



THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL

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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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TIME AND ETERNITY

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It is an interesting subject. So let us look at it a little bit. "ETERNITY," as all can readily see, is from "everlasting to everlasting." Or, in other words, "Eternity" is "everlasting" in the direction backward and "everlasting" in the direction forward. Or, in still other words, "Eternity" never had a beginning and will never have an ending. It is incomprehensible to us. But, no matter, it is like God, Himself—who can search Him out?

Now, as to "Time," that's easier. That is given to us and we are given to understand that. "Time" is a part of "Eternity." Simply a piece cut out of "Eternity." That is, a point is marked in "Eternity," at which certain events, which affect us, began and will run on until those events end.

That space, out of "Eternity," we are now calling "Time." And it is a very useful arrangement to us. For example, it enables God to indicate to us the exact point at which certain things which He, in His goodness and mercy, intends to do for us, will take place. Enables Him to prophecy things to us, and we have a measuring rod to locate the point at which we may know it will come to pass.

But that thought is not what I wanted to write on, just at this time. I wanted to talk on the verse in 1st Pet. 1:15, which says, "Kept by the Power of God, through Faith, unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last 'time.'" Here the word time is used and we have to understand the difference between time and eternity to get to understand *just when* that revealing will take place. Some do not understand this. Some think that means that the revealing, of whether a man is truly a real christian or not, will be shown out clearly at the second coming of Jesus. Or, maybe at the New Earth. They do not know. It is not clear to them. So, now, let us consider the matter and "the Lord will give us understanding."

If, therefore, the revealing, of whether a man is indeed a real true christian, is to be done in "time" (in the "last time") that, certainly, shows that it is

done in this space in which we are now living and which we are now calling "time." In other words, it is done before Jesus comes, and "Eternity," for us, begins. For, although there are a thousand years of "time" events that continue to run on, before the "New Earth" begins, yet (for the christian) "Eternity" begins when Jesus comes. For the christian does not, like the wicked, get slain at the coming of Jesus, but instead is resurrected (or "changed") to eternal life right then and there. So, eternity, to the christian, begins when Jesus comes.

So, then, we can clearly see that if "Eternity" begins when Jesus comes and the revealing (of whether a man is really a true christian or not) is to be done in "time," it follows, unavoidably, that the revealing (of whether or not a man is a real true christian) is to be done *before* Jesus gets here. To take His people with Him.

So, now, with that understanding before us let us read that Scripture again and see if it does not appear much plainer to us: "Kept by the Power of God, through faith, unto salvation, ready to be revealed," (whether or not a man is a real true christian) *before Jesus comes.*"

That, brethren, is the real truth of the matter. The real facts in the case. The people of God are all brought to an individual and personal test. That will actually prove *who are* and *who are not* real true christians. And it is to be done (and done thoroughly too) *before* ever Jesus comes "in the clouds of Heaven with Power and Great Glory" to get His people. For, you know, it is written that the church that Jesus takes unto Himself is *without* spot or wrinkle or any such thing. Eph. 5:27. Not having a lot of spots and a lot of wrinkles (and a lot of such things) and they all to be wiped off suddenly when Jesus appears. No, indeed. The "purging out of the rebels," (Ezk. 20:38), the "purifying," the "making white" and the "trying," (Dan. 12:10), will all be done *right here* in this old and sinful earth and *before Jesus comes.*

So that is what it means when it says "Ready to be revealed in the *last time.*" That is, in the *last end* of the cut out space of "Eternity" now called "Time."

Now comes a very interesting question, namely: *How is this purging, purifying, cleansing process to be done?* A very interesting and pertinent question, indeed. *How is it to be done?* *So that you and I* (and all who will be saved) will be actually proved to be (indeed and very truth) each and every one, a *child of God?* We intend to be, wish to be and some of us think we are, and we are all praying that we will prove to be, and we stand up in meeting and say "pray for me that I may ever be found faithful and at last meet you in the kingdom of God." This, plainly showing that, as a matter of fact, we do not, now, know that we are truly a child of God. Which, of course, is true now and which this testing time is intended by the Lord, to positively bring out.

So, the matter is worth studying into. To see *how* it is to be done and what is ahead of us whose hearts are really in earnest in the matter.

Now if it was a matter of speculation only, we better let it alone. But it isn't. It is a real thing that is plainly revealed in the Word of God. It is plainly revealed and described and set forth so that we may have opportunity, time and information to prepare our minds and hearts to go through it all and go through it successfully too. And have no excuse whatever for not making a blessed outcome of it. And, I say, Praise the Lord for His goodness and loving kindness in setting the matter before us in so plain a light

Well now you are by this time asking, "What is this plan that God has arranged to make His people clean? Without spot or wrinkle or any such thing?" Well, good! God is glad that your minds are stirred up enough to ask that question. And the answer is this: God is going to separate us from the world. Actually separate us *physically* from the world. You now ask, "Do I mean He is to take us up and off this planet and on to another?" No, not that, for you know I have already been led to state that it was all to be done here on this old and sin-cursed earth. No, God is going to do (right here on this ball) all this cleansing work, and at the same time separate us *physically* from the world. And the way He is to do it is this: He is going to let all that are worldly, all that "love the world" *stay* right where they are. Because, of course, that is their choice. And, you know, God never interferes with any one's freedom of choice. But, listen now, all that *love God*, that love God *better, much better*, absolutely and wholly better than they love the world, God is going to get them all separated by themselves, away from the world, out into a *wilderness place*. (Ezk. 20:35).

You know that now (and for that matter for hundreds and hundreds of years), God's people are and have been scattered all over the earth. Scattered among all nations.

When God led them out of Egypt they were not scattered. They were an organized nation, led by the Lord Himself, through the man, Moses, to whom God gave directions. But later on, because of their sins, God scattered them. So that is how they did not always stay together an organized God-led body which they would always have remained to be to this day if they had remained obedient to God. But during all these long years of being scattered God has won the hearts of and picked out a people who love Him and will be true to Him when He once more bunches up His people. Gathers them

together once more out and away from the world and its dead-in-sins people and its distracting and benumbing influences, and gets them again all together, under His direct command and leadership, like they began national life when He brought them out of Egypt in the year 2513 A. M. (Anno Mundi). That thing is surely going to be done. For it is written, "He that scattereth Israel will gather him." (Jer. 31:10). Just as truly as God scattered His people, so truly will He gather them. And He will gather them and organize them and deal with them just as He dealt with them when "By a mighty Hand and an Outstretched Arm." He brought them out of Egypt of old. For it is written that He will "set His Hand the *second* time to bring His people out of Egypt." (Is. 11:11). This sin-darkened world is now our "Egypt." And out of it we are sure to be separated and once more to be bunched together by ourselves and led direct by the Lord Himself just as we *ought* to have been all these years of being scattered and just as we *would* have been if we had not sinned.

So that is what it means when it says we are going to be "revealed in the last time." In the last end of what we call "time," before Jesus comes to take us away, mind you. God's people are to be gathered together. And that is the "revealing." The fact that a soul is finally found in the united group of God's people is a *proof* that that soul is truly a child of God. A real, true christian. For, bear in mind, that it is God that gathers them. *Not man*. And God, Who knows the heart, will never gather among that last united people a single one who is not truly His. "Mine elect" as He calls them. (Is. 45:4). No, indeed! All the "rebels" will be purged out. (Ezk. 20:38). And that is good. That is right. That makes us safe. That rids God's people forever from unruly and wicked souls who have for 6,000 years been the curse and oppressors of them who have really served God. From that on there will never any more be oppression nor trouble nor sin that will at all control nor affect God's chosen ones. Praise the Lord! When this is accomplished the Lord Himself deals directly and promptly too with any and every offense or attack upon His people. Of course, until the wicked are finally destroyed God Himself and God's people will have enemies. Even up to the very time that Jesus comes (nearly) the wicked hate us and counsel against us to destroy us. But God from that on does not allow any approach against His people but delivers in every case. 'At that time thy people shall be delivered every one that shall be found written in the Book.' (Dan. 12:1.) Oh! the beauty and preciousness of being "found written in the Book." No wonder that Jesus said "Rejoice that your names are written in Heaven,"

So that is how the "revealing" is done. God Himself gathering together only those who are *really* His. His "*Elect*." His *chosen* ones. Really and truly His people because they have loved Him and believed Him and served Him according to His Holy Word the Bible. Not according to the teachings of churches, nor of men, but just His Word, the Bible says. Keeping all of His Commandments and Statutes and Judgments and Laws. And DOING them.

So, we have now, considered what it is to "be revealed in the last time." We have considered two points in the verse of 1st Pet. 1:5: What is meant

by "the last time," and 2nd, what is meant by being "revealed."

Now, 3rd, let us consider what it means "to be ready to be revealed." Well, what do you say? Why, of course, when you stop to think you say it means that those who are revealed to be truly one of God's chosen ones must have come to the point where they have stopped sinning. Somehow or other they must have come to an experience where they do not any more commit sins. "Well, but," you say, "we can't help committing sins." Sure, you are right about that. But does that prove that there hasn't been any provision made whereby sinning can be stopped? By Somebody? Perhaps you haven't got on to that yet. I am afraid you have not. But you must. If, as you say, you have tried all your life, all your grown life, to stop sinning and find that you cannot, you certainly must find out the way to have the habit stopped or you are a lost man or woman. For sin has certainly got to be stopped, and stopped here too. For when Jesus comes He will never take with Him (to stand on the "Sea of Glass" before the throne of God) any one who has not stopped sinning. For "nothing that defileth shall enter there." (Rev. 21:27). And they are "without fault before the throne" (Rev. 14:5) "or any such thing." (Rev. 14:5). So, let us get this. And get it right. And get it now. Well, you say, all right, I surely am willing. But HOW? *How* is it to be done? I am sure I have tried and tried hard too. How is it to be done?

Well, brother, doesn't the verse that we are considering (1st Pet. 1:5) tell us? Doesn't it say "KEPT?" "Kept by the *Power of God*?" Yes, that is what it says. Well, then, that *must be the way*. The trouble with you and me has been that we have tried to keep ourselves. I have. And now finding out that I *cannot* keep myself I have quit trying to do so and have turned the matter over to God. To let Him keep me by *His* Power. *My* power has failed. But His does not and *never will* fail. And you, also, have tried and found that your power to stop sin is of no avail. So come on and let us come to our senses and lay hold on Somebody that *can do us* some good. And that "Somebody" is Jesus. And Jesus only. "There is none other name under Heaven given among men whereby we *must* be saved." (Ac. 4:12). Of course you know all this talk, but you have let yourself lose sight of it. So let us, you and I, wake up and be alive to *God*. And not alive just to ourselves and our efforts to try to do right. Which will never, never accomplish a thing, but will make us to be lost at last.

So, now, there are three points in that verse of 1st Pet. 1:5 that we have considered and the Lord has given us some light upon. Praise His name!

1st, when the "last time" is; 2nd, what it is to be "revealed;" and 3rd, how to be "ready" to be revealed." Namely, let Jesus keep us instead of trying to keep ourselves. Or, to express it in this way (just as the verse itself does), "kept by the Power of God." And then, of course, we *will* be "ready" to be "revealed."

Now then, don't you think that it would be a good thing to look at that other expression in that verse of 1st Pet. 1:5 to see what that also means? I do. That expression "through faith." I wonder what that expression is in there for? Why not have it read like this (and done with it) "Kept by the

Power of God unto salvation," etc?

"Well, you stop and think a moment. Doesn't the Lord show us that there has always got to be "faith" mixed with everything that the Lord does for us? Surely there has. Well, how could it better be stated that it was a matter of "faith" than to say "kept by the Power of God, *through faith*?" Couldn't be. Everything that the Lord does for us must be received "by faith." So, then, when we, each and every morning of our lives, hear the Voice of Jesus and open the door of our hearts to Him for that day, we must believe that He actually does come in. We must just *know* it. For He says He will and if we do not decide positively that He *is* in our hearts for that day we do not exercise "faith" at all. So, you see, it is a matter of "faith." A matter of actually believing that He is actually and really in our hearts because we opened the door for Him and because He says He would come in. So that's "faith" to start with. Then the next step (more important still) is this: During the day, when the trial comes, when the temptation comes, then, instead of worrying or even trembling over it all just remember that you know that Jesus is in your heart (because you let Him in) and then just say to yourself, I *know* that He is there. And if he is there, He is there to do the very thing that I, myself, cannot do, namely to keep me from sin in this thing, and to meet all the temptations and handle them just as they ought to be handled, and deliver me from them all. So I am not going to worry about it a bit. Well, brethren, that's "faith." And nothing short of that is, either. That is Jesus dwelling in the heart "by faith."

And, surely, there is no other way to have Him dwell there. For, if we do not believe it (just in that way and just as strongly as that) He would not and could not dwell in our hearts at all. So, brethren, that is what it is to have Jesus dwell in our hearts "BY FAITH." First let Him in each and every morning and believe that He *came in*, and all day long believe and know that He is there and that He is there to deliver and will do so and so just leave it all to Him and not worry one bit. And if you do that and keep it up you will find that Jesus will do just exactly as He agrees to do and you will be kept from sin and be made "ready to be revealed in the last time."

So, now, you see we have considered four of the points in that verse of 1st Pet. 1:5. 1st, what the "last time" is, here in this earth, and *before* Jesus comes; 2nd, what it is to be "revealed," to find yourself gathered by the Lord out in the wilderness with the rest of God's people; 3rd, how to be "ready" to be "revealed" by letting the Lord keep you instead of trying to keep yourself; and 4th, having it all done "by faith," by believing that Jesus came into your heart this morning and that He is there and will meet every temptation and will deliver you from it. Amen.

ANOTHER ERROR REFUTED ABOUT THE TRUE RESURRECTION DAY OF CHRIST, AND CHRIST AND THE PASSOVER

(Continued from July Issue)

Luke says:

"And, behold, there was a man named Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just:

"(The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them:) he was of Arimathaea, a city of the

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Jews: who also himself *waited* for the kingdom of God.

"This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

"And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

"And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.

"And the women, also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.

"And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment." Luke 23:50-56.

The above states clearly that after the women saw the body laid in the tomb they prepared the spices and rested the sabbath, *according to the commandment*. Let not the reader confound this in any way with the preparation of the passover in the morning before the crucifixion. *This is the preparation of the Sabbath, the morning preparation was to get ready to eat the passover, the same day. Thus both preparations were on the same day, one for the Sabbath according to the commandment, the other to get ready the passover to eat that day. Note this point well. John says:*

"The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

"And after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore and took the body of Jesus.

"And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight.

"Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury.

"Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden: and in the garden a new sepulchre,

wherein was never man yet laid." John 19:31, 38-41.

The coming weekly Sabbath *was an holy day*. Why? We reply, the fifteenth was the *day of unleavened bread*, which followed the passover. The unleavened bread was a symbol of Christ's body as it would lie in the grave. Lev. 23:6. This explains why that Sabbath was an high day. Following the fifteenth day the wave sheaf was to be waved which represented Christ's resurrection and we will find it so as we pursue the story further.

The Resurrection Day

Matthew says, "In the end of the Sabbath as it *began to dawn towards the first day of the week* came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulcher." Matt. 28:1. Mark says:

"And when the sabbath was past Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

"And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

"And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?"

"And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great."

"Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils." Mark 16:1-4, 9.

Some say Christ rose on the Sabbath from the statement of Matthew saying "in the end of the Sabbath." Mark says, "*When the Sabbath was passed.*" He further says, "*When Jesus was risen early the first day of the week.*" The only way the whole narrative can be harmonized is to understand Matthew's expression in the end of the Sabbath to imply when the Sabbath ended. Luke says, "Now upon the first day of the week very early in the morning the women came to the sepulchre bringing the spices with them which they had prepared and certain others with them and they found the stone rolled away." Luke 24:1-2. Note Joseph placed Jesus in the tomb in the beginning of the Sabbath. Pilate granted the privilege of sealing the sepulchre next morning. The first day of the week *early in the morning* they found the stone rolled away. This harmonizes with John that Christ arose the beginning of the first day. John gives the same report as Luke, only adding, *it was yet dark*. This harmonizes with Matthew, "As it began to dawn towards the first day of the week." The dawning of a day is the early dawn of the day, not the beginning of the day in the evening.

Recapitulation

First. The night of the betrayal was the passover day.

Second. The passover day was the day of the crucifixion.

Third. The day of the crucifixion, in the morning of that day, the Jews did not wish to enter the judgment hall of Pilate for fear of being defiled so they could not eat the passover that day.

Fifth. The same day was the preparation day for the Sabbath. The 7th day of the week.

Sixth. *When the evening* of the Sabbath arrived (the dark part of the second day) Joseph placed Jesus in his own new tomb.

Seventh. The tomb was sealed Sabbath morning.

Eighth. The women rested after preparing the

spices and seeing how the body was laid over the Sabbath.

Ninth. Early the next morning while it was yet dark they came to the sepulcher and found Christ was risen.

Tenth. John says when Jesus *was risen early the first day of the week*. These are plain Scriptural statements as given by the four writers examined.

Eleventh. The Sabbath when Jesus laid in the tomb was the day of unleavened bread, making it the High day spoken of as the high Sabbath.

Twelfth. The day following was the first day of the week answering to the wave sheaf which pointed out the resurrection of Christ "the third day." This tells exactly how long it was from the night of the betrayal till the resurrection. Namely, the night of the sixth day and the light of the sixth day. The dark and light of the seventh day and the dark of the first day total two days and three nights from the time of his betrayal till his resurrection. Hence the question is left with the reader to harmonize any other Scripture which in their mind may contradict this, such as Jonah was three days and three nights in the fish and the Son of Man was to be that time in the heart of the earth. Matthew 12:40.

The above record harmonizes with the teaching of Christ. Christ said of His temple, speaking of His body, that if it was destroyed it would be built again in three days. This was the great accusation against Him by the false witnesses. Now let us see if it was true.

"Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared and certain others with them.

"And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre."

"And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:

And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

"He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was in Galilee,

"Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again."

"And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs.

"And they talked together of all these things which had happened.

"And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.

"But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.

"And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

"And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass in these days?

"And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God

and all the people:

"And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.

"But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done." Luke 24:1, 2, 4-7, 13-21.

In the above it is plainly stated that he told the disciples *he would rise the third day*. To this the disciples testified that the *first day of the week was the third day since the Lord had been betrayed*, crucified, buried and had risen. The record further says that Christ began at Moses and showed them by the writings of Moses that *He would rise the third day*. Paul positively says in 1 Corinthians fifteenth chapter verses 1-3, "*That he would rise the third day*." That third day according to the plain record *dates from the night of His betrayal* and no evading it. Further *if the third day was the first day of the week* then the sixth day was the day of his betrayal and crucifixion which we call Friday. There is no possible way of evading it. We care nothing about the month Nison. Neither the preparation of the passover in the place of the preparation of the Sabbath. Nor any other argument that can be produced. The foregoing is the absolute truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. We leave it with the reader to adjust the three days and nights in the heart of the earth. Their interpretation must harmonize *with the record written of the event and the prediction of the Scriptures and Christ himself*. If we are willing to admit that the heart of the earth is to date from the time of his betrayal and surrender to the powers of the earth, all is harmony, if not then discord will ever result from all who reject the plain record. Christ said that night,

"I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do."

"And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name these whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are." John 17:4, 11.

We greatly fear the argument introduced to prove that Christ lay *in the grave* three days and three nights was begun to prove that Christ did not rise on the first day of the week, thus meeting the argument that Sunday was sanctified as a day of rest by the resurrection of Christ on that day. It is a poor policy to evade a plain truth to head off some one else. In such a case as this they do not realize that their error when followed would cause Sunday to really be, according to such reasoning, an holy day. We sometimes prove too much in our false positions.

The resurrection of Christ could not sanctify any day. Neither could His crucifixion. It is the Word of God that appoints any day to be observed. That has been done in the commandment to keep the seventh day. That forever settles that day above every other day to be observed. On that Word we stand and need no far-fetched argument to sustain it.

Sunday is the old "venerable day of the sun," as set apart by Baal worship. On that authority alone it stands. It is sustained by custom of Baal worshippers of our day.

The Bible is the best argument any one can have. We hope this may result in overthrowing the false idea that Christ did not rise on the first day of the week. If he did not, then he *did not rise the third*

day according to the Scriptures. The Scriptures said He would, and we believe He did. The apostle said it was the first day of the week, which the disciples said was the third day, and we believe what they said. We have no confidence in error, it matters not from whence it comes or who teaches it. *The error* we will condemn and ask those who hold it to have grace enough to give it up.

(To Be Continued)

RUSSIA RALLIES YOUTH TO TRAIN FOR DAY OF WAR—MILLIONS TO TAKE PART IN "DEFENSE WEEK."

Moscow, June 26.—(A. P.) — A campaign is on foot throughout the soviet union for the promotion of military preparedness in the face of the recent developments, which are regarded as threats of war. Military sports are being advocated strongly as a means to awaken the enthusiasm of the youth of the country and the heads of unions are exhorting their members to rally around Ossoaviackiet, Russia's greatest voluntary martial organization. The latter is headed by Alexis Likoff and War Commissioner Voroshiloff and its members are said to number millions.

At a special conference of the body June 24, provision was made for the organization of section military preparedness in every province and district. Special attention is to be given to the development of sharpshooters and special courses will be organized for the instruction of the residents of villages in the handling of weapons and adjusting gas masks. Lectures will be arranged for clubs, dormitories, and barracks on the theory of national defense.

THE SABBATH

(Continued from July)

Please get ready for the great supper. The papal beast will get in this generation what he has given to many a good Christian in the generations that are past and gone. Apoc. 19:11-21. Dan. 7:11. Read the note under 2 Thess. They try to blame several men for being the man of sin, while your own Bible says one man. 2 Thess. 2:3-4, 9. Martin Luther is dead, he cannot be the man of sin. Mohamet has very little power now.

These verses fit the pope, because he claims to have this power. These words are not written down to ridicule any man, because every man has a perfect right to believe as he wishes to, but it is my duty to warn you that you are being very badly deceived. The only thing that will protect you and save you at last is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Col. 1:17-18, 26-28.

My fellow men, please read your Bibles and see what God is going to do to them that take from His words or add unto them. Apoc. 22:18-19. Please read Apoc. 14:6-12. This is the last warning to be given men, before Christ returns the second time. "Blessed are they that wash their robes in the blood of the Lamb: that they may have a right to the tree of life and may enter in by the gates into the city. Apoc. 22:14.

Blessing No. 3: I have pointed out to you in your own Bible where the True God has promised three times to bless the people that will observe the true Sabbath. Then how dare any poor mortal man to curse what the True God has blessed?

The wrath of the True and Living God will be

put upon those men that have cursed God's children and God will settle all accounts in the very near future. Remember, when you pray to God, it must be through Jesus Christ. He was the one that died for you; the Virgin Mary never died for you; therefore she cannot help you one particle. She is dead and does not know what is taking place at the present time. Apoc. 14:13. Eccles. 9: 5-6. The Virgin Mary will not be any more thought of in heaven, than any other good Christian woman that has done the will of God upon this earth. Matt. 12:47-50. "Put you on the armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the deceits of the devil." Eph. 5:10-17, 6:10-17. And no wonder: for Satan himself transformeth himself into an angel of light. 2 Cor. 11:13-15. This is what is taking place today. Men will not proclaim the word of God as it should be proclaimed at this time. There-apostles are deceitful workmen, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ."

My fellow men, these words are put down here in love and kindness toward all mankind. I hope you will be benefitted by them, to see where you are standing at the present time. You are all standing on the very verge of the eternal world. Again I advise you to read your Bible for your own self; it will pay you in the days to come. My fellow men, watch for the time is very short indeed. Please read these Scriptures and see where you are: Matt. 24:29-42. Mark 13:24-37. Luke 21:25-36. Here is wisdom. He that hath understanding, let him count the number of the beast. For it is the number of a man: and the number of him is six hundred sixty-six. Apoc. 13:18. Apoc. 17:8-11. Read the notes under this chapter.

Your servant in Christ,

ANDREW D. IRVINE.

"JESUS LOVER OF MY SOUL" AND BELOVED OF MY SOUL

By John S. Stanford

Dear Brother:

Do you love Jesus? Do you really love Him? Does the thought of Jesus, whenever it comes along, cause a thrill of joy to you? Is His name personally sweet to you?

Now, Brother, do not feel hurt at my questions. As though I would question your Christianity. If you can and do answer yes to all this, I shall be glad. And if this sweet experience has not yet come along to you, no harm intended on my part and it will be nice for us to talk it over.

You know that the only real sweet experience there is in life is to love somebody. Somebody you know that you can love without any disappointment about it in any way. Of course Jesus is exactly that kind. And what seems to me to be the honest and proper result with Him is to love Him. Of course, I know that (naturally) we don't love Him. 'Tisn't in us. We can't help it. We are born that way. But, when we stop to think, we all know that we ought to. If we profess Him at all, we certainly ought to love Him. But just how to get at it—how to accomplish a thing that is not in us to do. We can't do it by trying. Anyway I had that experience. And when one finds out how to get the thing accomplished, it certainly is fine. To get so that you have somebody that every time you think of them your heart thrills with a joyous feeling certainly is fine. I know that when I started out to profess and serve Him, I meant

it—I was in earnest. But to come to the actual serving Him, to the approaching of Him (say every day or at regular times) didn't (naturally) seem a pleasure. But rather a task. But I waded into it, went at it boldly, tried to do my best. But, you know when we get before Him sometimes it is hard to know what to say. What words to use to make up a nice acceptable prayer. We do not always find it a pleasure to stay and talk to Him. Doesn't seem to be much of any real companionship in it.

But I saw that all that sort of thing was wrong. That wasn't the way to be nor do. I saw that if I was ever to serve God acceptably and with an enduring success I had got to serve Him because I loved Him, or it wouldn't last. Why, everybody sees that principle of things in every day life. The man or the woman who loves the one they are married to, it is a pleasure to live with them and what service is rendered is gladly given. There is a real companionship there.

So I told the Lord that I didn't love Him. Yes, actually told Him that I didn't (and I told Him the truth). And of course He knew it. I didn't tell Him spitefully. But acknowledged it. Then I told Him that I knew I ought to but I just couldn't. Well, that of itself was a good start for it began to soften my hard heart, just to own up. Then I said, "Lord, give me to love Thee. I know I ought to, but I don't. I just can't. Give me, I pray Thee, to love Thee. Shed abroad in my heart Thy love."

That is the only way to have the thing done. Let God do it. Let God give it. And He surely will. He surely does. And He certainly has to me. Or else it never would have been there. But it is there and I do praise God for it. For it not only gives me assurance that I am on my way, but it is a sweet experience. A thing of pleasure. A thing of daily and lasting pleasure.

Talk about thrills! Talk about some one to love. We may and can (and lots of us do) have others that we love (but they are secondary) but to love Jesus is not only the most important but it is the sweetest of all loves.

Then, there is another thing I am led to ask you. You know that when one does start the Christian life (even though we start it with a whole lot of love) the natural tendency with us is to gradually lose interest. To forget. To become indifferent. We just can't help that, either. Now, how in the world can that be stopped? How can the fires be kept burning brighter? Ah! dear brother, that is just as easy and simple as all the rest, if we go at it aright. This spiritual fire, this love-for-Jesus-fire is just like any other fire, it has to be replenished. Whatever kind of fuel it is that produces the glow, has to be renewed. And in this case what keeps the love of Jesus burning brightly in the heart is Jesus Himself dwelling in the heart, by faith. (Eph. 3:17). Well, some say, yes, that's true. When I was converted Jesus did come into my heart and he has been there ever since. But, brother, that isn't so. That is a mistake. A snare. If it was so, how could our hearts ever grow cold? Could not. For Jesus in the heart would keep the heart warm. But hearts do not always keep warm. They grow cold. So we can see that even though Jesus does come in the heart at conversion, he does not stay, steadily, there, just because He came in at conversion. No, Jesus has to be let in every morn-

ing on waking just as truly and earnestly and unflinchingly as He was the day we were converted. If He isn't, He isn't in the heart. He is only just outside, "knocking." (Rev. 3:20). He hasn't left us nor forsaken us. (Heb. 13:5). Behold He stands at the door and knocks. (Rev. 3:20).

At first it puzzled me to understand how He could be standing at the door and knocking when He says: "If any man hear My Voice and opens the door I will come in" and that is why many contend that once in He must always be there. But no the answer to that is this: "If any man hear My Voice and open the door," means that He really will come in just as He says but that He stays only till after supper, meaning till we go to sleep. How can He stay any longer? You know He dwells in the heart. But He dwells in the heart "by faith." (Eph. 3:17). And you see, brother, we cannot exercise "faith" when we are asleep. Impossible. So when we become unconscious in sleep He is not dwelling in the heart. No, but waits outside ready to knock and see if we are the same mind for His Holy Presence as we were when we went to sleep. Something else might come along (and does) for us to choose in its favor. And He must see (He knows of course). But He must see us make the choice. Not Him. His choice would be of course to dwell again for that new day in our hearts. But He must wait until He sees us, ourselves, and of our own free will make the choice. If we do, the very first thing in the morning before anything else gets in, why then surely He promptly steps in and for that day keeps all else out. Happy day! Another "happy day" and so on continually. If we every morning make the choice as earnestly and as lovingly as we made it the day we were converted. If we every morning on waking "Hear His Voice" and "open the door" (Rev. 3:20) and remember it must be every morning, for no matter how beautiful and happy a day we had spent with Him when we dropped to sleep the night before. He only staid in our hearts till after supper that night. Says so in Rev. 3:20: "If any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and *sup* with him." indicating *time*, you see.

Kindly,

Sept. 30, 1926.

BROTHER JOHN.

THE BOLSHEVIC AND THE YELLOW PERIL

(Continued from July edition.)

In connection with this subject we wish to add the writings of another as they were published in a daily paper in Pasadena, California. The writer is one who became interested in our lectures in California in 1918, being a Russian by birth and a man of intelligence I am glad to publish what he has to say about Russia, past and present in his writings.

We feel sure the readers will be interested in what he has to say on this most important subject.

So Russia Has a Future Bolsheviki

What is Bolsheviki? Bolshevism is defined best by the principles that govern the movement. As the movement gained its present power in Russia by these principles it is well to note the promises made to the people by the leaders of the movement. These are as follows as stated by another writer. As led by the cold and stubborn fanatic Lenine, and the clever adventurer Trotsky, the Bolsheviki solved the problem. This was done by meeting the weary, defeated soldiers to whom they promised a division of

the lands. This met their favor.

Then they carried to the working men the promise that they should control the labor problem and be master of that branch of industry. Thus with the same proposition which overthrew France in its great revolution, the success has come to the Bolsheviki movement to this day in Russia.

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Dear Elder Rupert:

I meant to write to you long ago, but for one reason or the other, I have been putting it off.

It is "The Yellow Peril" that is occupying my thoughts and you will perhaps be interested in hearing my views about it.

As you know I came from Russia, I have lived there a greater part of my life. There I have seen a movement growing which today is generally termed "Bolshevism." Some 15 years ago when in Riga, I became a Socialist and I lived in hopes that there would come a time when the barrier would be lifted between the classes, when all would be brothers, when the abolition of money would do away with greed, hatred, poverty and wealth! But at the same time I began to hate those who to my mind were oppressors, unscrupulous and cold capitalists. I did not hesitate to reveal my thoughts, and thus made many adversaries and hindered my own advancement.

The terrible events during the troubled years of 1915 and 1916 opened my eyes as to the objects of the extreme social revolutionists and I began to realize that they represented a great menace. At that time, all the other political parties scoffed at this handful of extremists. How could they ever have hope of gaining power and the support of the broad masses of the people! Above all, the old Czar regime was far too powerful, any revolution could easily be suffocated in its infancy. For centuries, Russian history represents a continuous chain of revolutionist propaganda of intellectuals who were trying to bring light to the great masses which lived in ignorance, poverty and slavery; but all these attempts failed as they were nipped in the bud by the widespread net of the police and spy system of the Russian government. With unheard of cruelty and barbarity all these movements were suppressed, and thousands upon thousands died in exile and prisons. Most of Russia's most popular poets, artists, and writers died from torture and exposure behind prison walls.

How could a small handful of fanatics ever hope to overthrow the government?

The recent events have shown how a small band of determined men could not only accomplish this, but also destroy a great people.

(To be continued.)

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