quote the reading of the Codex Bezae, which seems to fully bear this out:

"And hearing that Saul was at Tarsus, he departed, seeking for him; and having found him, he besought him to come to Antioch; who, when they were come, assembled with the church a whole year, and instructed a great number; and there they first called the disciples at Antioch Christians."

"This rendering seems to make it clear and it was Saul (Paul) and Barnabas who called the disciples Christians, first, at Antioch.

"In our common version of Acts 11:26, the word rendered 'were called,' is the Greek word *chrematisai*, which means, to appoint, nominate, or warn by Divine direction, and the word is thus used in Acts 11:22, Matt. 2:12 and Luke 2:26. Hence, there seems to be but one conclusion even from the Greek text itself, and that is that, Paul and Barnabas were Divinely instructed to give the name Christian to the disciples and this was done first at Antioch.

"'Christian,' then, is the name that God has selected for His people and for His church. What name could more fully express what they were? They were not only learners from Christ, but they, as His disciples, lived the Christ life.

"No creed alone could claim that name, the name which always and forever points to Him who established no religion, who dictated no creed, but lived a life, a divine life. Christianity, then, stands for a life, the life of God in Jesus Christ, and that is the name and the only fitting name by which to call the church of God in the earth.

"To this end we have labored, to have all drop their purely man-made names and call themselves Christian. We have God's authority back of it, and no other name will do. Hence in New York City and elsewhere we call ourselves Christians because that is just what we are and ever hope to be. Our churches are known by that name. You may say that to take that name will associate us with a church (The Disciples, or Campbellites) who have already taken that name and have had it for many years. This makes but little difference to us. No person can patent right or copyright that name. It is God's name for his church. Our New York City church and others are known as "The People's Christian Church" and our paper is the "People's Christian Bulletin"; and of that name we can only say that we are happy to know that we are following the Divine instructions given through Paul and Barnabas to the Christians at Antioch. Instead of the narrow denominational and sectarian names, we have a name that fully covers the case of every soul who knows God and is in harmony with the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, we can welcome all who name the name of Christ by the same name and call them our brethren.

"Let all who have separated themselves unto the Lord, and from the denominations and sects of the day, take that name, the name divinely given to the followers of our Lord and His Christ."

We now ask, Why has the editor been calling the church by the name of "the first born"? He does not explain. We will take the liberty of doing that. That name was added to the church when the church left

Egypt and the first born were redeemed by the blood being sprinkled on the door posts that eventful night in Israel's history. Hence, "the church of the first born" is not as the editor says, a **New Testament church**. This is all plainly shown in our comments on the woman of Revelation, twelfth chapter. The woman there introduced was older than the birth of Christ, for she was expecting his birth. See our tract on the two women of Revelation 12 and 17. This is the stumbling stone over which both houses of Israel have ever stumbled. Namely, to locate the beginning of the church and connect the story with every historical event in the story of the Bible as one church, one faith, one truth, one law and one gospel in every age. This failure causes today the hundreds of organizations of men, and millions of differences among the people. All because this story is not connected into one story with one faith and one head in every age of the world. If this was done then there would be no Babylon.

On the question of a name, we offer the following: First, what does the word Israel mean? It was first mentioned as given to Jacob. The cause for him receiving that name was the fact that he prevailed with God. He as a prince overcame and received the blessing. Hence, the name Israel had always meant the same to every child of God who was an overcomer since the days of Adam. Why are the remnant people of God so often spoken of as the "Remnant of Israel"? Because they are overcomers and belong to the one church which existed from the beginning. Is it not strange that men who claim to be Bible teachers overlook the plain facts of Israel being but one church, one story, one truth, one faith from the beginning to the end? But that will not suit the ambitions of men. Each must have some distinguishing name to separate and divide the flock, "while they sit in the temple of God showing themselves to be God." At least His true and only representative on earth. It seems I can see that such is not the desire of the editor. Namely, to become such a head. But not knowing the real truth he has stumbled into the same ditch of all others. Namely, to date the church from "New Testament times" in the place of seeing the great truth of one church and one principal name in every age and that name is **Israel**. The "**Remnant of Israel**" stands at all times for the remnant of the people of God in the last days. That proves them to be of the same family and of the same church, the body of Christ, while He is the head. Man never organized the church of Israel. Man's workmanship has not built it, only as Christ directed his work. The foundation was not laid by men. Man never placed a true gift in that church. All the editor says in favor of the word Christian is nothing.

Who first called the disciples at Antioch Christians? The article says the Lord gave the apostles that name. Does not the editor know that the apostles were not authorized to start a new church, much less to name it? The next text used shows to me it was a stigma placed on the disciples, for it says, "If any suffer as a Christian let him not be ashamed." This shows plainly it was placed on them by their enemies. There is another point which shows weakness. Namely, to quote from Adam Clarke as authority after saying we take the Bible and the Bible only.

Under the title, "**Local Church Membership**," the writer tries to show that members joined their names to these churches as is the practice today. We quote:

"When the Spirit-filled assembly after Pentecost

saw the marvelous signs and wonders wrought by the apostles, great fear came upon all, and those who were not willing to surrender all to Christ were fearful to unite with the church, as it is written:

“Of the rest no man ventured to JOIN THEM.” Acts 5:13, Twentieth Cent. N. T.

“The Emphatic Diaglot renders this text as follows:

“Of the others no one presumed to join himself to them.”

“This is in substantial agreement with every rendering we have seen and proves that men and women ‘JOINED THEM’ of their own free volition and choice; and that although many attended their meetings, they were not reckoned of them until they ‘JOINED.’ This should be sufficient evidence for those inclined to believe God’s Word and the words are so plain that they need no construction.

“You may ask then, if a record of the membership was kept in a roll book of any kind, to which we can only say that the Scriptures make it quite clear that there was something of this kind, although we do not know that they called it ‘List of Members,’ ‘Roll Book,’ ‘Membership Book’ or any thing of the kind, but that they had some kind of a record is evidenced from the fact that their deaconesses were enrolled. Paul said to Timothy:

“Let none be ENROLLED as a widow under three score years old.—1 Timothy 5:9 Revised.

“With this rendering agrees the American Revised Version, and almost every other rendering we have seen. The Emphatic Diaglot renders this:

“Let no widow be ENROLLED less than sixty years old.”

“The word ‘enroll’ is found in the original Greek text.

“The ‘Twentieth Century New Testament’ renders this:

“A widow, when her name is ADDED TO THE LIST, should not be less than sixty years old.”

“The ‘New Testament in Modern Speech’ gives it:

“No widow is to be PUT ON THE ROLL who is under sixty years of age.”

“Now, can any person imagine how one could be ‘enrolled,’ ‘added to the list’ or ‘be put on the roll’ if they had no book or list? The fact that they had such lists for the deaconesses is evidence sufficient to any thinking man that they had some sort of a membership roll or list.

“We have given just what we see in the New Testament, of facts concerning the New Testament church.”

Now, if these Scriptures are used correctly then what is the difference between this **so-called Christian church** and other denominations? They have a name. They join under that name. They teach such doctrines as they believe to be truth (though it is not on the church question and many other things). Now tell me where the difference comes in? Are they not a sect? All that is required is to call yourself Christian says the writer, and you are extended the full fellowship. If this is the condition then it means that the name is the greatest point of fellowship.

In conclusion I ask, Is not the record of the Bible sufficient as a guide? Is not the church as started in the beginning sufficient? Is not Christ all and in all as the head of that church, and all any one needs? Cannot He place such gifts in His church as He wishes? Are not all His doctrines essential? And finally, if

all true followers obey God and belong to that church is not that sufficient for every time of need?

Why then try to name a certain class and have them **join** that class in order to have the fellowship of that class? For one I am perfectly satisfied and have never seen any need of any other organization or name from that which is already given the church in the Bible. **Israel suits me.** The prophet, speaking of the remnant of Israel, says, “They will subscribe the name Israel.” “They will call themselves by the name of Jacob,” and will say, I am the Lord’s.” Isaiah 44:3-5. If anyone will but learn the history of the remnant they will soon learn the true church is ever under the name of Israel and its organization is of God alone. As completely organized of old and especially in the days of their journey in the wilderness.

Why not get the whole truth? Why not accept the light God is now trying to give his remnant people? No man has a patent on truth. No man controls another’s faith. No man has power to organize men to be subject to another. The principal thing is to get our name in heaven, then all is well. Why try in the least manner to give any name but that found from the beginning? Why in any way try to name and established a church dating from when Christ was here? Has there not been a universal church from the beginning? Hasn’t the church had disciples (learners) from the beginning, as much as it has since Christ was here? And just so of all titles given it is in the Bible. We then say, Cut out that date line when Christ was here in teaching the doctrines of the church and every other doctrine as something new since that date line. People have stumbled over that date line long enough. Do cease such foolishness and know the truth.

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We want the coming year to be by far the greatest year in our experience in this message. One of the great ways of accomplishing this is to secure new subscribers for the "Remnant." There will be a liberal discount to agents who will secure subscriptions. The paper has had a hard time for six years past. But, thank the Lord, it is growing even if it is slow. We go on the policy that truth cannot fail, so the "Remnant" is sure to succeed. Who will join with us in the campaign for the coming year? I want to have it one of the best years of my life if I am spared. Don't you? I know you do, so the way to make it so is just to go at it in earnest to do something for the cause of truth. May God bless to the spreading of the message is my daily prayer.

I presume it would greatly surprise the readers if they knew how much has come to me for my labor on the paper. It is easy summed up by saying "nothing." I have received donations, but I would say, to the best of my knowledge, the donations which come to this office do not meet the printer's bill including all subscriptions. So don't get the idea I have a fine job. I do say I have the best job for me in the world. I like it and am so thankful I could spend these years doing just what I have done. I hope to do more of the same kind. But as a remunerative job it would be worse than nothing. But as I have said before I am richly paid and have no complaint to offer. I have the choice to quit any time, but don't think I will till I have some good reason different than what has come. I do want to see truth prosper. I do wish to see Zion "arise and shine." I do wish to give that to the people which has watered my own soul so often. I long to see others join with me and receive some of my blessings. I want to see all this. Will you join in the good work of God?

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Provision For the Flesh

There is so much religion in our day which is compelled to make provision for the flesh. I mean by this that so many wish to provide for sin. Knowing they do sin so often though they made a profession, they argue in every way for self-protection. Hence one believes "once in grace, always in grace." Such are too often found in a condition that indicates they are not in grace, though they have claimed they were and still are. Now to avoid any risk of being lost they begin to argue by saying God will not punish or destroy his own child. No earthly parent would dare do that. They do not seem to know that God only adopts conditionally. That condition is that they obey him and prove themselves worthy of eternal life. Showing them what is taught in the Bible. They next say, There is not a man on the earth who keeps the commandments of God. We show them that Zechariah and Elizabeth kept all the commandments of the Lord blameless and that it is the only evidence that a man has ever received grace. The fact that he now is able to do that which he could not do before, namely, keep the law is the proof of his acceptance with God in every case. Thus the provision is being made all the time by the "once in grace" man that he may sin and yet be saved. This argument is all to make provision for the flesh. Paul says, "Make no provision for the flesh." He says, "I dare not confer with flesh and blood." Then says one, if a man is overtaken in a fault who is a child of God what shall he do? The Bible says follow the same rule as in the beginning. Namely, repent and confess that sin and ask God to forgive that sin as you did at the first. But, it is further said that if your sin is so bad and the conditions are such that you have rejected light and wilfully broken the commandments then it is said, "There remaineth no more sacrifice for sin." Hence, you have fallen from grace and grace cannot be renewed to you. Heb. sixth chapter.

Well, says another, making provision for sin, did not Paul find that he desired to do the will of God but could not, and did he not try to do good but evil was present with him, so that he could not do the things he desired to do, but would do the things which he hated? Now says the professor (as good as to say) "that is my condition." Hold on my provider for sin. Just read on and Paul thanks God there is no need of being in that condition longer for he found by experience that that condition only made him miserable, so he says, "Thank God there is now no condemnation to them who live not after the flesh but after the spirit, for the spirit of Christ Jesus has made me free from sin and death, which was in my members." "So that now the righteousness of the law might be obeyed by those who walk not after the flesh but after the spirit." "For the carnal mind is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be." I wish that every provider for sin would gain this same experience that Paul gained, getting in a condition where there is no need of provision for the flesh and sin, being now able to keep the law of our God. The spirit writes the law in the heart. The heart is the center of love. Those who love God with all their soul are able always to keep the law.

A false doctrine leads people to ever be making provision for the flesh and sin. The truth makes men

free from sin. A mere professor, if he has any conscience, is ever miserable and in trouble. We would say, just get where the Lord "will strengthen you with all power by His spirit in the inner man" that you need no provision for the flesh. Get where the law is a delight. Get where you can say, "Oh how I love thy law, in it do I meditate day and night." "If the truth makes you free, then are you free indeed." This shows clearly that such professors do not love the law of God. Just present a duty to them then the argument begins. Just mention denomination, then excuses are given to justify present conditions. How many excuses do you think would be offered if everybody loved the Lord in deed and in truth sufficient to keep His law as it reads? That condition would end all excuses.

IT HAS COME TO PASS.

For many years since I have known much truth from the Bible, I wished that I might accomplish the getting in shape for the benefit of others, what seemed to me to be truth. With that desire, more and more, truth has been unfolding to me. It seemed that as fast as I would accomplish the shaping up of one point, another would be unfolded to me. So with this unfolding of truth the preparation has also increased. As a result of all this long weary exercise of mind and body, six volumes have been written, embracing something near twenty-six hundred pages. Tongue cannot tell of the work and thought it has taken night and day to accomplish this task. At this writing I can say I know of nothing, so far as an outline study of the whole Bible, is lacking to hinder any one knowing all the fundamental themes of the scriptures. These volumes are now all in print. The electro plates are made for five of them so that other copies can be produced on short notice. The sixth is not yet bound in uniform binding as the others, but is as yet in cheaper binding. I can say to all this, the Lord has all the praise. He alone has granted my request. But that is not all He has done. Today the way has opened for a resting place for the work to be carried on for a time at least. We have the control of a brick two story block, finely situated for advertising the work. The upper story, fifty by ninety-four feet, is, as the demand requires, at our control. That being so, I have advertised accordingly, as the accompanying picture on our letter heads show, over it all, the ensign of the Lord with the colors of Israel floats, made on iron, five by ten feet, with the colors beautifully painted on both sides and it turns with the wind, on a staff painted in yellow. It reminds us of the text, "When He lifteth an ensign see ye, and when He bloweth a trumpet, hear ye." Isaiah 18.

What is now needed is, first, the Lord's blessing and guiding hand, which gives prosperity; and second, Him to send out laborers for the harvest is great and the laborers are few. This preparation all being made let every one, in faith, pray to this end. We expect great things. The last two months things are brightening up through the mails. Let us work as never before. May God guide and keep us from mistakes is our daily prayer. We need experienced book men and women. We need experienced women help in the office, such as are willing to work for what the Lord opens the way to pay for their services. Let all now join with us in the grand work.

Mrs. McPherson, The Revivalist

The above is a woman of special interest at this time to the religious people. She is a person of more than ordinary power and influence as a speaker. She impresses deeply those who hear her as having supernatural power. So on her arrival in California, the editor of "The Messiah's Advocate" goes to hear and judge as to the cause of the great influence she wields over her congregations. In his report he says: "First, she is naturally a woman of superior gift as an elocutionist. But that gift has been cultivated and developed to the highest degree. But beyond all this there is a power attending her labors which is supernatural. She is a divine healer, doing miracles which no one can doubt being done by supernatural power." Hence, he concludes, that God is truly working through her as he did through Christ and the disciples of old, and that her revivals are such as were in the days of the apostles.

The report further states that there are some things which the editor is not able to understand. Namely, why the Holy Ghost should teach her to believe men and women go to heaven when they die when the apostles taught they would not till the resurrection. Now, says the editor, there are things of that nature taught by her which he could not understand. But nevertheless he came away satisfied she was doing a genuine work as did the apostles. He further urges his church to seek for that same power of divine healing and Holy Ghost baptism which she possessed. The above is a synopsis in our own language as we glean from the editor's paper.

What shall I say to this report? I answer that if I accepted her work as genuine, as does the editor, I too would be wonderfully confused as to how the Holy Ghost could teach two persons so differently, so that one taught one thing and the other the direct opposite. I would also add how one led by the word could keep Sunday and the other the Sabbath led by the same spirit. The above is the perplexing question in the mind of the listener of the various sects in all places. The editor is not the only one puzzled over such contradictions of the work of the Holy Ghost.

Where lies the trouble? It lies in the decision as to whether such persons as Mrs. McPherson are working by the Holy Ghost or by some other power. That is the point. I am free to admit she is an elocutionist and relies on that gift filling its part of her power over the people. I agree, also, in harmony with the Bible, that she no doubt works miracles, at least to such an extent that the people really believe it is done. I am willing to admit there is a great power connected with her in her work. I am willing further to admit that her words are of such a character as to deceive, if it were possible, the very elect. But I am not willing to admit that the Holy Ghost will work miracles through her, while she is teaching "damnable heresy," as error is called by the apostle. There are too many scriptures which condemn such things in these days.

In speaking of our day inspiration says, "They will show great signs and wonders." "They will deceive them that dwell on the earth by means of those miracles which they had power to do." These great things, remember, are to be done under the cloak of religion.

That both genuine and false are to be manifested there is no doubt. Especially at the time when the Lord says it will be manifested. Satan, knowing he has but a short time, runs ahead (and performs his work among the people. How shall we judge as to the true and the false? I reply, If they bring not this doctrine receive them not into your house (church). Neither bid them God speed. The truth is always a safe guard to such delusions in the last days. "If they speak not according to this word it is because they have no light in them." "It is by their fruits ye shall know them." There is no better fruit than that a person walk in the truth, says the apostle. We deal in facts not in personalities or imagination. If I read the scriptures aright the world is to be flooded with this spurious so-called holiness, divine healing and baptism of the Holy Ghost. All of which is scriptural. But as to what is genuine and what is false no man can tell by hearing or even seeing. The great detector, the word of God, alone is able to determine what is genuine. May the Lord lift up a standard of truth so high that His children may see and understand. A person should be well established if they would escape such an influence when brought under it.

ABRAHAM SAW MY DAY AND WAS GLAD.

Christ followed the above by saying, "Before Abraham was, I am." So we ask, What time was Christ's day? Was it the day of His crucifixion? Was it the time He was here on earth? Or was that day before Abraham? When was it? What day was it? I reply that Christ's day is the day of salvation which covers the entire work of Christ for the salvation of men. His day will not be completed till man is saved and restored to his Eden home in the new earth. Abraham saw the whole day of Christ and was glad. Abraham's gladness was the hope of the gospel. This the Jews could not understand. Neither do the people now understand. They think it the time when he was here and especially the day of His crucifixion. It had no special reference to that time no more than any other time in the work of Christ. Paul speaks of that time being limited to another day or time in which the gospel was to complete its work. Heb. 4. Paul then draws the comparison of that day of salvation to the six days of creation and the institution of the Sabbath. He says there still remaineth the Sabbath rest and so hence the day of salvation still remaineth. The Sabbath rest and the rest of the gospel which we enter is a rest of peace and spiritual blessings.

The two rests will ever remain to the people of God. The period for entering that rest of the gospel is limited. The enjoyment of the two rests remain forever. These rests are blessed to the children of God both here and hereafter. Both are eternal. Everyone who enters the Sabbath rest now in earnest obedience enjoys also the spiritual rest that is provided for the children of God. Hence the gospel brings a blessed experience to all who obey Him.

THE REMNANT OF WHO?

The Remnant people of God are spoken of many times in the scriptures applying to the last people of God alive when Christ comes. I ask, What are they

the remnant of? Are they the remnant of the churches now in existence and known as the Remnant Church? I reply, No. I read of no remnant church. I do read that present organizations constitute Babylon and her daughters. Hence, the remnant could not be a remnant church. There is but one church, and never has been, or never will be but one, hence the remnant could not be a remnant church. That is easily seen. They are not the remnant of all the people for they are spoken of as the children of God. It is easy to see they are the remnant of the true church. They are not defiled with women, hence not connected with any church now visible. They are the remnant of the invisible church whose names are written in heaven. They bear none of the present man-made organizations names. Their name is Israel. They belong to the organization of Israel, which is an organization framed by the Lord himself in every detail. When an individual accepts and obeys the principles of that organization his name is written above and God adds him to that church. Consequently each member is organized and each member being organized on the same plan they all constitute the organized church of Israel. Hence the Remnant of Israel signifies the Remnant of the church of Israel and no other church. It says, "The Remnant of Israel shall do no evil, neither shall they speak lies." They are called "The escaped of Israel." They escape when the law is passed that all shall be killed. They are called "The dispersed of Judah." Isaiah 11. Because at this period all the Remnant with all others saved comes under the house of Judah. They are the 144,000 spoken of by John. All is clear when the story of Israel is known. Otherwise all the Bible is and must remain a mystery till that story is known.

Who wrote the Bible? The Jews both by blood and by adoption. Every Bible writer was of that kind. Christ our Saviour was of that kind. All the prophets were of the same. The apostles were of the same. No Gentiles ever penned a word of inspiration so far as known. The Gentile is brought into the household of faith. He is grafted in the tame olive tree and made partaker of the root and fatness. He was a wild olive tree. He was "without God and hope in the world." He was "a stranger to the covenants of promise." He as a dog, eats "the crumbs that fall from the master's table." People say the Old Testament was written for the Hebrew and the new for the Gentile. Such ignorance is deplorable. No truth in it. It is sad indeed that present teachers do not know better than they are teaching. Certain ones claim their organization is the remnant church. That will do to tell people who know nothing of truth, but no one else.

Peter quoted from the prophet Amos where he said, "The Lord would build again the tabernacle of David." Amos 9. Peter said that prophecy was being fulfilled. What was the tabernacle of David? Was it a Jewish or Gentile tabernacle? Surely not Gentile. Yet teachers teach today there was a new church started by the apostles. Such is utterly false. It was the same church that had been built by David, King of Israel which was the tabernacle of Christ. That tabernacle (church) had always existed. The tabernacle of Christ had existed from the foundation of the world. It had been thrown down by false doctrines introduced by false teachers before Christ came. Now it was to be restored. So the work of Christ and the apostles was to restore the truths which belonged to Christ's church in past ages. Who will

see these plain scriptures and give up their errors of a new church being built by Christ and his apostles? Such doctrine is inexcusable for any to hold longer. That same tabernacle has been torn down again by Papal and Protestant false doctrines and the remnant are to again build the same, and complete it for the dwelling place of our Lord when He comes. Who will join in the work? Who will become polished stones in the building?

The truth should be sent broad cast which will expose those errors that every true child of God may be found and brought to the knowledge of the truth. Denominationalism has been one of Satan's most successful schemes, under the garb of Christianity, to deceive. Let that deception be known far and near. If there ever was a time to awake out of sleep it is now. The day is far spent. The long night of death to the world is just before us. I feel there is no time to lose. No sacrifice, no labor, no energy is too great to put forth now to gather the remnant and save our own souls.

Give the trumpet no uncertain sound. Gain a message of truth and in the fear of God and love for the people deliver it in all places.

THE COLORS TO BE LIFTED.

I presume the first ensign of Israel since the Babylonish captivity has just been lifted on a staff over the office of "the Remnant of Israel." This ensign is five by ten feet in size, beautifully painted on iron, with the rainbow circling the top and the colors of the bow in the flag with twelve stars underneath. This flag turns with the wind making it an indicator of the wind's direction.

For several years this ensign has been of special interest as I studied "the sign of the Son of Man." God has not left anything that He could do undone for the education of His people. The bow in the cloud is again of special interest to the Remnant people of God. That bow which formed the cloud over the camp of Israel is to again be manifest as stated in Isaiah fourth chapter. The same lessons are again to be taught by it as in the days of old. So Isaiah says of this, "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. We have lifted this ensign purely for the purpose of calling the attention of the people as an educational means of teaching. It was said by Moses, "They should make Aaron and his sons' garments of beauty and glory." These garments were made with those colors of the bow in them. God knows how to decorate for beauty. The bow contains the fundamental colors from which all others are derived. So our flag, to my mind, is the most beautiful of all flags or ensigns the world can produce. I wish to say to the reader if you have not made a study of what the sign of the Son of Man is, send for the tract on that subject. Send ten cents and we give you as much as you ever received in your life for the money.

TWENTY-ONE YELLOW PERILS.

We took the privilege of sending twenty-one of the above books bearing directly on the question now being considered by the Armament delegations in

assembly at Washington for their consideration. These books were sent to the different delegations representing different nations.

It is a wonderful thing to know that this book, first written over twenty years ago, is now as unchanged from then, is still the very book for kings and rulers to now study. It is still a more wonderful thing to know it is now the book for every lover of truth to study, and still more wonderful things are still before us which this book points out plainly will soon come to pass. It is surely the book of all books on prophetic national questions.

If we mistake not these things will be more known in the near future than they are now known. We just had an order for a copy to go to India. This book is being scattered slowly but surely.

THE FINAL AND LAST TEST.

God is now making the final division to separate the children of God from the children of Satan. The last test is now upon the world of professed Christians. The day is near when the very last separation will have been completed. The light has now come which will try every honest individual as to which side they will be on. The message is now to the honest, the sincere, those who have genuine faith, those who are not a mere professor but are a child of God.

An honest person is one who is seeking for light. They are willing to receive light from any source it may be sent to them. An honest person has no prejudice. An honest person is one who is willing to prove all things and hold fast to that which is good. An honest person possesses nothing but a fair mind, willing for truth to prevail in preference to anything else. An honest person is one who is willing to investigate, one who is willing to walk in the light as it is given him, one who is willing to search for truth when their attention is called to a point. The message today which God has for the people is one addressed to the church. One that says, "Come out of her my people." One that says, "Flee out of Babylon and deliver every man his soul."

The message for this time is to God's children as they are scattered abroad. It will find, not just such as know this or that point of truth, but it is to such as want the whole truth, who are honest at heart, willing to change their ways, willing to learn more and more truth. This class are few in anyone place but many, as they are scattered in every place in every organization, in every faith, holding many errors, but willing to forsake error and walk in truth. In brief, the message today is for the honest at heart, who wish to serve God to the very best of their ability and light God may give them. The work is for that class. They are the lost sheep scattered on every mountain and every hill and in the holes of the rocks and caves of Babylon. The prayer of the church is to the Lord of the harvest to raise up laborers in the vineyard, for the harvest to raise up laborers in the vineyard, for will heed the call and help gather Israel into the true fold? Lord send forth reapers, is our cry in great earnest, that will give the message for the hour with no uncertain sound. Such as will go forth by faith with a burden for the sheep.

DUE NOTICE.

The beginning of the year is a period when we like to clear up as much of the past as possible. So our list for the mail will be revised. The last few months our surplus has been used up in sending out the Remnant. We will say in the past we have not been careful but have mailed out to many who have not paid for their paper. This will not continue unless we hear from such parties. Remember that all who support this work with tithes and offerings their paper never stops. We hope the coming year to increase the circulation very much. Remember we are always short of funds and every dollar subscription you send in, helps that much. We thank the Lord for being able to keep the paper going. We still live by faith. It says the "just shall live by faith." That is surely our policy. We do not wish to lose a single person we now send the paper to. In fact we will not, if they will but write and say a word and help, if they can do so. Let all begin with the new year 1922.

EVERY GIFT OF THE CHURCH IS NEEDED.

Says the apostle, "There are diversities of gifts. But it is the same spirit working severally in everyone." What is now needed is for Zion to arise and shine for the glory of the Lord has risen upon her. The light of truth has now come. The church needs apostles, such as will go by faith like Paul and pioneer and establish the truth in fields beyond. Such are truly apostles. The church needs helpers, those who will help in every place as opportunity offers for the distribution of reading matter, visiting and talking the truth, paying of tithe, and offerings, in brief, a helper is one who is found ready for any opening the Lord may call them to fill. The church needs ministers (prophets) who can teach the people publicly the message for this time. There should be teachers in all places. It needs the gift of healing such as ministering to the sick. Men and women of God whom God will hear, when they pray in behalf of the sick that they may be raised up to join the grand work of this time. The church needs the testimony of Jesus taught. That is light on the writings of the prophets, that the people may know what is taught by the prophets. God left a complete church when here. He had such a church at intervals through the world's history. He will have the same church with all his gifts when he comes to his own. Let no one be satisfied but continue to work now and for ever more for just such a renewal of the church in our day. It will come.

Do you wish to be one of them? If so, pray to this end and work to this end, exercise faith to this end. Then God will bring it to pass, for his work says it will be. Lord, increase our faith. A glorious truth must make a glorious church. Light on the word then let us cease. On the other hand if it is truth let us the more earnestly look and pray for it. This is not fanaticism. Neither is it such a display of fanaticism as is seen so abundantly now. But it is real and literal, and will produce real effect on the children of God, if they will but comply with the requirements which are the keeping of the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

Come, brethren, wake up, cast your bread on the waters and believe you will gather it. The latter rain is now due when light is to be given. So join in the move now.