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On the nineteenth anniversary of the WORLD TOMORROW program, the broadcast goes out to ALL EUROPE, on the most powerful radio station on earth.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

THINK of it! This *most important work on earth* now TAKES ITS GREATEST LEAP AHEAD!

Do you realize the *significance* of this tremendous event, on our *nineteenth anniversary*? Do you know the MEANING of *nineteen years*? It marks a complete cycle of time—as God set time in nature. God placed the earth, moon, and sun, in a certain conjunction of motion to *mark time*—to set off DAYS, and MONTHS and YEARS.

A Complete Time-Cycle

Only once in nineteen years do the days, months and years come together in exact conjunction. A day is one revolution of the earth on its axis. A month, as God ordained time, is one revolution of the moon around the earth. Men have tried to alter that. A year is one revolution of the earth around the sun. These movements of the earth, moon, and sun come into exact conjunction once in nineteen years.

Nineteen years ago, the first week in January, (1934), this program went on the air. It started as small as a radio program could start, on a little 100-watt station in a small local community, Eugene, Oregon. The first week in January, 1953—after one of God's complete cycles of nature—it starts as an INTERNATIONAL and WORLD-WIDE program,

now going out on the tremendous combined total of 3,140,000 watts of power per week!

Multiplied 31,400 Times!

Yes, think of it! In one cycle of time, the proclaiming of the *original* true Message of Jesus Christ to the world has increased from 100 watts to 3,140,000 watts of power per week! Its actual broadcasting power has MULTIPLIED 31,400 times over in one 19-year cycle! Not twice, not ten times the power, not 100 times—no, not merely a *thousand* times more powerful, —but more than THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND TIMES more powerful than during that first year!

Today the cumulative weekly listening audience is rated at more than THIRTY MILLION PEOPLE!

It is doubtful whether any of the great major net-works deliver that much power on any Coast to Coast half hour weekly program. The power we now use is the equivalent of a half hour weekly program going out over 30 super-power 50,000-watt stations in the major cities such as New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Detroit, Cleveland, New Orleans, Atlanta, San Antonio, Dallas, Denver, St. Louis, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland—the largest stations in 30 such cities, PLUS 300 5,000-watt stations

such as KGW, Portland, KMAC, San Antonio, or WAIT, Chicago, —in 300 such cities; PLUS 140 1,000-watt stations in 140 other cities and towns scattered all over the nation. I do not know whether NBC or CBS has that many stations of that much power. That would be a tremendous net-work, or 470 stations in 470 cities in every part of the United States and Canada. THAT IS THE EXACT EQUIVALENT OF THE SIZE AND POWER OF THE "WORLD TOMORROW" PROGRAM TODAY. The only difference is, we are purchasing the use of facilities that furnish that much power at not more than ONE-TENTH the cost we would have to pay on such a net-work. We simply could not afford such a net-work.

God has opened the way for us to send His Message with comparable power, to the almost unbelievable mass cumulative audience of THIRTY MILLION PEOPLE per week, at an unbelievable low cost. Of course it does cost a great deal, but not more than *one-tenth* of what we would pay if we purchased our radio power thru the usual channels.

This program is the Message JESUS brought to earth. It is a Message which *makes people* THINK! It is rapidly growing into THE MOST POWERFUL AND WIDELY LISTENED-TO PROGRAM ON

EARTH, OR IN THE ENTIRE HISTORY OF THE WORLD!

Yet, this mighty work is still ONLY BEGINNING. The last warning Message—the Gospel Jesus brought—must go with a *tremendous* LOUD VOICE (Mat. 24:14) in ALL THE WORLD as a witness to ALL NATIONS—and then shall the END of this age come!

Must Be Financed Here

This broadcast to the British Isles and all Europe DOUBLES our listening audience. We are reaching about FIFTEEN MILLION people over there. Yet currency restrictions, economic and other conditions make it IMPOSSIBLE for

those people over there to contribute money to pay the European broadcasting expenses. Even if the people of France or England wanted to help pay for it, the French francs or British pounds could not be transferred into the hard cash it takes to pay Radio Luxembourg. The station does have an arrangement in New York whereby within about 30 days they can transfer United States dollars into the kind of money they can use. And for this reason, we have to pay 30 days in advance. It takes about 30 days to get the money transferred into useable cash funds in Luxembourg.

This means that our United States co-workers will have to dig a little deep-

er, and sacrifice a little more—because we of America will have to pay *all* the costs of the broadcasting to *other* parts of the world.

But WHAT A GLORIOUS OPPORTUNITY IT IS! This is the greatest, and becoming the most powerful work on earth. It is rapidly INFLUENCING AND CHANGING MORE HUMAN LIVES than any activity in the world! It is changing thousands of precious lives, that shall be converted into THE GLORIOUS KINGDOM OF GOD! Every co-worker shares an IMPORTANT PART in that all-important eternal result. Yes, WHAT A GLORIOUS PRIVILEGE it is!

Seven Ministers Ordained

by Herbert W. Armstrong

God revealed to me, seven years ago, the need to establish a college—a *new* kind of college—in which the future ministers needed for this gigantic worldwide crusade would be properly educated and trained. Ambassador College opened its doors to students October 8, 1947. It, too, started the smallest college in America—just 4 pioneer students, tho it had a faculty of eight professors and teachers. But, as all things of God do, it is GROWING, at the same ratio as the Gospel work! It is no longer the smallest college in America.

On December 20, 1952, by authority of Jesus Christ, with fasting and prayer and laying on of hands of God's ministers, in congregation assembled in Pasadena, California, upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees of The Radio Church of God, five of our young ministers were fully ordained.

They are Richard David Armstrong, Raymond Clifford Cole, Herman Louie Hoeh, Dr. C. Paul Meredith, and Roderick Carl Meredith—all graduates of Ambassador College, except Dr. C. Paul Meredith who already held the doctor's degree from Iowa State College, but who had completed the entire four years of Theological study at Ambassador College.

Upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees, two more of our young ministers, Marion Joel McNair and Raymond Franklin McNair, will be fully ordained following their graduation from the college January 30, 1953.

This ordination authorizes these ministers to perform all the duties and exercise all the powers of the clergy, and clothes them with all the AUTHORITY

conferred by Jesus Christ upon His called and chosen ministers.

And so it is that God has sent to us

here, caused to be thoroughly trained by education, by experience, and thoroughly fitted by conversion, consecration, and Holy Spirit-leading, SEVEN fine young ministers whom HE has called and chosen. They have studied hard and diligently for years. They are all experienced and competent. They have been tried and tested, and found faithful and loyal.

Thus, on this first 19-year cycle anniversary, the work of GOD leaps suddenly and dynamically from a local and national work to an INTERNATIONAL and WORLD-WIDE CRUSADE. On this very anniversary God has added SEVEN called, consecrated, Spirit-filled, properly educated and trained and experienced ministers!

It is imperative to send Dick Armstrong back to Europe as soon as possible, to open offices in London and Paris, and to preach over Radio Luxembourg IN THE FRENCH LANGUAGE. Herman Hoeh may have to return to Europe for a while next summer. For the present both Raymond Cole and Rod Meredith are filling local pastorates. Dr. Meredith is Director of the forthcoming Correspondence Course of Bible Study, now in process of beginning and preparation.

All these men will continue their advanced graduate studies at Ambassador toward the higher theological degrees, as time and their duties permit. But they are now fully ordained, full-time, and qualified Ministers of Jesus Christ, clothed with full powers and authority.

Yes, in spite of opposition, persecution, trial and test, GOD'S WORK IS GROWING IN A MANNER ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE!

RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

Herbert W. Armstrong analyzes today's news, with the prophecies of The WORLD TOMORROW!

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HOW Human Annihilation May Be Prevented!

There remain now only TWO possible ways for men to prevent the annihilation of human life from off this planet by the terrifying energies of destruction being produced by science and technology. One of these two ways men are INCAPABLE of, and the other they are UNWILLING to do! How, then, may life be saved on this planet?

(Editor's note: This is a reprint of the second broadcast to the British Isles and all Europe over the world's most powerful station, Radio Luxembourg. It has set millions over there to thinking. It ought to make US think!)

by Herbert W. Armstrong

JUST *where* is this world headed. NOW? World famous scientists who *know* what terrifying powers of destruction are being developed warn us that they, themselves, are frankly FRIGHTENED! . . . that unless world peace can be achieved very soon, it will become possible to *blast human life from off this planet!* These scientific gentlemen solemnly warn us that nothing but A SUPER WORLD-GOVERNMENT can now save mankind!

Let's face the situation realistically. Take a quick over-all view from World War I up to the present. Woodrow Wilson led the Allies into the conviction they were fighting the war TO END ALL WARS! We had The Hague Conference. We tried the League of Nations. Then the Pact of Paris, outlawing war; —but those diplomats overlooked the fact that an outlaw is a menace to society, and when WAR was made an outlaw, war once again menaced all civilization: —we were plunged into World War II!

Once again many believed they were fighting the WAR TO END ALL WARS. And then, although we could look back on the failures of The Hague Conference, The League of Nations, The Pact of Paris, and the meetings at Berchtesgaden, Munich, Teheran, Yalta and Potsdam, this peace-hungry world pinned its faith once again in another political co-operative effort—The UNITED NATIONS. I was an accredited correspondent at the San Francisco Conference. There I heard one after another of the prime ministers, foreign secretaries and chief diplomats of the nations of the world declare solemnly that the UNITED NATIONS there being formed *was the world's last and ONLY hope for world peace.*

But a little later we began to hear statesmen, generals, admirals and news correspondents speak cautiously the phrase: "IF there is another world war." I attended the opening meeting of the Security Council in New York, and there

I beheld high tension and belligerency among nations supposed to be joining in a common organization for PEACE. Soon world statesmen, military leaders and journalists ceased using the cautious "IF" there is another war, and began speaking about "WHEN," and "HOW." Since that time I have interviewed, or sent our own foreign correspondents to interview, top statesmen in London, Washington, Paris and Berlin and Rome, and to interview *people*—just the PLAIN PEOPLE of all walks of life, in England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Yugoslavia, and throughout the United States.

NOWHERE do we find assurances of world PEACE, but only forebodings of friction, and of WAR! After MONTHS of conferences in KOREA looking toward a cease-fire and an armistice, we look back only on session after session of WRANGLING, and there is no cease-fire and no armistice. What do we behold in UNITED NATIONS meetings? Not harmony and peace, but bitter WRANGLING, QUARRELING in the council chambers.

TODAY we live in a tense, jittery, chaotic world DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF. Now this new ONE WORLD, divided AGAINST itself, is engaged in an atomic and HYDROGEN bomb race for SURVIVAL—a race in which this world CANNOT ENDURE ANOTHER 25 YEARS unless something now wholly UNFORESEEN occurs to STOP it, and bring this world, —PEACE!

My friends, that something UNFORESEEN *will* occur! —but HOW? I have overwhelming GOOD NEWS for you—and it is absolutely SURE and CERTAIN!

Yet we must be PRACTICAL. We must view the condition AS IT IS—realistically! We must FACE the terrifying facts that actually GRIP this world in their clutch!

What, then, lies ahead? How will events shape up FROM HERE? How can the world ESCAPE the certain destruction

toward which it is now plunging?

To bring you the rational and sane answer, we must examine conditions as they ARE in the world not only, but we must UNDERSTAND the real CAUSE of all wars, which NONE OF THE WORLD'S TOP STATESMEN TODAY COMPREHENDS! And we must come to KNOW the PURPOSE being worked out here below!

But, let's be realistic!—THE WORLD LONG AGO REJECTED THAT WAY, and we might as well realize it isn't going to turn now, even in the present world plight, to the Creator GOD, *repent* of its own evil ways, and begin putting its TRUST in THE ALMIGHTY. Not THIS evil world of supposed rationalism, science, —of vanity and greed, groping in a veritable BABYLON of differing religious creeds!

It is always DARKEST just before the DAWN; and horrible as the present world chaos is, we shall see still DARKER times—but THAT IS BECAUSE WE ARE NOW VERY CLOSE TO THE DAWN! Yes, the longed-for dawn of WORLD PEACE, and of happiness and plenty for ALL.

IT'S COMING! I promise you, IT'S COMING! But don't suppose I am going to tell you it will come as a result of this world and its leaders suddenly turning to GOD—suddenly surrendering to GOD, and crying out to HIM for deliverance, suddenly putting its faith in HIM! No, my friends, —not this evil world!

Then can MEN solve the problem of world peace WITHOUT God? Can our world leaders show us the way? They *tried* The League of Nations, The Hague Conference, the Pact of Paris, the United Nations. Do they now have a NEW idea that is BETTER? Do you suppose for one moment it is POSSIBLE for the new President Eisenhower, or Prime Minister Churchill, or the French or German or Italian or Spanish leaders to get together with Marshal Stalin in a love-feast of

mutual TRUST and CO-OPERATION that will produce world PEACE? No, let's not be soft headed enough to believe in that, either.

LET'S BE REALISTIC! Let's examine the facts AS THEY ARE.

This world is VERY SICK! It is a *divided* world, in a three-cornered struggle to determine whether COMMUNISM, FASCISM, or DEMOCRACY shall dominate the world. It is a WORLD AT WAR—in what we call COLD WAR, flavored with three smaller HOT wars in Korea, Indo-China and Malaya, which are not so small after all. It is a world filled with HUNGER and WANT in many places; a world filled with perplexity, empty lives, fears and worries, sickness, pain and SUFFERING. It's a SICK WORLD.

There can be no CURE for a sickness or disease until we find the CAUSE and remove that! My friends, there is a CAUSE for the world's ills! There is a CAUSE for the wars this world has suffered since the dawn of history. Yet our political leaders, our statesmen, our men at the HEAD of world affairs, DO NOT UNDERSTAND THAT CAUSE—and I'm going to tell you why!

To come to CLEAR UNDERSTANDING of the root CAUSE of world ills, we need to stand off, AWAY from this entire world, as it were, in our minds—and view this world as a whole from its beginning up to now. This will clear our perspective, and bring the true picture into focus. . . . Because, as Winston Churchill said in the first speech ever made by a foreign diplomat to the American Congress, "There is a PURPOSE being worked out here below!" And a HIGHER POWER, above, *is doing the working out!* Let's quit deceiving ourselves! Let's face this original PURPOSE—let's face history as it has worked out—let's FACE conditions as they are today, realistically! MEN HAVE FAILED TO DO THAT! Our world leaders have never done it! That's why they are unable to LEAD this world out of its misery, its wars, and unhappiness!

The Eternal God created man and placed him on this earth FOR A PURPOSE. But man has lost the knowledge of the very PURPOSE of his existence!

When The Eternal MOST HIGH RULER of the universe first placed man on this planet earth, all was perfect harmony and beauty. There was PEACE. There was PLENTY. There was BEAUTY. There was every need and facility for HAPPINESS.

In order to make POSSIBLE for man a peaceful, happy, prosperous and joyful existence, the Eternal God designed that all things operate according to fixed, inexorable LAWS. We have the laws of gravity, and inertia. We have the laws of physics and of chemistry. There are

physical laws that cause our human bodies and minds to FUNCTION, and if these laws are not violated, they KEEP US WELL AND HEALTHY. And then, of necessity, there is the great, fundamental, invisible SPIRITUAL LAW which regulates man's relationship with his CREATOR, and man's relationship with fellow MAN. Now the purpose of this inexorable SPIRITUAL law, like all of God's laws, is to make possible man's HAPPINESS—to bring man PEACE and JOY,—to make life really worth living! But of course, when this spiritual law is broken, then varying kinds of unhappiness, fear and worry, strife and war, come in varying degrees AS THE PENALTY.

That great over-all SPIRITUAL Law is just simply LOVE! It is LOVE in continual action. It is love manifest and expressed! It is love, first to God the CREATOR, in reverence, adoration, gratitude and OBEDIENCE—(because He is the SUPREME CREATOR-RULER who alone KNOWS what is right for us and has power to give it); and it is love, secondly, to FELLOW MAN, in peace, co-operation, service. It is a way that travels the very OPPOSITE DIRECTION from greed, vanity, hate, strife, or war.

This great SPIRITUAL LAW is a PRINCIPLE—a WAY OF LIFE—it is an ATTITUDE OF MIND AND HEART. It is the correct way to *think*, and to LIVE. It is not merely moral principle—it is divinely-set-in-motion SPIRITUAL LAW, and it operates automatically and inexorably!

It is the way Jesus epitomized when He said, "It is more blessed to GIVE than to receive." It puts the emphasis upon GIVING more than getting.

There are only TWO fundamental WAYS OF LIFE. ONLY TWO. The other way is the way of self-sufficiency, rejection of God, human vanity, selfishness and greed. It is the way of thinking only for SELF—the way of trying to reach out and TAKE happiness, even tho it must be taken FROM one's neighbor. Simply, it is the way of GETTING—of TAKING. God's spiritual law is the way of GIVING!

Now the Creator made man a FREE MORAL AGENT—and for a purpose!—FREE TO DECIDE WHICH WAY OF LIFE HE WOULD FOLLOW! And ever since Adam in the Garden of Eden, man, somehow, has believed that God is wrong, and that man is sufficient to himself, and he has followed the ways of vanity and of GREED.

"Why, PRIDE," man reasons, "—the desire to GET, to accumulate, to HAVE, is the impelling motive that stimulates EFFORT, produces incentive for endeavor, spurs man on toward PROGRESS. COMPETITION, men believe, is the very LIFE of trade, commerce and business.

It spurs men on, leads to greater production, makes for PROGRESS!" THAT, my friends, is the philosophy of this world.

AND THAT VERY PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE PUT TO 6,000 YEARS OF PRACTICE, IS THE ONE ROOT CAUSE OF ALL WARS!

That philosophy means that man has REBELLED against the rule of GOD! God rules by His LAW OF LOVE. But God, for a PURPOSE, made man a free moral agent. MAN CHOSE TO REJECT THE RULE OF GOD, and to try to govern HIMSELF and his fellows. *That was man's great MISTAKE!*

Take a quick glance, now, how that way developed. For almost the first 2,000 years of human history we have a record of only THREE MEN who were willing to OBEY God, and live under God's RULE—Abel, Enoch, and Noah. After the Flood, sent as a judgment, one would think the survivors should have learned their lesson. Yet in only two generations a man of ability and ingenuity rose up to defy God's government and to ORGANIZE society according to the selfish, competitive principle! This man was Nimrod, the grandson of Ham. He conceived the idea of REGIMENTATION—huddling families together in CITIES, so he could regulate their lives, rule them, organize them into specialized production and distribution systems, and make multiple PROFITS off the sweat and toil of OTHERS. Nimrod built Babylon, Nineveh, and other cities. Read it in Genesis 10:11-12.

At first the world was organized only into CITY-states. You read of them in ancient history. Each city had its own king. But soon one king cast lustful eyes over a neighboring city or two, organized his men into an ARMED FIGHTING FORCE, invaded his neighboring cities and took them under HIS rule. And so NATIONS were born. As NATIONS organized armies of aggression, EMPIRES came into being.

ALL SOCIETY came to be organized on this selfish, GETTING basis. God was ignored. Man exalted himself—and other MEN. THIS, my friends, is what we call CIVILIZATION!

So here we have HUMAN government, based on HUMAN nature, instead of GOD'S government founded on GOD'S ETERNAL LAWS. There have been various FORMS of human government. But remember this: EVERY SINGLE GOVERNMENT IN THIS WORLD, OF WHATEVER FORM, is merely a different *method* of administering this same HUMAN system contrary to the GOVERNMENT OF GOD! And it is this SYSTEM—the organized expression of HUMAN NATURE—which is the root CAUSE of all the world's ills, and of all WARS! This system

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The New Covenant— *Does it abolish God's Law?*

Thousands have asked if the New Covenant does away with God's Commandments. Here's the TRUTH on this question.

by Raymond C. Cole

NEARLY everyone has been taught that the old covenant was the ten commandment law—that the new covenant contains only grace and promises, but no law. Hence it is argued that since the old covenant has been abolished God's law has also been abolished.

This teaching would lead you to believe that the law of God was harsh, cruel, and enslaving—that the **FAULT** of the old covenant was with the law, and since *God* gave the law, the **FAULT** must have been His!

Later, according to this common teaching, Jesus came with a new covenant which had no law, only promises and liberty to do what you please.

Certainly there is something terribly wrong with this concept.

Why the New Covenant?

There is a vital need for the new covenant. Why? Paul wrote: "For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. For *finding fault . . .*" (Hebrews 8:7,8). So the first covenant had a fault, for "finding fault . . ." with what, the law? **NO!**

"For finding fault *with THEM*, he saith, Behold, the days come saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah."

Then the fault wasn't with the law, but "with *them*," **THE PEOPLE**, the children of Israel "because they continued not in my covenant"—because they *disobeyed* (Heb. 8:9). If the fault were with the law, then the law would *not* have been perfect; but David said, "The law of the Lord *is perfect*, converting the soul" (Psalm 19:7).

It was to correct *the fault with the people* that God said He will make another covenant. Now let's find out what the old covenant really was so we can know **HOW** the new covenant will correct that fault.

What Is a "Covenant"?

The real reason most churches don't understand the truth about the covenants is that they don't even know what

a "covenant" is! Webster defines a covenant as "a mutual *agreement*, a legal undertaking to do or to refrain from some act, a *document containing the terms of agreement*."

A covenant is an agreement between parties.

The Eternal God *proposed* the old covenant with Israel in Exodus 19:5,6. Here were the parties to the agreement or covenant. Notice what it says: "If ye (Israel) will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant"—that was Israel's part of the agreement, "*then*"—and this was the **ETERNAL'S** part of the agreement, the part he promised to do—"ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation."

Did the people accept this *proposal*? "And all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord hath spoken *we will do*" (verse 8).

The Old Covenant a Marriage Agreement!

Very few know it, but the old covenant proposed by the Lord was a *marriage agreement* between Him and Israel! Israel was organized as both church and state.

Here is what Ezekiel wrote about this covenant, "I entered into a *covenant* with thee, saith the Lord God, and *thou becamest mine*" (Ezekiel 16:8).

Again, in Jeremiah 31:32 you read, "My covenant they brake, *although I was an husband unto them*, saith the Lord."

Do you see, now, that the covenant was not just the ten commandments, but an *agreement* between the Lord and the nation—the church of Israel? They accepted the terms that He gave to them. They bound themselves by this first covenant to refrain from any adulterous or whorish relations with the "gods" of other nations (Exodus 34:12-17). In turn, the Lord promised to remain *faithful* to Israel, and provide for them and bless them even to a thousand generations (Deut. 7:9).

But what were the conditions of the old covenant to which Israel agreed?

The Terms of the Old Covenant

There is a great deal of needless mis-

understanding about that which constituted the first covenant with Israel. In Exodus, the 19th chapter, God made arrangements to declare the conditions of His covenant to the people. Then in the 20th chapter God spoke every word of the ten commandments. The ten commandments are a perfect and complete law in themselves. When the Eternal God finished speaking them "HE ADDED NO MORE. AND HE WROTE THEM IN TWO TABLES OF STONE" (Deut. 5:22).

The ten commandments were a *distinct part* of the terms of the old covenant to which Israel agreed. They were the **TABLES OF THE COVENANT** (Deut. 9:9,11).

Now notice Exodus, the 24th chapter. In verse 7 Moses "took the **BOOK OF THE COVENANT**, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the Lord hath said will we do, and be obedient."

So beside the *tables* of the covenant, containing the ten basic spiritual laws (Rom. 7:14), there was a *book* of the covenant containing the civil laws of the covenant between Israel and the Lord.

From the 21st to the 23rd chapters inclusive, the Eternal revealed these specific *civil laws*, which *Moses wrote in a book* (Exodus 24:3,4), were based on the principles of the ten great and broad *spiritual* precepts—the ten commandments.

After God spoke the ten commandments to the people, *after* Moses received the civil laws from God and delivered them to Israel, you will find that the first covenant was sealed with blood—it became binding (Exodus 24:8 and Hebrews 9:18-20).

Since Israel had accepted the Eternal God as her husband, she was to be obedient to Him just as the wife is to be obedient to her husband. The Lord was head of the nation Israel. Israel was to keep herself unspotted from the evil of the world by being faithful to the laws or terms of the agreement which would make their relationship a perfect union.

When God spoke the old covenant to Israel at the time they were brought

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out of Egypt, He did not command them "concerning burnt offerings and sacrifices: But this thing commanded I them saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people" (Jeremiah 7:22,23).

The ceremonial and ritualistic laws were *added later because of transgressions and as a reminder of sin*—after the old covenant was sealed. They were not a part of the covenant because they came after the marriage agreement was completed. The spiritual laws of the old covenant DEFINE sin, the civil laws amplify them and prescribe punishments for disobedience.

Remember that the spiritual and civil laws were not instituted by the old covenant. They were already in existence and had to be included in the covenant. (See Genesis 26:5 and Exodus 16:28 and 18:16).

Old Covenant Had Only MATERIAL Promises

Since the ETERNAL was as a husband to Israel, He agreed to provide for His holy nation. Carefully notice that IN NO PLACE IS THE BLESSING OF ETERNAL LIFE PROMISED, NOR IS ANY OTHER SPIRITUAL PROMISE GIVEN. Every promise given to them was *material*—they were to be fruitful and multiply greatly, their cattle and all livestock were.

to be very productive, their land would give abundant produce, they would become the greatest nation on earth IF THEY WOULD OBEY AS A WIFE OUGHT TO. God promised to walk *among* them and be their God. He did *not* promise to dwell *in* them through the Holy Spirit.

But if they disobeyed and did not remain faithful they were to be cursed by punishments in this world only. Hunger, sickness, famine, sorrow and war would overtake them just as *material* troubles ensnare any wife who is disobedient to her marriage vows and seeks promiscuous relations with others than her husband (Lev. 26 and Deut. 28).

Israel Was Divorced

Now read Jeremiah 11:10. Did Israel remain faithful to the covenant?

"They *went after other gods* to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah *have broken my covenant* which I made with their fathers."

Israel and Judah did not remain faithful, the marriage agreement—the old covenant—*was broken*. Listen to what the Lord says in Jeremiah 3:8: "And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel *committed adultery* I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also."

The relationship became so bad that the Eternal was finally forced into divorcing His own people. He first sent Israel into captivity by the Assyrians and later Judah by the Babylonians (Ezek. 23).

Now that we have seen what happened to the first covenant, let's observe the fault with it.

What Was the Fault With the Old Covenant?

Paul said the fault with the old covenant was not in the laws, but in the people with whom it was made. Why?

Because it was *not* possible for them to remain faithful to the righteous conditions God had prescribed in His covenant. "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them" (Deut. 5:29).

Here was the weakness of the old covenant. *The people did not have the strength of character to be faithful to their vow*. The law was "weak through the flesh" (Romans 8:3). The righteousness under the first covenant was to be accomplished only through human obedience, fleshly effort, because *there was no spiritual promise of receiving the Holy Spirit*.

Israel was unable to serve the Lord

because they did not have a God-fearing nature within them. This condition will be changed in the new covenant.

How the Fault Will Be Corrected

Remember that the first covenant had the spiritual laws written on two tables of stone and the civil laws in a book. Obedience had to come from carnal flesh alone. Now notice what will happen in the new covenant.

It won't be according to the agreement made with ancient Israel. Observe the differences: "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; *I will put my LAWS into their mind, and write them in their hearts*" (Heb. 8:10; Jer. 31:33).

So there will be *laws*, GOD'S LAWS, the *same* laws which stand fast forever and ever (Psalm 111:7,3); but this time they will be written in the hearts and minds of the people. They will be "written not with ink, *but with the Spirit of the living God*; not in tables of stone, but in the fleshy tables of the heart" (II Cor. 3:3).

Then the new covenant will be made only with those who have God's law indelibly written in their thoughts and actions.

And what is the power that writes God's laws in our hearts and minds? "The Spirit of the living God."

The love of God which fulfills the law is "shed abroad *by the Holy Spirit* which is given unto us" (Romans 5:5). The Holy Spirit is one of the *better* promises of the new covenant (Heb. 8:6).

Also notice that the new covenant will be made with ISRAEL—the house of Israel and the house of Judah. The new covenant will not be made with those who remain Gentiles as most people falsely assume. The covenants and the promises pertain to Israel (Rom. 9:4).

Since the new covenant will be made with Israel, what about the Gentiles? Are they totally left out? Or has God provided some way by which they may receive that same blessings which are promised to Israel?

How Gentiles Can Enter

In Ephesians, the second chapter, Paul wrote to those who were "*in time past* Gentiles in the flesh . . . that at that time ye were without Christ." Why? "Being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world."

How then can Gentiles come into the same promises that were granted Israel? The next verse tells us, "But now *in Christ Jesus* ye who sometimes were far

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Should *Your Child* Participate in School Activities?

Thousands of readers have written us for advice in meeting the serious problems which children face in public schools. Should children join clubs, take part in Christmas and Easter plays, participate in sports after school hours?

by Rod Meredith

ALMIGHTY God, our Creator, wants our children to live *happy, joyous* lives! Christ came that we all might live more abundantly—have lives full of interesting and worthwhile activities (John 10:10).

In order to provide a way for our happiness, God gave us His law—His way of life—to guide us in the paths that lead to that happiness. The early, Spirit-filled church understood that true Christianity is a definite *way of life*. In Acts 9:2 and 19:9,23, it is referred to as "this WAY" and "that WAY."

The present organized society doesn't follow *that way*!

"Strait is the gate, and narrow is *the way*, which leadeth unto life, and FEW there be that find it" (Matt. 7:14). This world has separated itself from God and is going a far different *way* than that of the early true church. In Galatians 1:4 it is called "this present *evil* world."

No Fellowship With This World

The apostle James tells us, "whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God" (James 4:4). Paul was inspired to write, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" (II Cor. 6:14).

Unrighteousness, or sin, is defined as breaking God's law (I John 3:4). Christians cannot have religious and social *fellowship* with the people of this world who refuse to acknowledge God's law—much less obey it. Of course, we can do business with the world, so long as we don't begin fellowshipping the world or practicing its *way* (I Cor. 5:9-11).

We are *not* to be part and parcel with this world—"this present *evil* world."

What About Our Children?

As God wants us *all* to lead happy, abundant lives, your child should not be deprived of doing whatever *in the end*

will result in a happier, more worthwhile life.

There are *many things* which we, and our children, can do in the world—and yet not have fellowship with the world. We need to know *where* to draw the line!

In Christ's prayer for His disciples, He said, "I pray *not* that thou shouldst take them out of the world, *but* that thou shouldst keep them from the evil" (John 17:15). Later, He told them, "Go ye *into* all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). They were to go *into* the world, but were not to be *of* it—not to partake of its *evil*.

We Need to Understand This World

As Christ's disciples today, we must present the gospel—the message of God's kingdom—to the world in a powerful and convincing manner. In order to *understand* the worldly people we will be dealing with, we need to observe their way of life and learn their basic attitudes. We need to know what they are thinking and doing.

This *doesn't* mean that we are to *fellowship* them—join their churches, lodges, clubs, parties, or become intimate with them in any other way. But to understand this world, we can not shut ourselves off in some dark corner and have no contact with the outside world.

Teach Children God's Way

We need to ask God daily to help us associate with the unconverted in a friendly, loving manner but *never* to *fellowship*—to associate approvingly—with them in their worldly activities.

Children need special training, and God's guidance, to help them meet these problems, especially in their school life. Your little children should gradually be taught and trained to live *God's way*.

God inspired Solomon to write, "Train up a child *in the way he should go*; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).

If God's way is the *best way*—the *happiest way*—why shouldn't we want to teach our children that way?

We had *better not* be ashamed of the precious truth of God, but learn to teach it to our children. Too many parents don't know how to teach their children at home.

The Problem of School Activities

When your child understands God's way of life, he will encounter many school activities which are contrary to that way. He will *also find some activities which are necessary to develop abilities and personality in the right direction—without breaking God's law*.

For instance, the ability to produce beautiful music certainly glorifies God *if* it is exercised properly. In most cases, your child need *not fellowship* the world in order to take music lessons, play in a band or orchestra or sing in the school chorus. In these activities, the idea is *not* social or religious fellowship, but to produce co-operatively good music and to cultivate each individual's talents. Such activities will give your child the contact with others he needs. They will teach him to work in harmony and to co-operate—in a *worthwhile* activity—with his fellow human beings. This will help develop his personality, his confidence, and will enable him to better *understand* and deal with those around him. Lack of *any* such activity or contact will almost inevitably result in a *narrow, stunted personality development*.

The main *problem* these activities present is the fact that they are often held on God's Sabbath and are sometimes directly connected with the celebration of this world's *pagan* holidays. The parent and child will have to work this out with teachers according to the circumstances in each particular case.

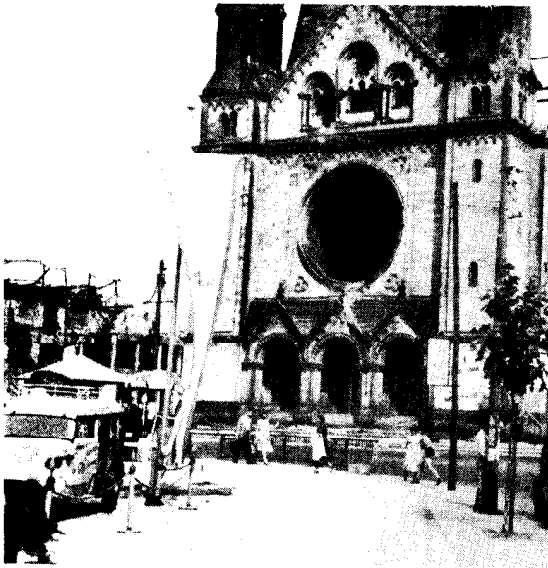
However, we need to know *how far* God would wish us to go.

In Jeremiah 10:2-3, God says, "Learn *not* the way of the *heathen*, . . . for the" (Please continue on page 16)

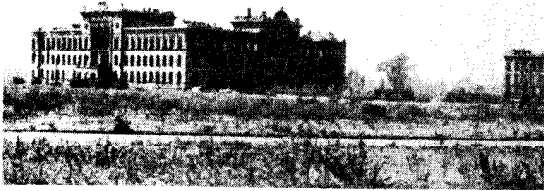
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Here we show you additional scenes of the troubled center of world disturbance—the location of PROPHECY FULFILLMENT—powder-keg EUROPE.

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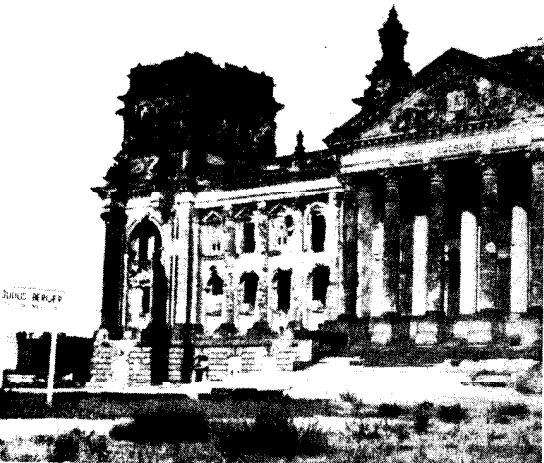
The gutted remains of the Kaiser's Kirche on Kurfurstendamm in Berlin. This part of the city was very heavily damaged during the war—something the Germans have never forgiven us for.



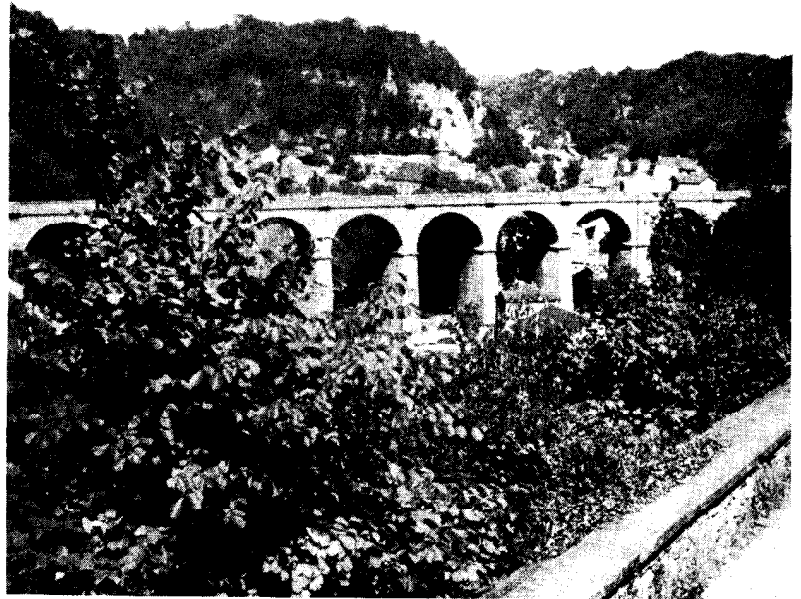
A building in the old civic center of Berlin. The entire area was once beautifully landscaped. The trees were cut down by the Germans and used for fuel during the winter of '46-'47.



The modern autobahns that Hitler built for Germany—the best highways in Europe. This view is between Frankfurt and Mannheim.



The remains of the Reichstag Building. This was once one of the most beautiful buildings in Berlin, surrounded by beautiful gardens.



Two views of the city of Luxembourg in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg where the race



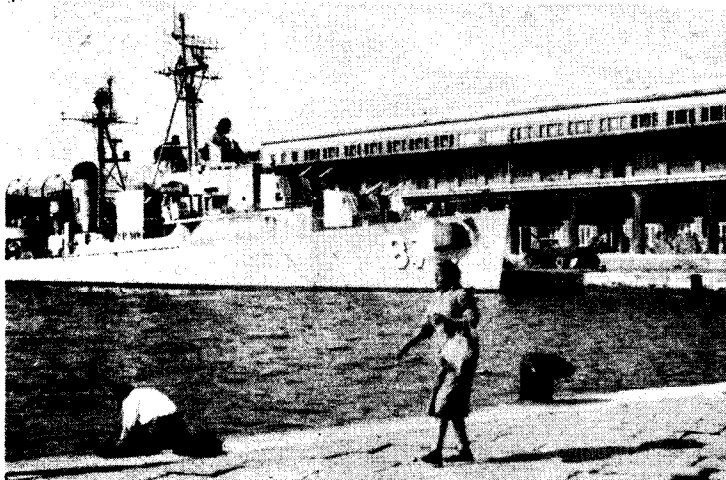
New construction of the Farben Fabriken-Bayer Co. in Frankfurt. This was the large chemical cartel that made munitions for the German army.

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An American destroyer tied up at Trieste. The U.S. Army maintains a garrison here. Note the bundle the woman is carrying on her head.



One of Belgrade's skyscrapers. There is a large red star on top of the building which lights up at night.



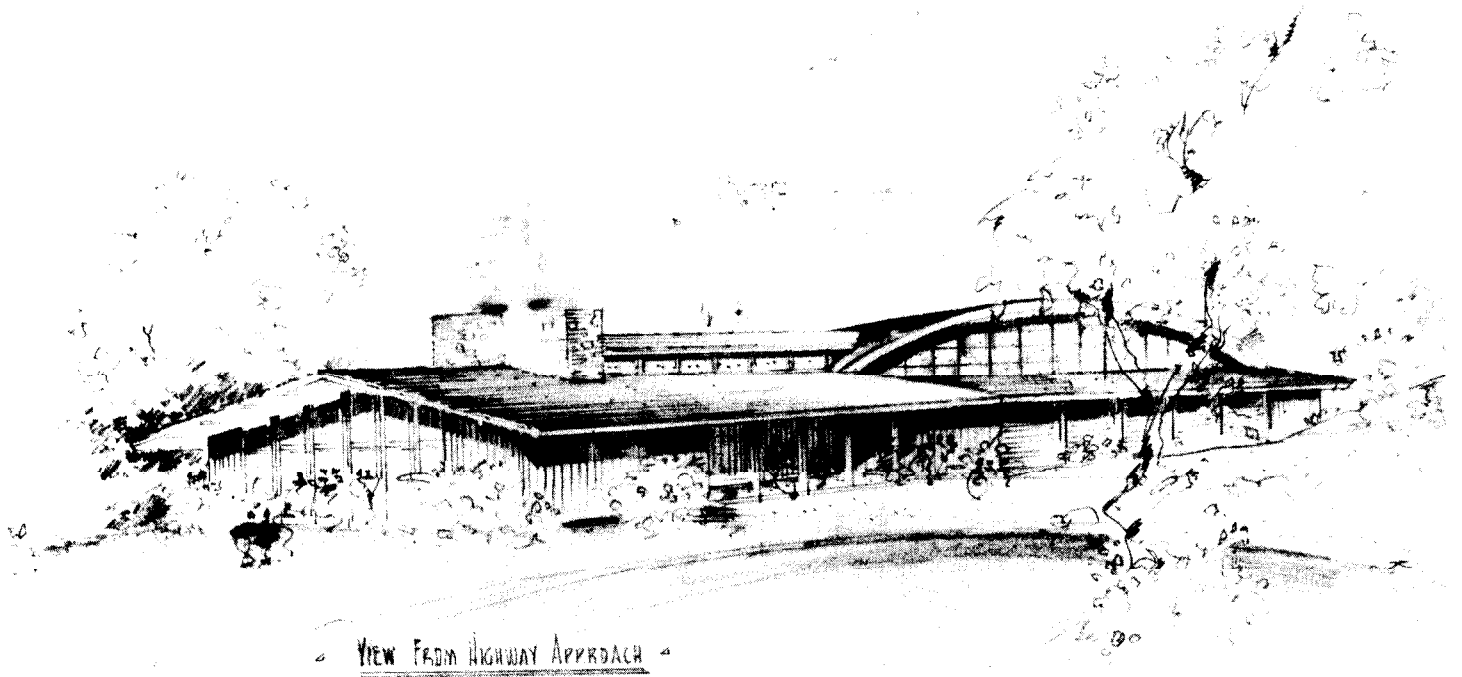
A street corner in Belgrade. At the right is the Putnik office—the official government tourist bureau. The letters are of the Cyrillic alphabet, which is used in Yugoslavia.



A street scene in Belgrade. Note the woman sleeping on the sidewalk by her horse and wagon.



One of the main avenues of Belgrade, Yugoslavia. Note the lack of traffic. Everyone walks or rides busses.



VIEW FROM HIGHWAY APPROACH

The TABERNACLE at Gladewater, Texas

HERE'S the first view of the architect's sketch of the proposed Tabernacle to be erected immediately on the recently purchased beautiful wooded site near Gladewater, Texas.

Last spring, although only a small portion of our great co-worker family had heard about it, we were surprised to see 123 come to Gladewater for the solemn memorial of Christ's death for our sins the Passover.

A beautifully wooded, private and secluded tract of some 45 acres, on Highway 80 about 7 miles west of Gladewater, has been partly donated and the balance purchased and cleared. A private roadway has been graded, leading from Highway 80, back into this totally secluded and private tract. The roadway now awaits surfacing. The grounds are sloping and beautifully contoured. A beautiful lake is to be created, overlooked by the tabernacle pictured above.

The tabernacle will be erected atop a beautiful knoll. It will serve three purposes. The rear portion, to the right in the sketch, covered by the arched roof, will be the tabernacle for the annual festivals. As first built, this tabernacle portion will seat 440 people. It is designed so that it can be widened later, a wing at a time, each to seat 196 additional persons, or a total of 392 additional. There will be room for a choir or chorale of 30 on the rostrum.

Entrance is from a porch-way or portico in the center, behind which is the permanent school and church, and to the rear of that, the kitchen and rest rooms. It is so designed that the church and school room (for year-round use) can be opened up to become part of the larger auditorium, adding 150 seats. This gives a final grand total of more than 1,000 seats, when finally completed.

The front portion, shown at forefront, left, to be added later, is a large View and Lounge room, with a huge fireplace. It will also serve as a supple-

mentary school room and dining room. It is enclosed by solid glass picture windows on two sides, overlooking the beautiful lake below and the scenic beauty of the property.

It is planned to construct the large tabernacle, to the right above, first, and to have it ready in time for the Passover this Spring, altho at the present time funds are not coming in for this Building Fund rapidly enough to get it completed even by a year from this Passover. It is going to require a great many more contributions, and some of fairly large amounts. One listener in Florida, engaged in the plumbing business, has offered to donate all the plumbing fixtures, and this will prove a tremendous help, for which all co-workers will be grateful.

Ordinarily good common construction today costs at least \$12 per square foot. While this Tabernacle will be very attractive, yet because this part of the building will be used only in mid-spring or mid-fall, during mild weather, it is being lightly constructed at a cost of around \$5 per square foot. We are economizing every way possible, without sacrificing needed quality. Every co-worker is urged to realize the seriousness of this need, the SHORT time remaining, and to make sacrifices and send in the largest sums possible for this building fund immediately, by return air-mail. **IT MUST NOT FAIL!**

HOLY DAY CALENDAR

For 1955

Passover, after sunset, Sunday, March 29th.

Days of Unleavened Bread, beginning sunset, Monday, March 30th, ending sunset, Monday April 6th. Tuesday, March 31st and Monday, April 6th, are annual Sabbaths.

Pentecost, Monday, May 25th, beginning previous sunset.

Festival of Trumpets, Thursday, September 10th.

Day of Atonement, fast day, Saturday, September 19th.

Festival of Tabernacles, begins sunset, Wednesday, September 23rd, ends sunset, Thursday, October 1st.

Did Jesus Teach against the Sabbath?

Jesus came from heaven bearing a startling message from God to man—the gospel of the kingdom of God—and to train disciples who were to found the New Testament church which would carry the same gospel world-wide. What were the practices of Jesus? What did He teach His disciples?

by Herman L. Hoeh

Part IV

IT IS shocking but true—the teachings of Jesus and the inspired early New Testament church are not being preached by most churches today. The hundreds of denominations which resulted from the Protestant Reformation *have NEVER regained the true faith* which was corrupted for centuries by the great apostacy that occurred immediately after the death of the apostles.

The apostacy was working *secretly* in Paul's day (II Thess. 2:7). Later Jude wrote with great anxiety that the brethren should contend earnestly for the true faith which was delivered by Jesus and the apostles, because there were certain men **ALREADY CREPT IN** who were perverting the true gospel (Jude 3,4).

It's time we examined the teachings of Jesus, the apostles and the early church. Was Sunday the day for religious worship? Were Christmas and Easter the festivals of the original church?

Jesus Rejected Judaism

Over nineteen centuries ago, Jesus Christ came from the throne of God bearing a message, the gospel of the kingdom of God (Mark 1:15), among Jews who were steeped in Judaism—the *traditions of the elders*. In almost every act, and in almost every statement, he was in conflict with their man-made teachings.

You have probably heard the customary assumption that the *traditions*, which were so fashionable among the Jews, were the teachings of God contained in the Old Testament.

This common assumption is false!

Jesus himself said: "Why do ye also *transgress the commandment of God by your tradition* . . . teaching for doctrines the commandments of men" (Matthew 15:3-9; Mark 7:6-13). Judaism is *not* the pure Old Testament religion. It is a system of man-made *additions* and fables that, as Jesus said, make the law of God of no effect. He never followed these foolish customs that the Jews developed.

Sure the Jews in Christ's day *claimed*

to follow Moses. But did they really believe Moses? "But if ye believe *not* his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" said Jesus in John 5:47.

Jesus often turned to the writings of Moses to prove that He was the prophesied *messenger of the New Covenant* (Hebrews 8:6; 12:24). In connection with preaching the New Testament message, Jesus came to set His church an example of the way of life which they should follow (I John 2:6). Since Jesus rejected Judaism and set an example for the New Testament church, let's see which days he observed and *what he commanded his disciples to teach the church*.

Why Jesus Observed God's Sabbath

Luke tells us that from a child Jesus observed the passover and feast of unleavened bread with his family (Luke 2:41,42). It was also *the custom of Jesus as a youth to attend services on the sabbath*. When starting his ministry, "he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and *as his custom was*, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read" (Luke 4:16).

So we would not be in doubt about Jesus' teaching for the church, the gospel writers devote entire chapters to sabbath controversies which Jesus had with the Jews. Notice in Mark 2:23-28 the reply of Jesus when the Pharisees accused his disciples of breaking man-made regulations for the sabbath. *Here was the perfect opportunity for Jesus to tell his disciples exactly what they should do about the sabbath*. What did He tell them?

"The sabbath was made *for man*, and not man for the sabbath."

Here Jesus rejected the legalistic restraints imposed by Judaism, but he upheld the original purpose of the sabbath—it was made to *serve man's welfare*.

By *what authority* could Jesus give this explanation? By the fact that He was "Lord also of the sabbath." He originally instituted the sabbath at creation (Gen. 2:2-3). Paul said God created

everything by *Jesus Christ* (Col. 1:16). *Because Jesus CREATED THE SABBATH, he taught the disciples, the future leaders in the church, exactly how he, as the Lord of the sabbath, intended that day to be used.*

Notice how different this is from most church teachings today.

Now let's turn to another account in the gospels. Luke 6:6-12 describes him explaining to the Pharisees that *it is lawful to do good on the sabbath*. Although continuously discrediting the traditions of the Pharisees, Jesus *never once* in all his ministry told the disciples that then or later the sabbath would become a day of secular work.

According to the *Encyclopaedia Biblica*, page 4173, "Jesus revered the sabbath . . ." This is the conclusion of the scholars and critics who have studied the life of Jesus.

Once the Jews accused Jesus of breaking the sabbath (John 9:16). This charge, of course, meant only that he was violating *their* human rules for that day. Jesus never once broke the Sabbath. He taught his disciples **HOW TO KEEP THE SABBATH**.

Jesus Observed Annual Festivals, Too!

We previously noted that before his ministry, Jesus kept the annual spring festivals which God had given to Israel. He continued this same practice according to the gospel record, for we often find Jesus coming especially to Jerusalem for the annual God-given festivals (John 2:13,23).

Now bear this in mind. Jesus *never* taught his disciples that his observance of the festivals should not be followed by the church. This silence of Jesus is vital because Jesus always spoke *openly* against *every* evil of Judaism. His practice among a people keeping these festivals can mean *nothing less than full approval of their observance*.

The apostle John devoted an entire chapter to the presence of Jesus at the feast of tabernacles in the last autumn of his ministry (John 7).

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ON THE CAMPUS

*F*OLLOWING are articles written by students on student activities to give you the story of our jam-packed lives on the campus. We hope you won't mind if we occasionally poke a little fun at ourselves—striving human beings are always funny—and no matter how serious minded, our frailties wink. *The Campus Editor*

Students Witness Pagan Temple Service

by *George Meeker, Jr.*

How strange it is to enter a place of worship—a heathen temple—to see hideous images of dragons and elephants and to watch people bow in prayer to idols of human beings whom they have deified!

This was the unusual experience that Herman Hoeh, Calvin Allen and I had while visiting a Buddhist Temple in the Japanese district of Los Angeles.

Before entering the oriental-looking temple, we had the feeling that we were being secretly watched; but this was soon changed because the Japanese worshippers were very courteous and cordial to us. One woman talked to us for some time explaining the birth and development of the Buddhist religion and the significance and purpose of the elaborate golden altar, which, we were told, was imported from Japan.

Buddhism, like Christianity, so-called, and other non-Christian religions, is broken up into many sects of different schools of thought; but Buddhists are more tolerant of one another's viewpoint than are most Protestants and Catholics.

We noticed that the Buddhists in this country have been exposed to western customs, and the American way of life has affected their temple services. The Buddhists do not have any special day for worship; however, they hold their religious services on Sunday because it is the most convenient day, being the workers' day off. Even in Japan Sunday has come to be the working man's day off. Their special holidays are the birthday of the Buddha, who founded Buddhism, the birthday of the founder of their particular school of philosophy and New Year's day. Christmas gifts are exchanged by them but only because Christmas Day falls so close to New Years.

The Buddhist service is similar to one in a Protestant church, consisting mainly of an ordinary sermon in Japanese or English and the singing of songs. But the altar of this particular temple is similar to those found in Catholic churches. It consists of three altars, two small ones dedicated to Buddhist philosophers, and a larger altar in the center

dedicated to Buddha, the founder of the religion. The smaller one which we saw on the right is dedicated to the founder of this particular school of thought and the one to the left is dedicated to the rejuvenator of Buddhism in Japan, where the headquarters for Buddhism found in the United States is located. The leader of this Japanese Buddhist sect or church is called the Lord Abbot. Further down in the ranks there are offices headed by Bishops and finally down to the lay priests who have the title of Reverend.

While talking to the priest we observed that he was wearing a stole around his neck and was holding a rosary in his hand. The priest told us the rosary, stole and incense burning have been carried down by tradition since centuries before the birth of Jesus. It is interesting here to compare pagan practices of worship with the Catholic Church procedure of today.

Five hundred years before Christ, Buddha, who lived in India, recognized the world was filled with ills, worrying and suffering. By human effort he resolved to find the cause of suffering and the way to escape it. His conclusions became the philosophy of Buddhism.

If it had been possible for man to find the answer to the cause of suffering and troubles then God would had no purpose in revealing to us His knowledge, His way of life and the means to overcome pit falls in this world.

Buddha, however, with his own human reasoning gave to the world a supposed way of escape from troubles. The answer was a state of nothingness, annihilation or a condition where matter and the senses ceases to exist.

Man can never reason above the mind in him and thus cannot reason out spiritual laws when he is only physical. We must confess that we need a revelation from God explaining how his laws operate to bring sorrow, unhappiness and illness on us when we break them and the blessings when we obey them.

Poise to Please

by *Jo Ann Felt*

Do you realize the importance of a good posture, poise, and a true smile on your lips *and in your eyes?* God does not intend His people to have their bodies humped over or stooped, the cor-

ners of their lips drawn tightly down, neither does He want His people to be loud, boisterous, or extremely forward.

Because members of the Ambassador College faculty realized the importance of having the poise of the heart show in the poise of the body, this year a new class was introduced for the women students—*Poise Class*. Mrs. Gene Michel, who was formerly Betty Bates and the first woman graduate of Ambassador, has had special training fitting her to be the teacher of this course.

The first few classes were devoted to the importance of correct posture, ease, grace, and poise in standing, sitting, walking. Several exercises were presented to help the women students improve or overcome any posture difficulties they might have.

You might ask, "What values are acquired through good posture?" Following are several: (1) It makes you appear capable and confident, (2) It helps you to inspire others, (3) It makes you stay younger, (4) It helps distribute your weight to make your body proportioned the way God intended. (5) It helps to build good health.

To be able to ascend and descend stairs gracefully without awkwardly bobbing up and down is truly a skillful art, but we find it easy the "Michel way." If it is done properly, it looks almost as though one were floating up or down the stairs—so smooth would the trip be! Almost anyone can learn the principle of the skill. Use the same muscles you use when you correctly place yourself in or raise yourself from a chair—the *leg muscles*, only. For best results keep the knees slightly bent, and with the *leg muscles* slowly take yourself to the next step.

We also learned care of the feet and hands. Your *feet* often determine how you *feel*. That is why adequate exercises should be taken and *correctly fitted* shoes should be bought. Your hands often show what kind of person you are—nervous, fidgety, ill at ease, careless or relaxed, poised, at ease and clean. It can effectively be said, "Watch your *step and your hands*."

The women were also given training in color harmony, materials, and choosing the proper clothes for each individual. Everyone needs to know something about the art of dressing. To put into practice what has been learned

about clothes, several of the students are making dresses, suits, or skirts.

For dry skin or wrinkles on the face, elbows, hands, or legs, we learned that one of the best preparations to help overcome dryness is the natural product of sheep, *lanolin*, which costs only a little over a dollar for a pound that will last for years. For those who have oily skin or externally caused blemishes another product, arrow root, was presented to the class.

Lanolin can also be successfully used on the hair but the best thing that you can give your hair is a great deal of the proper kind of *brushing*. It is desirable not to wash your hair too frequently. For the naturally dry, or oily scalp there are supplementary points that can improve and enhance the beauty of woman's hair—her crowning glory.

HOW Prevent Annihilation?

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is a WAY OF LIFE—the way CONTRARY to the SPIRITUAL LAWS OF GOD. In religious language, it's the way of SIN, because the Bible defines SIN as the TRANSGRESSION OF GOD'S LAW (1 John 3:4), and as a SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE, you'll read in Romans 7:14, that law is a SPIRITUAL LAW!

EVERY PHASE of our present civilization—our political organizations, our national governments, the economic systems, the social customs, —even religious organizations—is DIAMETRICALLY CONTRARY TO GOD'S LAWS! Yet today men organize STILL MORE to PREVENT war, with the VERY SYSTEM WHICH IS THE CAUSE OF WARS!

This system has grown constantly more and more complex, especially in these latter years of this modern MACHINE AGE of the western world. IN A WORD, the cause of WARS is HUMAN GOVERNMENT based on HUMAN NATURE, instead of the GOVERNMENT OF GOD, based on divine SPIRITUAL LAW!

Well, what, then, is the solution?

The great scientists tell us WORLD GOVERNMENT is the world's only hope. Yet we see that human men on earth are UTTERLY INCAPABLE of setting up a world government that will WORK and bring us peace!

If the whole world—its leaders and its whole people—would CRY OUT TO ALMIGHTY GOD to save us, and would YIELD to His rule, THAT would bring us peace; —BUT THAT MEN STILL REFUSE TO DO!

How, then, can peace come while man is UNABLE to bring about the ONE possible solution, and UNWILLING to cry out for the other? HOW WILL IT COME?

Now HOW WILL world peace actually

come—IN OUR TIME—during this very present generation? Yes, WORLD GOVERNMENT is the only solution—but not HUMAN government based on the vanity and greed and the shortcomings and evils of HUMAN NATURE.

There is NO MAN ON EARTH GOOD AND PERFECT ENOUGH TO BE WORLD RULER. There was such a man, but that was 1900 years ago! That man, Jesus Christ, admitted He was born to be a KING—a WORLD RULER—but, he said, HIS KINGDOM WAS NOT OF THIS WORLD. He taught His disciples about the KINGDOM OF GOD that is, the world-ruling GOVERNMENT of GOD! But then He permitted Himself to be crucified. He DIED, and was buried! He was resurrected after three days, —but He LEFT this earth and went far off to HEAVEN where He has been ever since.

But He has said, "If I go, I WILL COME AGAIN." And the Scriptures tell us the HEAVENS have received Him UNTIL —yes, only UNTIL the Times of RESTITUTION of all things—yes, UNTIL the restoring of PEACE on earth, and GOOD WILL among men!

What, now, of the PURPOSE being worked out here below? My friends, it is working EXACTLY ON SCHEDULE! God set apart a period of 6,000 years to allow a rebellious human family to WRITE THE LESSON in human poverty, hunger, anguish, heartache and suffering, that MAN'S WAYS BASED ON MAN'S REASONING CONTRARY TO GOD'S ESTABLISHED LAWS can only bring upon man the very WRETCHEDNESS and CHAOS that grips this unhappy world TONIGHT!

THAT TERRIBLE LESSON HAS BEEN WRITTEN IN HUMAN ANGUISH AND BLOOD! YES, WRITTEN—but NOT LEARNED! Left to ourselves we humans would go on and on, stubbornly rebelling against God's loving laws until in a few years we would ANNIHILATE HUMAN LIFE FROM OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

But, ALMIGHTY GOD WILL NOT PERMIT IT TO GO THAT FAR! He has set a TIME-LIMIT—6,000 years! That time is about UP. It ENDS during this latter half of the 20th Century, —in OUR time! Yes, we live in MOMENTOUS days!

God will SEND Jesus Christ—the very SAME Jesus Christ who taught the KINGDOM OF GOD more than 1900 years ago—this time in ALL THE POWER AND GLORY OF THE ALMIGHTY RULING GOD! He will come in SUPREME DIVINE AUTHORITY, as the KING of kings, and the LORD of lords, —RULER OVER ALL THE NATIONS OF THE EARTH!

NO one else *could* save this world, put an end to wars, and bring us WORLD PEACE! I want you to see the reason WHY! LISTEN! All these wars—all this world chaos—all this human suffering

and heart-ache and death—is merely the PENALTY we are paying for our own WRONG WAY OF LIFE—the penalty of SIN! And this awful mountain of human suffering can be removed from this world ONLY by the very ONE who is able to have PAID THE PENALTY WHICH THE WORLD IS NOW PAYING, in our stead! WAR is the PENALTY of this sin. War can be stopped ONLY by the One —the SUPREME ONE—who has Himself already PAID that penalty for the WHOLE WORLD—by His life made human and mortal for the PURPOSE of death—yes, by Him who was CREATOR of us all, and then changed into mortal HUMAN form became SAVIOUR of us all! ONLY Jesus Christ can forgive and take away SIN—and WAR IS THE PENALTY of sin. THAT'S why our politicians and statesmen DO NOT KNOW the cause of wars —NOR THE WAY TO END THEM! But thank GOD! —the ETERNAL CREATOR knows, and it is in HIS purpose soon now to DELIVER this world from wars and from ALL sin which brings about ALL human suffering, and usher in, at last, IN SPITE of rebellious man, WORLD PEACE! NOW you see why Jesus Christ is the PRINCE of Peace! WHAT GOOD NEWS! The KINGDOM OF GOD is very near to YOU, my friends!

What Did Jesus Teach?

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Almost entirely overlooked by writers, is the fact that Jesus never offered sacrifices on these days, *except the passover lamb*. This corresponds exactly with Jeremiah's statement, that when originally instituted, *no offerings* (except the passover) were placed upon them (Jer. 7:22). The sacrifices placed upon them *later* were given to the Levitical priesthood to offer.

Importance of Last Passover Supper

The passover is only one of the seven annual festivals which Jesus observed. It is a memorial ordained forever (Exodus 12:14). For that reason Jesus observed it and instructed his disciples on that last night how it should be continuously observed annually *after his death* by the New Testament church in remembrance of him. "This *do* in remembrance of me." That is a *command* for the church about one of God's annual festivals—the passover (Luke 22:19). Even the apostle Paul, who was converted much later, understood that Jesus set an example that night for Jewish and Gentile converts alike (1 Corinthians 11:20-34).

The sad service occurred after sunset. The eating of the passover lamb at supper having already ended, and the ordinance of foot washing having been instituted (John 13:14), Jesus sat down

and explained to the disciples that, hereafter, the commanded offering of a lamb *in anticipation* of the death of the Messiah would be *replaced* with new emblems because the lamb of God would have been slain for the world. Jesus used *unleavened bread* and *wine* as the new emblems.

God *never* permitted leavened bread to be used at the passover. Also the "fruit of the vine" could not have been unfermented grape juice. Grape juice could not at that time be preserved till spring. It either became wine, about forty days following the harvest, or else the grape juice was made into a heavy syrup. Any knowledge of the practices of the Jewish community in the days of Jesus will reveal that *fermented wine was used exclusively at the passover* (*Hasting's Dictionary*, article "Wine").

The strange doctrines that entered the church in later years and changed the passover into the mass, the eucharist, communion and "Lord's Supper" will be explained fully in coming articles. This perversion of Jesus' teaching is one of the most sordid episodes of church history.

Was the Sabbath Observed After Christ Died?

You have probably heard that even though Jesus DID NOT ONCE DURING HIS WHOLE LIFE preach against the days God instituted, that they were abolished by his death.

Now notice this. *After the handwriting of ordinances was abolished by Christ's death* (Col. 2:14), the Holy Spirit inspired the apostles to say that the day *after* the death of Jesus was a high day—the first annual sabbath in the festival of unleavened bread (John 19:31), and that the seventh day was *still* the sabbath according to the fourth commandment (Luke 23:56). The followers of Jesus rested on that sabbath!

The first Sunday after the resurrection, the women came to the tomb because it was a *work day*. Later that Sunday Jesus appeared to the eleven disciples as they were gathered . . . in honor of the resurrection? NO! But behind closed doors "FOR FEAR OF THE JEWS" as they were eating their evening meal. And Jesus rebuked them for their unbelief because they did not believe the accounts of the resurrection that the women gave (Mark 16:13-14 and John 20:19).

How different this is from the fables commonly taught!

IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF "THE GOOD NEWS" WILL APPEAR AN ARTICLE PROVING ABSOLUTELY FROM AUTHENTIC HISTORY, ASTRONOMY AND THE BIBLE THAT JESUS DID NOT DIE ON FRIDAY, THAT THE RESURRECTION WAS NOT ON

SUNDAY—THAT THE PASSOVER WAS ON WEDNESDAY IN THE VERY YEAR CHRIST DIED. You won't want to miss it!

The New Covenant

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off are made nigh by the blood of Christ" (Eph. 2:11-13).

So it is *through Jesus Christ* that Gentiles "are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints" (Eph. 2:19). Paul says in Galatians 3:29, "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed (no longer considered Gentiles) and heirs according to the promise."

So Gentiles have to *belong to Christ* in order to become part of the spiritual commonwealth of Israel—the church. Paul, in Romans 11:17-18, pictures the Gentiles as branches of wild olive trees who are grafted into the natural olive tree—Israel begotten of the Spirit. Gentiles can be partakers of the same Spirit of promise and of the blessings to Israel.

But carefully notice, the Gentiles by nature do *not* receive the promise. They must become transformed into the Spirit-begotten commonwealth of Israel before they can receive any of the blessings.

How could Christ make it possible for Gentiles to be heirs to the promises made to Israel?

Christ, the Heir of Abraham

The promise of eternal inheritance of the earth was unconditionally made to Abraham and his "seed" (Gen. 26:3). But Abraham died without inheriting the promises (Hebrews 11:13). It remained for Jesus Christ the *one* heir who was without sin—the promised "seed" through the lineage of Abraham—to inherit the promises (Gal. 3:16).

Jesus came in the flesh to confirm the promises made to the fathers (Rom. 15:8). He also was the minister of a new *testament* or *will* by which he would bequeath His entire inheritance to His heirs in case of death. Remember the new testament contained the promise of *eternal inheritance* (Hebrews 9:15).

Christ's *testament* or *will* did not have any force until his death. "For a testament is of force *after* men are dead" (Heb. 9:17). When Christ died, then His heirs have the right to the eternal inheritance made possible through the Holy Spirit which imparts eternal life.

But who are the heirs of Christ?

No one is Christ's *unless* one believes, repents, and is baptized (Acts 2:38; Gal. 3:27). So you can become an heir of Christ if you fulfill this condition and receive the Holy Spirit which puts—immerses—you into the church

whether you are Israelite or Gentile (I Cor. 12:13). We are Christ's because Christ *bought* us by giving His life in our stead to pay for our sins (I Cor. 6:20).

New Covenant Not Yet Completed

Christ is the Mediator of the new covenant (Heb. 8:6). According to the prophecy of Daniel 9:27, *Christ has not yet completed* His work of confirming the covenant. Therefore the new covenant must yet be completed *in the future*—"For this is the covenant that I *will* make with the house of Israel AFTER THOSE DAYS, saith the Lord; I *will* put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts" (Heb. 8:10; Jer. 31:31-34).

The new covenant will not be made with fleshly, carnal Israelites who can still sin—it will correct that fault. This time it will be made with Spirit-born Israelites who have been forgiven their sins and who have God's laws written in their minds and hearts so they can't sin and break the covenant. The apostle John reveals that it is only at the resurrection when we are *born again*—composed of spirit—that we won't be able to sin because we will have God's nature permanently implanted in us (I John 3:9). Jesus told Nicodemus also that we must be born again—of the Spirit—before we can inherit the kingdom and gain eternal life (John 3).

Bear in mind that the new *testament* or *will* of Jesus Christ has been in force since His death. But His testament or will has conditions which we must meet before we can inherit the promises. The Greek word for "testament" also means "covenant." Since the new *testament* involves our agreement to fulfill these conditions, it also becomes a *covenant*—and that new covenant will not be confirmed with us—we won't *inherit* the promises—*until* we are first made immortal and have God's nature so we can't sin (II Peter 1:4).

New Covenant a Marriage Agreement

All that the Scripture says concerning Israel and the promises under the new testament pertains to the *church*. It is the *church* that is Israel begotten and soon to be born of the Spirit (Acts 26:6,7). Under the old covenant Israel could have become a kingdom of priests (Ex. 19:6), under the new covenant the church will become a kingdom of priests governing the *physical nation* Israel (I Peter 2:9; Rev. 5:10; Acts 1:6).

As the church is Israel—Abraham's seed and heirs of the promise—then it is the church with whom the new covenant will finally be made. But we read in II Corinthians 11:2 and Ephesians 5:32 that Christ Jesus at His second

coming will marry the church which is now his espoused bride. Therefore the new covenant will be ANOTHER MARRIAGE AGREEMENT! Christ will be the husband, the church will become His wife.

Remember that the ETERNAL was the husband of ancient Israel. Under the old covenant Israel could never remarry her husband once the divorce was given and she was defiled by relationships with heathen gods. So the Lord—not the Father—but the Word who became Jesus was born into human flesh to die so that Israel would be free to remarry. That's why we read in Revelation 19:7, that before the coming marriage between Christ and the church takes place it will be said: "The marriage of the Lamb is come, and His WIFE (not bride) hath

made herself ready." This could not be said of the church unless it was Jesus and not the Father to whom Israel had once been married.

New Testament Has Promises and Curses

The new covenant has better promises—eternal promises—but there are also curses!

We know that during the time of the old covenant a violator of the law died without mercy under two or three witnesses. What about the person who spurns the terms of the new testament? "Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye," continues Paul in Hebrews 10:29, "shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the cove-

nant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing?"

Under the old, they perished at the hands of men. Under the new the wicked will perish at the hand of God in the lake of fire.

How important it is that we understand the truth about the new covenant! In *no* place does God say that He will take away His laws or give us *different* laws. The new covenant doesn't abolish the commandments, it established them in us according to the spirit and intent, not just in the letter. I hope you will not be found rebellious toward God because you haven't awakened to the fact that God wants to pardon you through the sacrifice of His Son and give you the Holy Spirit so you can live by His commands for your own good.

If You Yield to *Temptation*, have you sinned willfully?

by Wayne Cole

MANY of you have suffered need-
less worry because you were
taught that if you make a mis-
take or yield to a temptation you are
automatically lost and bound for ever-
lasting punishing and torture in hell-
fire. It is no wonder we poor mortal be-
ings sometimes believe these things
since there are so many false prophets
and teachers in the world today pro-
claiming just such doctrines.

What is willful sin? *Is it merely mak-
ing a mistake?* If we, human as we are,
do something which we see later was a
mistake and are sorry and repent of it,
have we sinned willfully and lost all
hope of salvation? What kind of a God
would we be serving? Is He so unmerciful
that knowing we are born with a
sinful nature, He expects us to live a life
free of any mistakes or sin? And if we
cannot we have lost all chance of eternal
life?

No, He is not that kind of a God.
God is long-suffering with us and is not
willing that anyone should perish but
that all should come to repentance (II
Peter 3:9).

Bible Explains Real Meaning

We read in Hebrews 10:26 if we sin
willfully after we understand the truth
we have no more sacrifice for sins. It
says "willfully"—sinning willingly after
deliberate premeditation, knowing bet-
ter but deciding in our own mind to do
that which is wrong.

We must be continually overcoming.
Even after we have come to truth, re-
pentent, become converted and have
God's Holy Spirit in us *we still have
human nature*, subject to the temptations
which surround us. Paul had these same
experiences happening to him (Romans
7:15-20). Verse 15—"For that which
I do I allow not: for what I would, that
do I not; but what I hate, that do I."

He is explaining that he does not al-
ways act exactly as he desires to act but
at times does those things which he
hates and knows are *wrong*. Was Paul
sinning *willfully*?

No, if he had been he would have
lost all chance for eternal life but we
know he has not. Paul explains in verse
17 that it is not *he* who does the *evil
deed* but it is the *sin* that dwelled in
him that tempts him and causes the
wrong to be committed. He says in the
few following verses that the *will* and
wish to do what is right is there but *not
the power or strength* with which to do
it.

"The spirit truly is ready but the flesh
is weak," said Jesus (Mark 14:38).

This experience which Paul is relating
applies to us today. We can be *convert-
ed*, living a good Christian life and still
do those things which are *wrong* and
we know are sinful. This does not
mean we have deliberately thought and
planned the execution of the wrong. We
are all born with a sinful nature abiding
in us, which causes us to do wrong and

after we are converted and *want to do
right* we don't always find sufficient
strength to resist.

What About Backsliders?

In Hebrews 6:4-6 we find it is im-
possible to renew to repentance those
who have been enlightened and given
the heavenly gift (the Holy Spirit) and
have fallen away. Therefore it is im-
possible for a *backslider*, a person who
has been filled with the Holy Spirit, to
gain another chance for salvation.

However, most people who are so-
called backsliders *are not really back-
sliders at all* because they did not under-
stand God's truth and were not filled
with his Spirit. They were perhaps in-
fluenced by so-called ministers who play
on the emotions of people trying to
persuade them to accept Jesus and be
saved. In this confused state many re-
sponded to their "worked up" emotions,
believing they were doing right. A few
weeks or months later they find them-
selves doing wrong and *think* they have
backslidden—lost their chance for sal-
vation. Actually they are deceived. They
can become as much an heir to the king-
dom of God as anyone when they *really
do repent* and are converted.

Since the Bible teaches that most peo-
ple have *not* sinned willfully or back-
slidden, this does not give us excuse to
neglect the very purpose of human ex-
istence—training of will, developing

the character of God and overcoming and mastering human nature.

But let's fear that we don't sin willfully and come under the indictment found in Hebrews 10:26.

Christians to Be Overcomers

As far as our making mistakes we know that God is always ready and willing to forgive. We will, as long as we are human, make mistakes—commit sins—and God knows that; however, we must be overcomers and continually grow in knowledge and truth. As long as we go to God in a repentant attitude and ask forgiveness for the mistakes we make, we will be forgiven.

Since scriptures reveals that we must be continually overcoming, we can't be perfect yet. Perfection is the GOAL. Yes, we can have Christ in us if we first have the right attitude and faith to rely on him.

If you have been worried, afraid that you have sinned willfully and consequently have lost all hope of salvation, you can very well cease worrying. This very concern over it is the surest evidence that you have not done so.

We found in Hebrews 6:4-6 that it is impossible to renew deliberate transgressors to repentance. They will not want to repent and turn again to the truth. If you want to repent of your sins you cannot be guilty of sinning willfully!

Should Child Participate?

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customs of the people are vain." Then he goes on to describe as "heathenism" many of the social and religious activi-

ties that the people of this world participate in today—such as Christmas and Easter celebrations. God *doesn't* want us, or our children, to participate in the *heathen* practices of this world's holidays!

In view of this divine command, we cannot let our children participate in the programs centering around this world's pagan religious holidays. We should request the teachers in a non-argumentative, *polite but firm* manner to excuse our children from participation in these programs.

Concerning programs occurring on the weekly or annual Sabbath, we must remember that God's sabbath is *holy time*—and not to be abused. However, if an unusual musical program of the *right kind* were scheduled on the eve of the Sabbath and your child belonged to the school musical organization producing it—it would be permissible for him to participate simply as an expression of the musical talent to glorify the God who gave it. But we should be *very careful* to pray over the circumstances, and never abuse this privilege, or allow it to take the place of a commanded Sabbath assembly.

This is the principle a parent and child should follow in all *worthwhile* school activities.

Participation in School Sports

As for participation in after-school sports, I can say from much experience that, although they may be enjoyable for a time, most school sports consume too much valuable time. The possibility of bodily injury, and the almost constant necessity of participation on the Sabbath, make it a *rare case* indeed that a real

Christian child could conscientiously participate in this world's athletic program between schools.

I love sports, and think every child should be taught to exercise and to enjoy the *right kind* of sports during recesses and in gymnasium classes. But this civilization's inter-school sports program is not set up to fit into a true Christian's life.

Should Children Join Clubs

In many schools there are numerous clubs—music, art, foreign language, agricultural, to name a few—that are often beneficial to the proper development of children. It is your duty as a parent to learn about these clubs to see if they are really what your child needs, or if they are a waste of valuable time.

Too many school clubs are purposeless and can lead young people to seek worldly fellowship and momentary pleasures which end in empty fruitless lives. Clubs often plan after-school activities which are designed to occupy the minds of young people who don't know what to do with their time because they haven't been trained by their parents to realize the tremendous importance of using their formative and impressionable years.

Remember that God *wants* us, and our children, to love others and to learn to understand and get along with our fellow men. Our children should *not* grow up to be narrow and bigoted. We should refuse what is wrong and also understand that even certain *right things* are sometimes put to a wrong use and at the wrong *time* by this world. These you must teach your children to avoid.

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