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

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THE TWO SONS OF ZEBEDEE AND THEIR RELIGION

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(Continued from September Issue)

"Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.

"And this is the promise that he hath promised

us, even eternal life.

"These things have I written unto you concerning

them that seduce you.

"But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him."—Verses 24-27.

Passing over verses 16 and 17, which is an exhortation, the Apostle again reminds us of that which was from the beginning, which is the commandment which was with the Father and the Son. If those commandments, says the Apostle, remain in us, then we have the fellowship with the Father and the Son. He further says, this is the condition of eternal life which is promised us. We are also reminded that our teacher, the Holy Ghost, teaches no lies, but the truth according to the word which abides in us.

"And now, little children, abide in him; that when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and

not be ashamed before him at his coming.

"If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him."—

Verses 28, 29.

The person who abides in obedience has boldness in the day of his coming. The test of true righteousness is always the performance of the commandments of God. The Psalmist says, "All thy commandments are righteousness, and thy law is the truth."

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

"And every man that hath this hope in him

purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

"And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.

"Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not. whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.

'Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous."—3:1-7.

Every man who embraces the hope of seeing him at his coming and being changed to immortality purifies himself, even as he is pure. This purifying process is by ceasing to break the commandments of God and doing that which is righteous. Christ came to take away our sins, not the law, but sin, which is the violation of the law, for in him was no sin. He was not a law breaker. If we abide in him we sin not, but if we sin we have not known him. The test of obedience is what determines whether we are what we claim to be or not. The man who is not willing to obey any commandment of the law of God is no Christian, no matter if they belong to all the churches in the land. The more of a profession they make the greater hypocrites they are. Said Christ, "Yea, rather blessed are they who hear the word of God and do it." Many don't like to hear about the do religion. In fact the preaching of strict obedience to the commandments of God will kill any of the so-called revivals now in existence. That is not what they want. They want every thing else but the genuine obedience. The warning in verse eight is, not to be deceived by those who merely profess to be followers of God.

"He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

"In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that love h not his brother.

"For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.

"Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous."—Verses 8-12.

The story is here plainly told how to detect one class from the other. Namely, if a person will no, or is not, keeping the commandments of God, he is a sinner, and has never been born of God, (converted). They are of the devil. A man who is converted cannot break the commandments of God because his seed abides in him. Says Peter, "that seed is the word of God by which we are converted." I Peter 1:22. That word teaches obedience to the law of God, so that man cannot break the commandments of God as long as he regards the instructions of God. This is sanctification in its purity. It is all easy to argue sanctification in the abstract, but apply the test given, namely, if the person is willing to keep all the laws of God as written, the Sabbath not excepted, then we have evidence that they are sanctified through the truth. If not willing, then we know they are not sanctified and do sin.

Note. The Apostle is not arguing whether a man can fall from grace in back-sliding. Neither is he arguing the point whether a man knows it all when he is converted, and if he violates in the least degree he is not sanctified. These points are all taken up in other scriptures, such as the text that says, "If a man does sin after conversion he has an advocate," and so on. But the point here is not whether a man is born of God at all, but it is whether he is of the devil or of God, which? That is the question here. It is decided by his relation to the communaments of God. We are safe in saying that the person who opposes any of the commandments of God is of the devil. Those who are willing to be taught what the commandments require and accept them by obedience are of God, This is the message we have had from the beginning, says the Apostle.

"We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

"Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer. and *ye know* that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him."—Verses 13-15.

Love and hatred is a test of our obedience. Hate

results in murder, which is a violation of the sixth commandment Love of the brethren is an evidence that we have passed from death unto life, (converted). The devil and the world always hates loyalty to God's law.

"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

"But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shut eth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

"My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

"And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hear's before him.

"For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

"Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

"And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight."—Verses 16-22.

The est of love is further given in plain language which, as Paul says, "Love is the fulfilling of the law." Rom. 13.8. The last six precepts pertain to our duty to man, the first four to God. This, says Christ, is to "love the Lord our God with all the heart, and our neighbors as ourselves."

"And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us the commandment.

"And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us."—Verses 23, 24.

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world."

"Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

"And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of anti-christ, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world."

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

"They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.

"We are of God. he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

"He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love."—41:8.

(To Be Continued.)

OMENS OF THE YELLOW PERIL AND BIBLE FACTS

(Continued from September Issue)

Study the chapter carefully and you will see that he comes to take a spoil: He comes out of the north parts; there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; only one-six'h of his army will be left.

We also find that this conflict between the heathen and professed Christendom will last a long time. It will be the most humiliating and the most unpleasant experience of professed Christian nations that can be found in the history of this world. The prophet, Daniel, speaking of these things, says: "There shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, even to that same time." Dan. 12.1, Isaiah 32:10 testifies and says, "Many days and years shall ye be troubled, ye careless women. . . From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you; for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night; and it shall be a vexation only to understand the reports. . . Now, therefore, be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong; for I have heard from the Lord God of hosts a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth. Isa. 32:9 and 28.19-22. Confess and forsake your sins and by faith in the atonement of Christ, receive forgiveness and you shall be saved.

Taken from The Remnant of Israel, by I. C. Sultz

From week to week, as we read the newspapers and magazines, we can realize how prophecy is being fulfilled. It would surprise one to see the articles I have on this one subject.

A noted individual, who recently returned from a ten months' stay in Japan, says that twenty-four hours a day, three hundred and sixty-five days a year Japan is preparing for war. From him the following paragraphs are quoted:

"I have recently seen her earnest, unceasing, urgent preparations in the Japanese arsenals. Three foreigners only, to my knowledge, have seen the inside of these arsenals. I am the third. I was enlightened and amazed at what I saw.

"I have seen in Japan submarines, which I am convinced, are twice as big as the famous German submarine, the Deutschland, that crossed the Atlantic. I have seen about thirty. They lay in great fleets. But the Japanese never keep too many of them together. Each fortified port has its layout of submarines, of cruisers and of mine-layers. Those submarines are wonderful. They are capable of remaining under water for ten days, and carry reserve fuel, reserve food and reserve air for the crew to breathe. They are equipped with eight-inch guns

and torpedoes twenty feet long. The V-3 has a fiveirch gun and two Lewis machine guns.

"The imagination can visualize the possibilities. A fleet of planes traveling steadily throuh the air, resting at night, possibly as seagulls do, refueling at dawn from the submarines that have come up, either on the surface or below, as the occasion may determine. Then on again and on, so that the cruising radius is almost illimitable. What such a double fleet might do can easily be guessed."

On February 13, 1926 in the Literary Digest, we read about Japan's mounting millions. An average annual increase of 750,000 in Japan's population in the past five years is news that causes no little concern in those countries opposed to Japanese immigration.

Two Thousand Japanese Planes

And don't forget this: Japan today has more than 2,000 military airplanes in fighting trim, planes which can take the air today. She has pursuit planes with a cruising speed of more than 180 miles an hour, attack planes which can easily make 150 miles an hour and bombers good for 135 miles an hour while carrying that terror of the air, the aerial torpedo, containing 1,500 pounds of TNT. Her bombers have a fuel capacity for 900 miles; her pursuit planes can go 1,000 miles without refueling.

Just another thing not to forget: Japan is building commercial planes which over night can be changed into military planes, and she has six factories busy turning out a stated number each month.

For example, the general staff of the Japanese army has listed four stopping places on the Siberian coast, where their squadron of planes would alight to refuel and take on additional supplies.

Japan is holding three years of rice in reserve. She is building great 18-inch guns, with a range of 30 miles. She is making rifles at the rate of 500 a day. She has just completed a building program that gives 17 light cruisers of about 5,000 tons each, and is building submarines for herself and for the government of Russia.

It is possible that China has agreed to raise, and is actually preparing to raise, a standing army of 8,000,000 men, trained and commanded solely by Russian and Japanese officers. European and American officers being excluded.

The general staff of the Chinese army says, "I put two questions to every recruit: 'Do you smoke and are you a Christian?' They are forbidden to drink, gamble or loot, and swear very little. Yet cigaretteless as they are, my soldiers know how to fight. Fight to the death. Shoot the enemy at long

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range until your ammunition is exhausted, then use your bayonet until it breaks. After that hammer him over the head with the butt of your rifle; when that splits, clinch with him."

Lloyd George Shows World Danger Exists— White Race Outnumbered

Numerically, the position is against the whites. There are 550,000,000 white people. The number of colored people is 1,150,000,000. Two-fifths of the world's area is populated by white races; three-fifths by colored.

Colored Races Watch

During the great war, the yellow races watched silently, with eager eyes, the white peoples strangling each other to death and they are not unaware, now, of the fact that great white nations are lying exhausted after the struggle. In the meantime, they have been learning western methods and the western technique of war.

In the United States, the color question has always been a vexed one. The problem of the negro has not yet been solved, and, in the Philippines, another colored race is querying American authority.

White Race Outnumbered

The colored races have, in recent years, fought the white on their own ground—a war of commerce and applied science—with increasing success. instinct that made the outcast aristocrats of France into revolutionaries at the end of the 18th century and turned their hands upon the class from which they sprang is inspiring Russia to agitate the colored peoples against the white races. Russia is the Mirabeau of the nations. Her hand is lifted against her old European associates and she is helping to stir up mischief for her former friends.

The fact remains there is no doubt at all that there is a growing revolt amongst the colored races against white control. It is not only in military matters that they have been instructed by us. Modern means of communication bring them much more easily into contact with the west and with western civilization. They have become familiar with it and, in turn, are adopting it amongst themselves more and more.

We can understand something of the gravity of the situa ion, as we acquaint ourselves with the prophecy concerning this great movement. The reader will notice that Jeremiah calls the leader of the heathen the destroyer of the Gentiles. "Lift up the standard toward Zion; retire; stay not; for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction. The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Centiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make the land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste without an inhabitant." Jer. 4:6-7. As there was no Gentile church before Christ. we must look to our time for the application of this prophecy.

Jeremiah also states that those that are in the ci ies will be destroyed by famine and pestilence, and those that are in the field will be overtaken by the sword.

According to the wickedness of professed christendom, her punishment will be: Gog will also be punished, and only one-sixth of his army will be left. Eze. 38:21-22; 39.2.

We have an awful picture before us. Shall we not keep God's commandments, that we may have a right to his protection and be gathered out with his remnant during this time of trouble? There is no promise of protection to anyone except those who are strictly honest in living out his requirements. He asks nothing but what is reasonable and right.

Conclusion

No doubt some of the readers of this pamphlet will say, Well, if the thing is to come we can't help it, therefore we need not bother our minds until it comes. Now if God had made no provision for a remedy then that would be true; but we have Nineveh as an example to teach us that the calamity even now is not necessary. The provision holds good to the last moment before the decree, "he that is filthy let him be filthy still," passes Up to that time man can repent and obey God. If Christendom meets the threatened peril there will be no one to blame but themselves. And that is true of each individual. Each can escape if he will. That is just why the Bible is so particular to give every evidence of the surety of the event. There is just one motive we had in the

publication of this pamphlet, namely, to call attention to the facts as recorded, hoping some, at least, will take the advice the Lord has so often given to repent and obey God rather than man. We need not repeat the condition now confronting us for the record is being written daily in the public press of the country. Crime is now rampant everywhere. For instance, the thousands of murders each year perpetrated in cold blood. Adultery is the common sin of the day. Divorces are daily increasing. Suicides are of daily occurrence. Fraud is practiced in business transactions in too many instances to specify. But it exists from the great combines to the cheap fakes advertised in the daily papers.

We look for a moment at the pride of heart manifested in the churches in display of dress, Church edifices, high-priced ministry, all growing from the unconverted heart. Election frauds are common; political bribery is equally so. Last, but far from the least, in the list of crimes is the nation's granting, for the sake of gain, a license to men to deal out the deadly poison of liquor in all its soul-destroying and finance-wrecking devices. The daily increase of poverty, and multiplied widows and orphans, and a thousand other crimes growing out of the traffic are all the result of license by Christian nations for the sake of gain. Will not God avenge for this? Do not be deceived, "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." There has been going on for years a struggle to overthrow the liquor traffic; but in vain. When a law is passed forbidding the public saloon, the loathsome bootlegger defies the law, the wishes of good citizens, and every principle of government and carries on his traffic in alleys, and dark rooms, and through his study of the business sells to boys, houses of ill fame, and all who will recognize his illegitimate traffic. He is often caught and taken before the officers of law and there receives the wink and is turned loose. All this is done for money. We mention this that some may see the true situation and not blame us for saying our Christian nation will not be able to meet the foe. They may possibly judge us as the Jews did Jeremiah as being in sympathy with the Babylonians when he told the Jews what would come to pass. Believe us when we say it is from love to our country, its people, and righteousness that we thus write.

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DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HUNTING AND FISHING BY JOHN S. STANFORD.

Dear Bro. Did you ever think what is the difference between hunting and fishing? No! Well, let us consider the matter a little.

When you go fishing, you do not have to hunt the fish. You know where the fish are. Know right where they are. You can see them in the water. All you have to do (to be successful in getting them) is to have a bait. Or some kind of a net that will catch them.

But hunting is a different matter. The game (in hunting) keeps out of your sight (if they can). You can't see them in the water. Nor anywhere else, until you hunt diligently enough to get them out in the open. Of course, your object in both fishing and hunting is to get the game. But in fishing you know where your game is and what you have to do is to figure some way to attract them so you can get them. But in hunting you have got to find out where they are.

Well, that is the difference (in Jeremiah 16:16) between "fishers" and "hunters." Jesus said, "I will make you fishers of men." But he didn't say a word about "hunters" of men. But it was there in the same text that He quoted from Jeremiah. He didn't say anything about it because the time to say it had not come. The time to "fish" was there (For 1900 years God has had His fishers at work) but the time to "hunt" was away, over 1900 years off yet (the close of probation). One does not have to "hunt" God's people until God's people become "hidden ones." Ps. 83:3 and Prov. 28:12. And that is after probation closes. Then is when the matter of hunting becomes necessary.

No "hunting" is spoken of in connection with the "fishing." (In Jer. 16:16). No. The "hunting" is done "after" the "fishing" is over. Plainly says, in Jer. 16:16, "After will I send for many hunters." After what? Why after probation closes. For it is "after" probation closes that God's people get driven out and become "hidden ones." Like it says in Jer. 16:16.) Hidden in the "mountains" and "hills" and "holes in the rocks." Then you have to "hunt" them. You do not do any converting, any "fishing" after probation closes. No. "He that is holy" and is to be "holy still" is all you are after. All you can get.

That is why, that, although you find many nice talking people, earnest in their ways and in what they are talking, attractive, and all that, yet when the Truth for the remnant people of God and for these last days is presented to them they will not accept it. Shows you, simply, have not found one that is "holy" and is to be "holy still." For "He that, really,

is holy and is to be holy still" is in God. And God is in him. And it cannot be otherwise, than that God's Spirit (that is in Him) will guide him into The Truth for the last days. And that he will accept it.

So what can God's "hunter" do? Why, pass them by. And let them go. That is all that can be done. After the Truth has been explained to them carefully and faithfully, and they continue to resist and argue and refuse it shows that you have not found a child of God. So quietly say no more and let them go. And continue to hunt for others.

One, who really is a child of God, one in whose heart Jesus really does dwell "by faith" will always recognize The Truth when it comes to him. Will recognize it instantly. But one who is a child of some denomination will not. Because he cannot. To receive The Truth, one must be cut loose. Entirely loose from any and all denominations whatever. They must belong to no one nor any thing, whatsoever, at all, but God. Then God can work. And will work. For then that man will be led by the Spirit of God (a son of God.) (Rom. 8:14.) But when a man belongs to something besides God (a denomination), he is a child of that denomination. God cannot guide him into "All Truth," simply because the denomination is guiding him. If that man will do as God says and "come out of her My people." Then he would be free. and God could, then, take him up and begin to teach him. And finally, save him. But he wont do it. Cannot do it if when probation has closed, he was not found a child of God. (A man that really was "holy," and is to "be holy still.")

In the denominations, still, (it is true) are many souls who have been (for years, more or less) real children of Cod. Sighing and crying for the abominations they see around them. And all such will hear the call, "Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partaker of her sins and receive not of her plagues." If they do not hear that call, and do not come out of any and all denominations of men, wordly, social, churchly, of any and whatever kind (except belonging to God, Himself), whatever, it will prove, plainly and positively, that they are not God's children, at all, but are wedded to the world. "Joined to their idols." "Let them alone." (Hos. 4:17.)

This is because probation has closed. When probation has closed, God's Spirit no longer strives with man. And if God's Spirit no longer strives with man, of course it is useless for man to strive with him.

So, it is plainly evident that man's probation having closed, God's "hunters" can only keep on presenting The Truth to all he can and kindly explaining it. And if he finds one who receives it, rejoice,

and go ahead and strengthen and encourage them. And if the ones to whom he presents The Truth will not receive it, (after they have heard it kindly and plainly), just let them go. They are "joined to their idols, let them alone." (Hos. 4:17.)

There is plenty of work. Much work for God's people to do. "Hunting." This is no time for idleness. But no grief should be spent over nice, attractive, (personally attractive) souls who, after kindly and due attention do not receive The Truth for the remnant of God's people. "Let them go." "They are joined to their idols."

We seem sad over it now. And the whole business is a very, very sad affair. And it is to God. Jesus wept over it. And said Oh! Jerusalem! how oft would I have gathered you. But ye would not. Now (if at all) is our weeping time over it. But it will not do to say (as some do) "Oh! I cannot give them up." Jesus could properly say that (if any one). But there is a lot more serious phase to all this than our present feelings in the matter. Or to the feelings of Jesus, Himself, as He sat on the Mount of Olives and wept over Jerusalem. 6,000 years of God's Goodness. After the sacrifice of His Son. In the face of all the opportunities and inducements of the life to come, men (even our socalled loved ones) will persistently reject and refuse God, all sympathy for them will not only fade, but will be entirely wiped away. Eradicated entirely. And we will not only cease to sympathize, but will be disgusted. And when God, our Holy and Loving Father) says, "Because I have called and ye have refused, I also will laugh at your calamity," we will heartily join Him and say, "Just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of Saints."

Kindly,

Bro. John.

CAN CHRISTIANS KEEP CHRISTMAS? BY MRS. W. MOORE

How many people know how Christmas happened to fall on December 25?

Julius, Pope or Bishop of Rome, asked St. Cyril in 386 to ascertain the real anniversary of the nativity. St. Cyril reported the date to be December 25 to the best of his knowledge.

McClintock and Strong's encyclopedia says: "The observance of Christmas is not of divine origin. The day of Christ's birth cannot be ascertained from the New Testament, or, indeed from any other source."

A reason why December 25 is not the probable time of Christ's birth is indicated by Encyclopedia Britanica, ninth edition, in the article on "Christmas Day." It says: "A festival of the Christian (Roman) church, observed on the 25th of December in memory of the birth of Jesus Christ. There is, however, a difficulty in accepting this as the date of the na-

tivity, December being the height of the rainy season in Judea, when neither flocks nor shepherds could have been at night in the fields of Bethlehem.

Another reason is, Christ was crucified at the Passover, in the month corresponding to our April. He was thirty-three and one half years old at the time of his death. We cannot make that half year

fit in between April and December.

Seeing that the 25th of December is not the birthday of Jesus, can we be as Christians, "teachers of the truth," keep it? If we do so, are we not loving and making a lie, and so we cannot enter into the Holy City? Rev. 22:14-15.

Jesus himself says so. Verse 16.

—R. F. D. 1, So. Jacksonville, Fla.

WHAT SCRIPTURES?

That from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation, through faith that is in Jesus Christ. II.

Timo hy 3:15.

The Scriptures Paul referred to were what is now called "Old Testament," for what is called New Testament was not in existence then, but with God there is no such thing as Old and New Testament. What God spoke personally by word of mouth is the Word of God, also what his holy prophets spoke was the Word of God.

Question arises. How may we know when a prophet is speaking as God directs? Answer: If the thing spoken is contrary in any point to God's law, we absolutely know the prophet is deceived. A thing spoken by a false prophet might even come to pass and yet that would not be sufficient reason to believe

or follow him. See Deut. 13:1-5.

The Law of God is concrete in form and is open for inspection by a saint or sinner. The Bereans (sinners) searched the Scriptures (not the New Testament for it was not in existence at that time), to know if Paul, a spirit filled man, was preaching the truth or not. (Acts 17:11). "The things that God has revealed, belongs to us (His will and His law) and our children." The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed, belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law. Deut, 29:29.

A simple rule that detects all erroneous doctrine is the Law of God—"To the Law and the Prophets, if they speak no according to this Word, there is no light in them. Isaiah 8:20. "Thou hast tried them which say they are apostles and are not, and hast

found them liars." Rev. 2:2.

"I know the blasphemy of them that say they are JEWS AND ARE NOT, but are of the synagogue of Satan." "I will make them come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved them." (The

true Jews). Rev. 2:9 and 3.9.

It is a task that most people shrink from, but if we are to overcome sin in all its aspects, we might as well se busy and expose all erroneous doctrine. Everything that God hath not planted, shall be rooted up, and I want to help in the work. Do you?

-Albert S. Hodges, Orlanda, Fla.

LETTER FROM R. E. WINSETT

Dear One in Jesus, Greetings:

A dissatisfied mind is a great hindrance to one's efficiency, while a satisfied mind and contentment, with Godliness is a great gain.

I have at all times tried to do what I felt was best to properly serve my patrons, and advance the Kingdom of God, and for that reason four years ago I established the Fort Smith office that I might better serve the Western trade. But I had not been here long until I found there were many things coming up which were a great disadvantage, and a hindrance to the conducting of my business to the best advantage to me and to my customers.

I also found the overhead expense of running two offices took the profits, so as we were established here, as we thought permanently, we closed the Chattanooga office which was a mistake. Seeing this mis-

take we reopened it.

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CHRONOLOGY FROM THE BIRTH OF ABRAHAM TO THE EXODUS

Here are some plain facts concerning this period. Abraham was 100 years old when Isaac was born. Gen. 21:5.

Isaac was 40 years old when he married Rebekah, making 140 years to the marriage. Gen. 25:20.

Isaac was 60 years old when Jacob and Esau were born. Gen. 25. Total to birth of Jacob and Esau, 160 years.

Jacob told Pharaoh he was 130 years old when he went to Egypt. Total 290 years from the birth of Abraham to Jacob's going to Egypt. Gen. 47:8-9.

Abraham left his father's house, and God made covenant with him when he was 75 years old-"his seed should be strangers in strange land 400 years." Gen. 15:13.

Renjember, it says his seed, when at the time he had no seed. From the time the "promised seed" came was to be 400 years. In Ex. 12.41 it says, the selfsame day, when the 430 years was fulfilled, they came out. This 430 years dates from the covenant with Abraham and the 400 years began when the "seed" was born and weaned.

Next, note the genealogy of the children of Jacob. 1st. Jacob served Laban for his two wives and cattle 20 years. Gen. 38:40-41. 2nd, All his boys were born during this time but Benjamin. Gen. 29:30. 3rd, Joseph was 17 years old when sold into Egypt. Gen. 37:2. 4th, Benjamin, the youngest boy, was the father of no boys when Jacob went to Egypt. Gen. 46:21.

The genealogy is reckoned from Judah, who had five boys. Only three went down with them, Pharez, Shelah and Zarah. Esrom was the great grandson of Jacob and the grandson of Judah. These were all born before they left Canaan. Gen. 46:12.

Note that the genealogy is reckoned from Judah. Now turn to the genealogy in Matchew. "Judah begat Pharez; Pharez begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram; and Aram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat Naasson;"-Matt. 1:3-4.

Next, read Numbers 1:7 and you find where Moses placed Naasson, son of Amminadab, head over

the tribe of Judah.

Thus the connecting link is made, and it shows that there were but three generations from Jacob's going down into Egypt, to the exodus. They were Aram, Amminadab and Naasson. Thus we can see that the 430 years did not begin when Jacob went down into Egypt.

The average life of man in 20 generations from creation to the flood was 100 years. From Abraham to Christ, 42 generations, it was 50 years. So the three generations could not have made 430 years.

Jacob was in Egypt before his death 17 years; his total age 147. Joseph lived to be 110 years old.

The plain narrative is full of proof that the 430 years could not be from Jacob's going down into Egypt to the Exodus.

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