

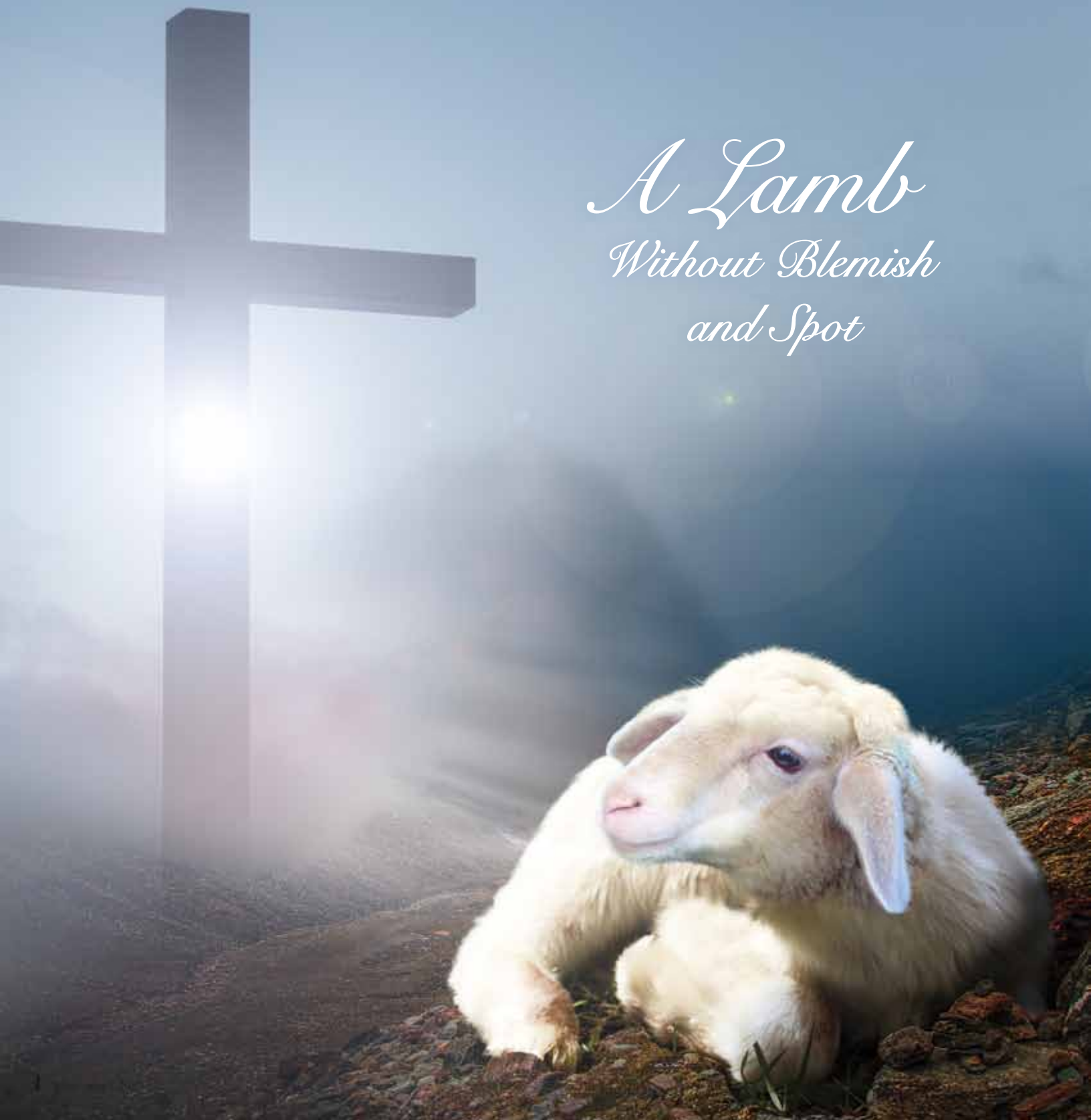
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*A Lamb
Without Blemish
and Spot*





David Wise

The Wrath of the Spotless Lamb

John the Baptist broke the silence of four hundred years by bursting onto the religious scene of his nation, preaching a strong message of repentance to the people of God. Multitudes came out into the wilderness to hear this strange prophet as he denounced sin and demanded a total reformation of character with the evidence of “good fruit.” All classes of people were touched by his prophetic ministry, and it certainly seemed as though he might be the long-awaited Savior of Israel. Yet in the midst of this revival movement, John humbly acknowledged that he was only a voice crying in the wilderness to prepare the people for the One who would be their Messiah. When John saw Jesus coming to him, he cried out, “Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” We certainly don’t know if the people who heard John understood the implications of his declaration. We don’t know if they thought of Abraham, Isaac, and the faith that declared, “God will provide Himself a lamb. . .” We don’t know if they thought of the blood over the doorposts in Egypt, the blood that saved the firstborn of Israel from the wrath that fell on the firstborn of the Egyptians. And we certainly don’t know if any among the multitudes had the slightest notion that the long-awaited Son of David would not mount a throne of power to lead them out of Roman bondage but would rather die a sacrificial death on a wooden cross to open the way for all broken-hearted sinners to be redeemed from the penalty and power of sin.

In the New Testament, the word lamb is used thirty-three times. Interestingly enough, twenty-seven of those times occur in the book of Revelation. The pictures given to us in Revelation are rather varied. We see a slain Lamb in Revelation 5. The wrath of the Lamb is on display in Revelation 6. A great multitude that no man can number, who came out of great tribulation, have had their robes made white in the blood of the Lamb in Revelation 7. On a similar note, the believers in Revelation 12 overcome Satan by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony. Later in chapter 17, the world’s evil powers make war

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The Perfect Lamb - What It Means to Us

By Dr. Brian Black

We are not redeemed with silver and gold but by “the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.” (1Pe 1:19) The Old Testament picture is the lamb at Passover. Just before the Exodus from Egypt, a perfect lamb was taken into the house for several days. It became part of the family, and the people learned to love the lamb. Then the command comes to slay the lamb, take its blood, and place it on the lintels and the door post of the house. Either the lamb was slain and the blood applied, or the eldest son died. There was no other option. You could not buy off the death angel. Money did not matter; position did not matter; family background did not count. The blood had to be applied, or the son died. Annually the Israelites then continued the celebration of the Passover. A perfect lamb had to be sacrificed upon the altar for sin every year at the time of Passover until Christ came.

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When Jesus died, He became the perfect Passover lamb. He died that we might live. In order for His death to be acceptable to God, Christ must be fully human as our kinsman redeemer; yet, He was also God. To truly be human, He came and lived among us. As a man, He would have faced the limitations of humanity, such as hunger, exhaustion, and human emotions. He would have made mistakes, been frustrated, and faced all the temptations of a normal, natural human being; but He never sinned. The Bible says He “was tempted in all points like as we are yet without sin.” (Heb 4:15) For this perfect lamb to purchase our redemption, He must have been morally without spot or blemish. Christ, as a human, can and did live without sinning, giving us the hope that through Him, we also can live victoriously. Christ gave us the example that we should follow in His steps who did no sin. (1Pe 2:21-22) Our hope for victory over sin comes through

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Jacob
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Martin
Luther
refused
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John
Knox
persisted



Epaphras
labored



Christ
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How Determined Are We?

By J. W. Adcock

Taken from "The Holy Spirit in Life and Labors"

In many things it is of little or no importance whether we are persistent. But when it comes to fulfilling God's will by receiving the blessings and victories He has made possible for us, no degree of determination is too great to exercise.

We may conclude that Jacob believed this when we read in Genesis 32:24-26, "And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him. And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me." And he was blessed -- greatly blessed -- blessed to the point of a changed nature that called for a new name to fit the new nature. Jacob -- "the heel grasper" -- didn't fit his new nature. Now he is Israel -- "wrestler with God" or "Prince of God."

Martin Luther realized something of the need of real earnestness -- real persistence in prayer until it used to be declared, "He will not be denied."

John Knox was persistent when in desperation he cried, "Give me Scotland or I die."

We read that Epaphras, "laboured fervently in prayer."

Christ was in great agony when we read, "And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground." Luke 22:44.

This writer is quick to acknowledge that he doesn't equal Jacob, Luther, Knox, or Epaphras and so much less Jesus in prayer. But I am grateful for special helps in prayer while pastoring some years ago. We had prayer meetings five mornings a week for weeks and weeks. Oh! how graciously and blessedly God did move in and through those prayer meetings. One particular morning I was in prayer at the church altar. The Holy Spirit aided me as I wrestled in prayer. I got right up to the breaking through point, and suddenly (so much as if one had cut a string that was holding a desired treasure) I was cut off. I started in praying again, and again I was cut off. Finally I left the altar and went into a room nearby, and as I wrestled further, I broke through to victory. Praise the Lord for His mercies! ▣

The Atonement

Taken from "The Atonement"

by Albert Barnes

Reconciliation is in fact produced between God and man by the Atonement. God becomes the friend of the pardoned sinner. He admits him to His favor and treats him as a friend. The sinner becomes the friend of God. He changes his view of His character; he submits to His arrangements; he no longer opposes His plans; he is pleased with His government and His laws. He loves Him as he loves no other Being. He lives to promote His glory. He loves what God approves, defends what He has stated to be true, advocates the plans which He has formed, vindicates the doctrines which He has revealed, trusts in trial to the promises which He has made, flies to Him in times of trouble and sorrow, leans upon His arm in death, finds in his mortal agony his highest consolation in belief that God is his friend, and expects to find felicity in the future world only in God. There is no friendship so strong, so sincere, so tender, so enduring, as that between God and the reconciled sinner; and no work ever undertaken is so complete as that by which the reconciliation of God and man has been sought. It survives all changes through which man passes here; it is confirmed in death, and it will exist forever. ▣

Soldier of the Cross by Larry Smith from “The Call”



“Am I a soldier of the cross/ A follower of the Lamb?” These words sung so often in the church of my childhood remain etched upon my heart, still probing my conscience, rousing my courage, and bracing my will. “Am I a soldier of the cross?” Sooner or later each of us must confront this question. It is probing, personal, and pointed, to be sure, though not more so than Jesus’ own imperative: “If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily, and follow me.”

To follow Jesus, then, is to center our lives in unconditional allegiance to Him and to His service. “No one putting his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God,” as He declared. If these words mean anything at all, they mean no fudging, no trifling, no selling out! For Jesus wasn’t interested just in making converts like those fickle recruits described by Tom Paine during our Revolution as “sunshine patriots” and “summer soldiers.” Granted, He sometimes takes us on when we are like that, but His relentless purpose is to fashion us into dedicated, devout, and determined disciples – yes, “soldiers of the cross.” “Sure, I must fight if I would reign/ Increase my courage, Lord!/ I’ll bear the toil, endure the pain / Supported by Thy word!”

But not only does Jesus call us to be His disciples, but He also calls us to fill the world with them. “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded; and lo, I am with you always even to the end of the age.” ■

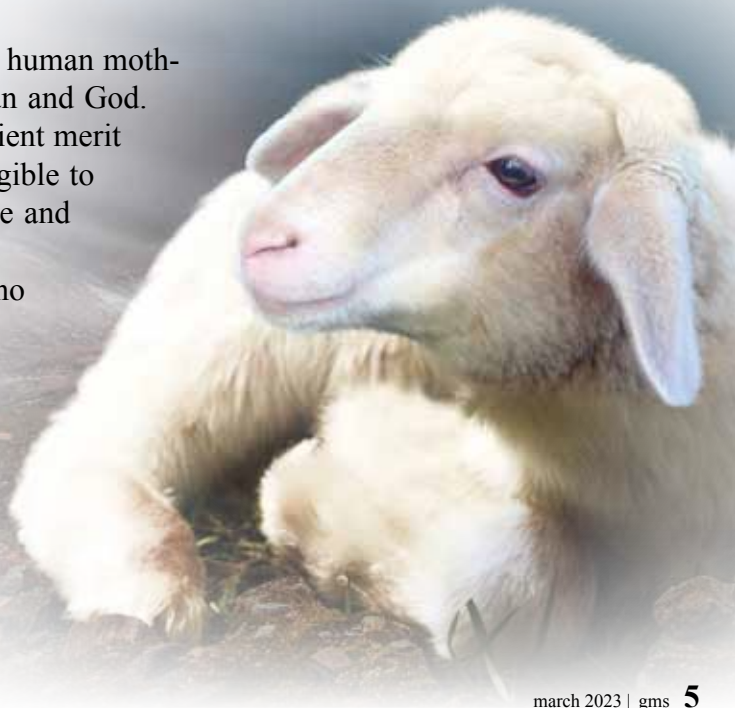
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Christ’s sacrifice. He came to take away our sins “and in him is no sin.” Because He is sinless, “whosoever abideth in him sinneth not.” (1Jo 3:5-6)

Not only was Christ fully human, He was also fully God. His human mother was Mary, but His Father was God; thus, He was both man and God. The death of a member of the Trinity alone would have sufficient merit to take the punishment of all mankind. As a man, He was eligible to die for our sins; as God, He was of sufficient value to forgive and cleanse us from our sins.

The final book of the Bible, Revelation, pictures the Lamb no longer as a helpless victim, but as our Redeemer and the King of kings and Lord of lords. (Re 17:14) The Lamb will be the one who makes war upon the Antichrist and evil kings of this world and will utterly defeat them. The last chapter of the Bible shows the Lamb sitting upon a throne along with God. Those who have applied the blood of the Lamb to their lives have been redeemed, and we will be in heaven with Him, where He will reign forever and ever. ■





Laboring in Rome

This year in Rome we celebrated our fifth year as a God's Missionary Church. Faithfully, God's unseen hand has blessed spiritually, numerically, and financially. We have had the privilege of co-laboring with Christ as He has "added to the Church daily" while raising up laborers from within and blessing us with protection in each of our ministries. The average attendance this year was 29, and our high was 112! Our people's giving reached an all-time high this year reflecting their growth in Christ and commitment to His Church.

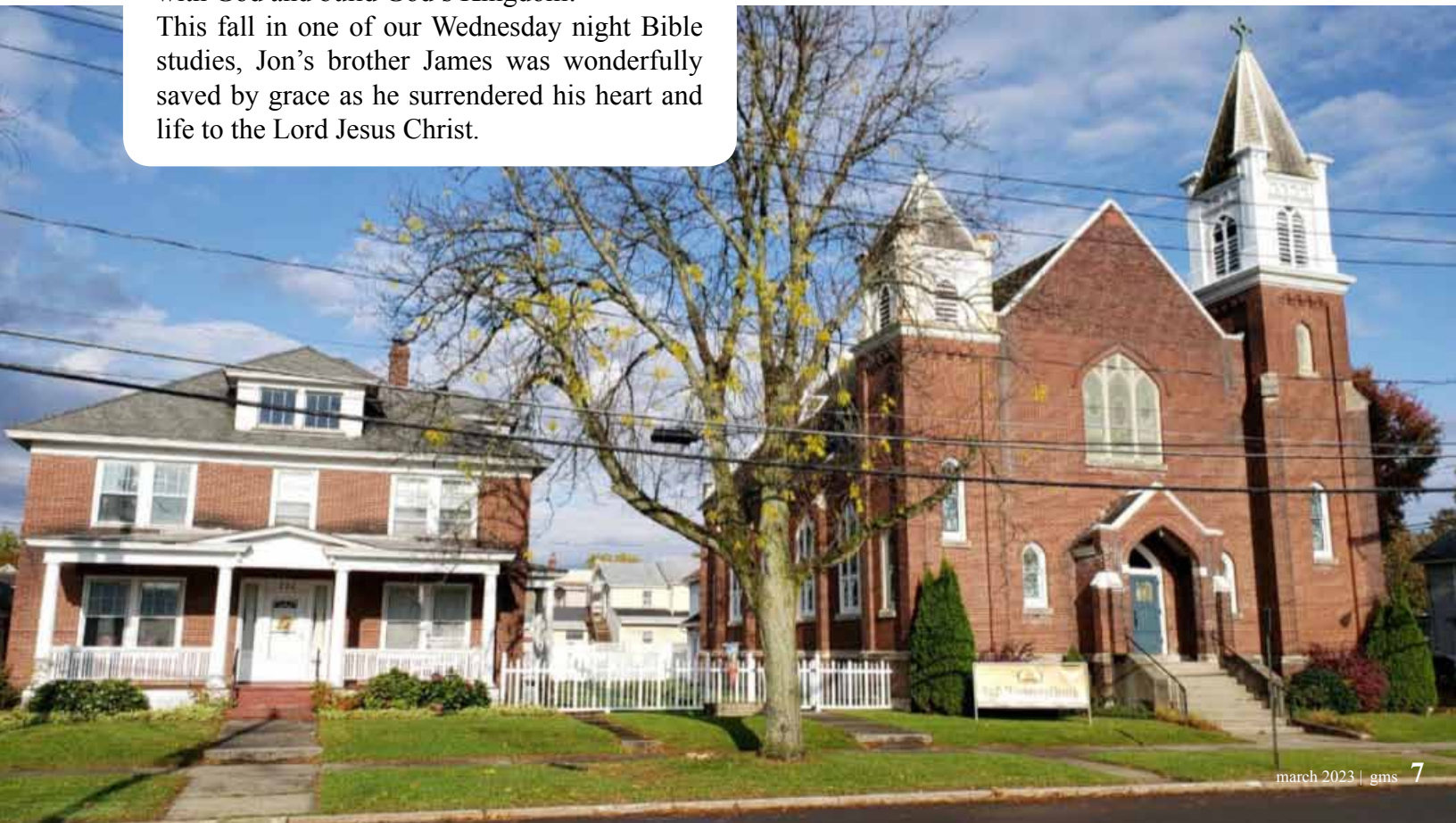
We praise God for each of the "new births" in Christ this year! Jonathan Onn was born in Boston, MA, and raised in Rochester, NY, by his Buddhist mother. Jon lived his first 33 years as an inner-city drug dealer while spending too many years in state prisons. God providentially crossed our paths approximately six months ago now. After faithful testimony, divine love, and the work of the Holy Spirit, Jonathan has surrendered his heart and life to God. It has been a privilege to disciple and mentor Bro. Jon. He has grown tremendously as he learns to walk with God and build God's Kingdom!

This fall in one of our Wednesday night Bible studies, Jon's brother James was wonderfully saved by grace as he surrendered his heart and life to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, last spring, God led us to Valerie, a drug dealer and avowed atheist for all of her adult life. After meeting her in a drug house, my wife and I began to pray that God would rescue her. After months of our praying and living Christ before her, Valerie started attending church (something she vowed she would never do). We watched God work miracles in her life as He drew her to Himself. Finally, the Sunday came when she stood in church, announcing she would like to come forward for prayer. Kneeling at the altar, she trusted Jesus Christ as her Savior!

Many more pages could be written about the tears and triumphs of this last year. We praise God for HIS faithfulness, and we also praise God for YOUR faithfulness to pray for and support your Church in Rome, NY. Please help us pray that God would call others to join us in winning souls here in Rome! Maybe God would call you? It is your prayers and giving that enable us to continue to be a lighthouse for truth and holiness in Rome, NY.

Yours for God and souls, Matt Kilgore





Refreshings

by A. C. Zepp

“Progress After Entire Sanctification”
adapted from Allegheny Publications

church to “strive together in prayers” for this end, surely all other Christians, however advanced in spirituality, need the same. Believers may be filled with the Spirit as a settled religious state or habit of the soul and yet need these gracious refreshings more or less frequently, and some more frequently than others. This is according to the analogy of nature and is as rational as it is Scriptural. Persons free from physical disease of every kind and filled with natural vigor nevertheless must frequently take physical nourishment. Two and three times every day healthy persons must supply the waste of their vital forces by food, or they become exhausted and unable for service. The soundness and health of a laborer are indicated by the readiness with which he receives regular meals. Should he be indifferent about them, and especially should he loathe them, he is unfit for work and needs medical attention. So believers may be spiritually healthy and filled with spiritual vigor and yet need these spiritual refreshings; and their religious soundness will be indicated by the keenness of their appetite for soul nourishment

“Now I beseech you brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me; that I may come unto you with joy by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed.” Paul. (Romans 15:29-32) Deeply experienced Christians all feel the need of these gracious visits and effusions of the Spirit to maintain satisfactory religious experiences and to preserve the maximum of usefulness in the church. In his advanced years, though he had been filled with the Spirit ever since Ananias had laid his hands upon him that he might receive his sight and be filled with the Spirit, Paul urged the churches to pray for him that he might be “refreshed” and receive such new manifestations of God as occasions might require. A striking and highly instructive instance of this occurs in his

letter to the Romans: “I am sure that, when I come to you, I shall come in the fullness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ ... and may with you be refreshed.” These words contain some great practical

truths which ought not to be carelessly passed over by any Christian and are so pertinent to the theme in hand that some of them will now be named.

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The most spiritually minded need refreshings. If Paul, at that period of his life in which he wrote the letter to the Romans, needed refreshings, and needed them so much as to justify him in urging a great

A sense of spiritual need is no evidence of spiritual poverty. Had Paul’s craving for refreshings been to him an evidence of leanness, he could not have said, “I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel.” This language is a declaration that he then had this blessing of fullness, and, what is very much more than a declaration of present possession, he declares that he was sure he would continue to have it in the future when he should visit Rome; yet with all that, he would then need a joint refreshing with his brethren of that church. In his entreaty to these brethren, the apostle assumes that they would need the same refreshing.

It should not be taken as an insult by the members of any church when the pastor invites them to some exercise for the purpose of stirring up their gifts and graces. Many look upon such invitations as expressions of

doubt in their piety and assumptions of lukewarmness, backslidings, and spiritual deadness. But such requests of the pastor rather assume the religious wholeness of the membership and their wish for quickening because of existing spiritual life and relishes. To kindly invite a neighbor to sit down at our table and take a meal with us is the very opposite of assuming that he is sick and has no relish for food; it is assuming that he is well and in good condition and may need the nourishment kindly offered. So to invite to an altar of prayer assumes nothing that should offend believers, but, on the contrary, assumes what ought to please and stimulate them to promptly accept the invitation.

Striving together in prayer is the condition of obtaining these refreshings. Apathetic and formal prayers will avail nothing. The apostle urges the brethren to “strive” in prayer; and not only so, but “strive together” in prayer, so that by their most earnest and unified intercessions they might reach the maximum of their power in prayer, and secure the needed effusions of the Spirit both upon him and them, “that I may with you be refreshed.” Paul’s private prayers prevailed with God, yet he would not risk his refreshings and other personal blessings to his own prayers, but frequently entreats the churches to “strive together with him in prayers to God for him.” It was not, therefore, merely ceremonial, or saying prayers, that he wanted, but real, heartfelt, earnest, fervent praying in the Holy Ghost that he sought.

The most advanced spiritual life may receive new revelations and new raptures. It is a great mistake to suppose that in advanced religious life there are no new and fresh experiences to be sought and enjoyed; yet thousands in middle life and in advanced years, both in the pulpit and in the pew, show an outer life fixed in religious habits, but the inner moral state cold and fossilized, without any freshness and heavenly sweetness. They seem to suppose that raptures and ecstasies belong to early Christian experience, and that none but new converts may expect such realizations, while they may expect nothing but a dead level experience, without any sudden uplifts or new raptures. Paul had many marked epochs in his religion after he received the fullness of the Holy Ghost, and that, too, while retaining that fullness. And whoever will make and preserve a Pauline consecration, and lead a Pauline life, will have these marked crises and uplifts through the entire probationary stay in the Church. Indeed, no one can retain the freshness and power of holiness without frequent Divine visitations, secured by fastings, wrestlings, and waitings under the light, and drawings of the Holy Spirit. Here is the secret of so much weakness and inefficiency among Christians, even among the entirely sanctified -- so few refreshings.” ■

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on the Lamb; He overcomes them, and so do His called, chosen, and faithful followers. Significantly in Revelation 21, as the New Jerusalem is seen coming down from heaven, the Apostle John says that there is no need for the sun or the moon because the Lamb Himself will be its light. While these are awesome pictures of our Lord Jesus, the words of Peter in his first epistle give us a glimpse of our Lord that ties all these things together. He is seen as “a lamb without blemish and spot” whose precious blood is the means of redeeming His people.

The character of our Lord Jesus was perfect and above reproach. He “did no sin nor was deceit found in His mouth.” He turned the other cheek to His enemies and went to the Cross without raising a fist or uttering an unkind word against those whose deeds were dark indeed. In that respect, His gentle character gave evidence that He truly was the Lamb foretold by Abraham and declared by John the Baptist. Yet the Scriptures also tell us that if we scorn the precious blood of that gentle Lamb, we will meet Him as a Judge who will defend His broken laws and vindicate justice by allowing His righteous wrath to fall on the guilty. The picture given in Revelation of the defeat of His unrighteous enemies is one of total conquest. There will be no doubt who has come out on top in that day. Every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. His blood was shed to provide atonement for our sins and transformation of our hearts so that we can live in Gospel victory and overcome this world. Now is the time to avail ourselves of that all-cleansing blood.

Dear reader, have you found that fountain, opened initially for “the inhabitants of Jerusalem” but now available to “whosoever will”? It is still well able to wash away sin and uncleanness. ■



Finney on the Atonement

Taken from the Oberlin Evangelist; July 1856

It is a matter of fact that the manifestation of God in Christ does break the heart of sinners. It has subdued many hearts and will subdue thousands more. If they believe it and hold it as a reality, must it not subdue their hearts to love and grief? Don't you think so? Certainly if you saw it as it is, and felt the force of it in your heart, you would sob out on your very seat, break down, and cry out – “Did Jesus love me so? And shall I love sin any more?” Ah, your heart would melt as thousands have been broken and melted in every age when they have seen the love of Jesus as revealed on the cross. That beautiful hymn puts the case truthfully--

“I saw One hanging on a tree,
In agony and blood;
Who fixed His languid eyes on me,
As near the cross I stood.”

But it was not the first look that fully broke his heart. It was only when,

“A second look He gave which said
‘I freely all forgive;
This blood is for thy ransom paid;
I died that thou mayest live.’”

Then his whole heart broke, tears fell like rain, and he withheld no part of his being in the full consecration of his soul to this Savior.

This is the genuine effect of the sinner's understanding the gospel and giving Jesus Christ credit for His loving-kindness in dying for the lost. Faith thus breaks the stony heart. If the demonstration of God's love in Christ does not break your heart, nothing else will. If the death and love of Christ do not constrain you, nothing else can.

But if you do not look at it, and will not set your mind upon it, it will only work your ruin. To know this gospel only enough to reject and disown it can serve no other purpose save to make your guilt the greater and your doom the more fearful.

Jesus was made a sin-offering for us. How beautifully this was illustrated under the Mosaic system! The victim was brought out to be slain; the blood was carried in and sprinkled on the mercy-seat. This mercy-seat was no other than the sacred cover or lid of the ark which contained the tables of the law and other sacred memorials of God's ancient mercies. There they were, in that deep recess – within which none might enter on pain of death, save the High Priest, and he only once a year, on the great day of atonement. On this eventful day, the sacred rites culminated to their highest solemnity. Two goats were brought forward, upon which the high priest laid his hands and confessed publicly his own sins and the sins of all the people. Then one was driven far away into the wilderness to signify how God removes our sins far as the east is from the west – the other was slain and its blood borne by the high priest into the most holy place and sprinkled there upon the mercy-seat beneath the cherubim. Meanwhile, the vast congregation stood without, confessing their sins and expecting remission only through the shedding of blood. It was as if the whole world had been standing around the base of Calvary, confessing their sins, while Jesus bore His cross to the summit to hang thereon and bleed and die for the sins of men. How fitting that, while Christ is dying, we should be confessing!

Some of you may think it a great thing to go on a foreign mission. But Jesus has led the way. He left Heaven on a foreign mission; He came down to this more-than-heathen world, and no one ever faced such self-denial. Yet He fearlessly marched up without the least hesitation to meet the consequences. Never did He shrink from disgrace, from humiliation, or from torture. And can you shrink from following the footsteps of such a leader? Is anything too much for you to suffer, while you follow in the lead of such a Captain of your salvation? ■

Travel notes with the president



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Oct. 03-08: Administrative work, Travel with President notes, and sermon preparation.

Oct. 09: Lebanon, Harvest Home. Preached twice. The church always does a great job honoring their pastoral team. Thanks to the Shueys for the wonderful lunch and friendship.

Oct. 11-14: Knightstown, IN, to visit some of our GMC ministers. Spent the night with Steve and Cindy Davis who have been great friends for many years. I visited his brother-in-law, Rev. John Gilley, whom God uses to be a blessing as online pastor of our Beavertown church. The next day I visited Rev. George Maloyed. God was using him to pray and be a witness to others at the nursing home. He always inspires me to let my light and life shine for Jesus. I also went up to Union Bible College for their World Changers event.

Oct. 15: Beavertown Church for the funeral of Sis. Jeannie Stanton who was the mother of Rev. Justin Stanton. His mother was a tremendous church secretary. Her faithfulness and fun will be missed by all.

Oct. 16: Sunbury. I preached both services of their Harvest Home. Rev. Keith Bunch was surprised when Pastor Ryan Martin took over part of the service. Pastor Ryan and others honored him for 15 years of ministry.

Oct. 17: Pension board meeting.

Oct. 18: Travel notes and making phone calls.

Oct. 19: PVBI board meeting. God is helping President Durkee and the school to make progress in areas of campus improvements.

Oct. 20: Ministerial director Rev. Keith Bunch invited me to speak to the PVBI ministerial students on the subject "The Pastor and His Role in Evangelism."

Oct. 21: Sermon preparation.

Oct. 22: I was able to fill a doe tag with an in-line muzzleloader.

Oct. 23: Blue Knob. I was privileged to preach and then enjoy an excellent meal with the Rev. Aaron McCarty family.

Oct. 24-29: Administrative work, which included talking to Rev. Sid Grant about our partnership in Lakeland, FL (Spanish church). New updates on the parsonage and a new pastor who is there to try to dig out the work. I also attended a Home Mission Board meeting. Souls are being saved and new people being reached with the gospel.

Oct. 30: Beavertown Church for their Harvest Home service. I preached on "Seek Him - Find Him." We thank God for those who responded and went to the altar.

Oct. 31: General Board Meeting, and then I went to visit Rev. Bill Herrick who has been in a lot of physical challenges. Please keep him in your prayers.

Nov. 01-05: Administrative work. I also spent a lot of time in preparing and praying for a meeting this week. A church is thinking about joining us. I also raked leaves at the headquarters building.

Nov. 06: Chambersburg, Hamilton Heights Church. It was exciting to preach to 61 in attendance. God is working in a special way right now. In the evening I went to Helfenstein to represent GMC to the Friendly Holiness Church.

Nov. 07-12: I shot a six-point buck, voted, and went to the PV Homecoming, where they honored Sis. Adams as PVBI Alumnus of the year. What a wonderful blessing she has been to God's Kingdom down through the years! It was also great to be at Penn View's Christmas Benefit Auction. Thanks Bro.



JACOB MARTIN

Leonard Raub for all your labors to make this happen each year. We also had a surprise 60th birthday party for Rhoda. Many friends and family showed up.

Nov. 13-19: Vacation week.

Nov. 20: Millmont. I preached to 80 people. This was a great number especially with some being away and others sick. New Columbia. God is helping in their new Sunday night outreach efforts. The bus is running, and kids are riding.

Nov. 21-26: Administrative work. All our family was over for Thanksgiving. I went hunting with our son, Chad, and he shot a nice doe on the opening day of gun season. I was involved in sermon preparation for the weekend.

Nov. 27: Lehighton, GMC. It was so exciting to have four new adults and one new teenager in the morning service. One new man met Pastor Todd Carter and I in the back of the church and started sharing with us his story with tears in his eyes. Alum Bank, God's Missionary Church. This church has been a tremendous blessing to our youth camp for many years. Thank you, Pastor Tim Ellis, for the opportunity to preach at the church.

Nov. 28- Dec. 03: Administrative work. Raked leaves at our headquarters building. I also went to the PV & New Columbia Christmas meals.

Dec. 04: Alexandria, GMC. I preached, and then Rhoda and I took a tour of the new all-purpose building. Wonderful job, Rev. Matt Peachey and people.

Dec. 05-10: Devotional for our H.M. pastors, a pheasant hunt with them, and an H.M. Christmas banquet. I also went to visit Rev. Mike Hoskins at the Greenville Hospital. We attended a funeral for a 17-year-old girl named Chrissy. We also attended the PV Businessmen's Banquet and the PV Christmas Program.

Dec. 11-25: Beavertown program and Sunbury's Christmas program to watch our grandchildren. I went to the funeral of Sis. Linda Au-rand and Bro. Joel Jackson who were both faithful to their God and their families. I also went to Delmar, Maryland, Christmas Eve and preached at the church on Christmas morning.

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