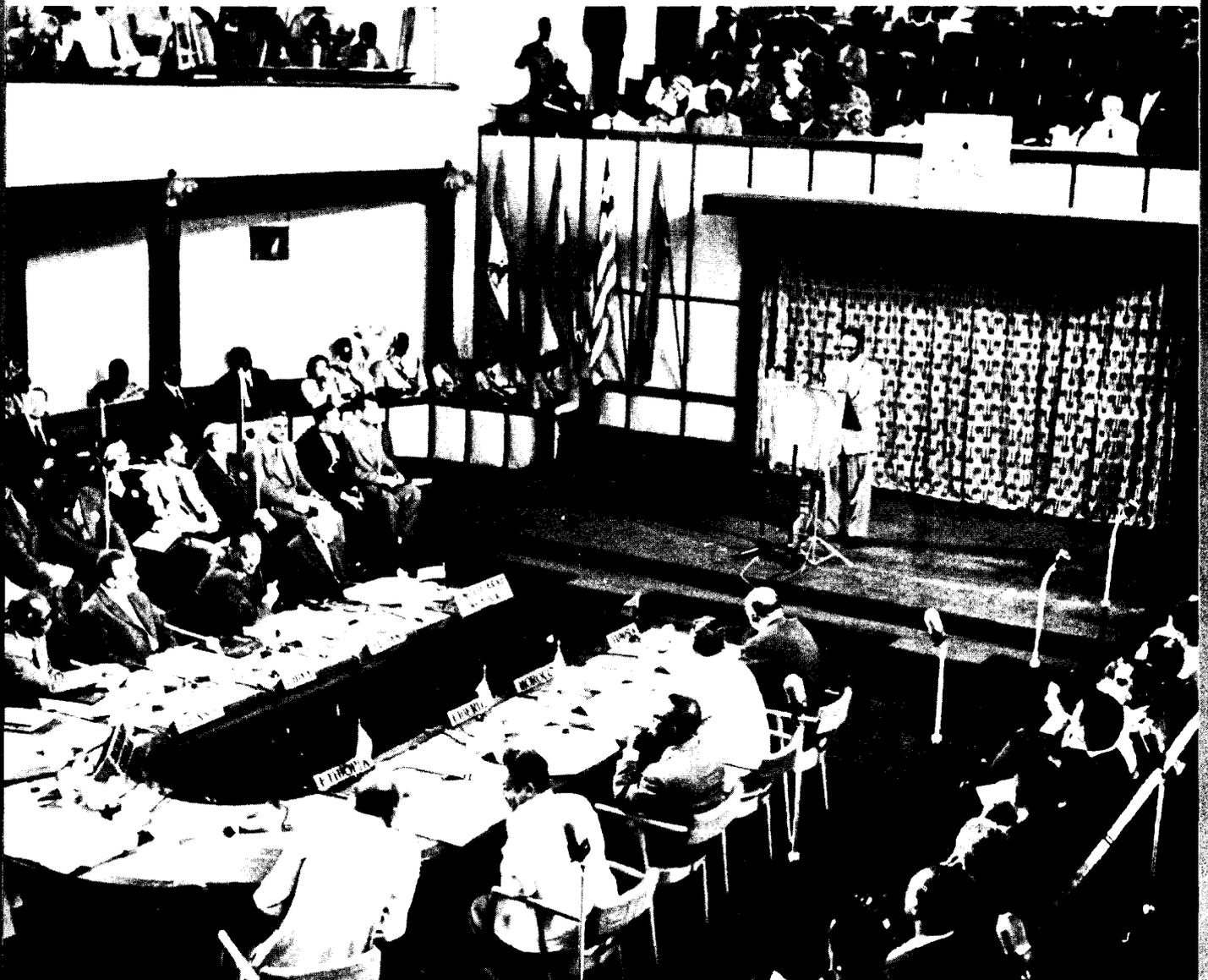


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Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, prime minister of Ghana, delivered inaugural address at the opening of conference of independent African nations in Accra, Ghana. Since that conference all Africa is in ferment. The Congo crisis continues.

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Heard Program Over XERF

"I heard your program for the first time over XERF tonight. We need more preachers like you. I enjoyed your message on "Faith" very much."

Lady, Carbondale, Illinois

"I wish to tell you of the wonderful inspiration I receive each time I have the pleasure to hear you over XERF. Never have I heard one speak so authoritatively and intelligently of religion—your practical examples on the average-man level give a lasting impression."

Man, Las Cruces, New Mexico

Editor's Comment: These two fine letters were in response to our newest station. It has nation-wide coverage. We have received letters from states as far away as Washington, California, Michigan, North Dakota, Tennessee, Georgia.

If previous radio reception is poor in your area, check the radio log for time and frequency of the new station. You, too, may be able to hear this super-power station in your own home.

How to Have a Quiet House

"I read your article 'How to Have Obedient Children,' and by putting in force your theory of discipline, I have had the quietest house since my five children were born. In fact, the older ones—5½, 6½ and 7½ years old—have shown great enthusiasm in adopting the 'New Rules' and are trying to follow them."

Woman from Buena Park, Calif.

Editor's Comment: If you do not know God's way of training children be sure to write for this enlightening article today!

Order and Peace out of Chaos

"I am beginning to find a joy in keeping God's laws and a love for them I never knew before. God has even brought order and peace out of chaos and almost total destruction of my life and marriage. My husband and I are still walking different paths, but the friction is going out of our home as I learn to submit to him and learn to take my proper place and carry out my responsibilities and let him carry his. If women only knew what a relief it is not to carry the men's duties, I'm sure most of them would be willing to give the pants back to the men they took them from. I felt like the world had been taken off my shoulders when I learned that lesson."

Woman from Brighton, Missouri

Future Looks Black

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"Right now I find myself in a very bad position. My husband has no job. We have no money for rent. The future looks black. But my husband who is not a Christian can't understand my quietness. No nagging. No tantrums, about no food, or money. I have in me a peaceful heart. I know now that God truly gives us a new heart. I know that I belong to the living God, and it just keeps me singing."

Woman from Miami, Florida

Thirty Minutes Turn Into Hours

"I have just gotten the third lesson in your Bible Correspondence Course and I am learning a lot. Your thirty minutes turn into three or four hours before I realize the time has been spent. I don't want to put it up in order to do my work."

Woman from Crower, Oklahoma

Sick of Carnal Nature

"I still need to finish this course. I just love to know what there is to know concerning God's truth—even all of it which has been revealed to mankind. I'm sick and tired of my carnal nature and of life as I have known it. I want God's Holy Spirit to dwell within me, so that I can qualify to become a member of His Church, and so that I can experience life as God meant it to be. So I beg of you to continue sending me these lessons to the end."

Editor's Comment: Here is a person who has come to REAL REPENTANCE.

Disagrees About World Condition

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I have listened to several of your talks on the radio while driving in the evenings, and felt that I should comment on your talks so that you may know how you are being received by an element of the public. No reply is necessary. You are undoubtedly an intelligent speaker but I wonder about your reasoning about world affairs. . . . The condition that exists in other countries may be very bad, but are they really all that bad Mr. Armstrong? The American public is very well informed about world conditions. . . ."

Editor's Comment: Most of the world is unconcerned about the true condition of things. Anyone who wants to can stick his head in the sand or put on rose colored glasses but facts are facts! We report world affairs as they are and as world leaders *know* them to exist. On the broadcast and in The PLAIN TRUTH comments regarding current news events are based on actual news reports gathered by our own United Press International Release wire service and by our own world-wide news gathering department. Any reader or

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How Would Jesus Vote for PRESIDENT?

This may be the most fateful presidential election in American History. Christ's Message was concerned with the government of nations. Christians are those who follow Christ. Here's what He would do.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

THE PRESIDENTIAL campaign is on full blast. The issue of survival of the nation will fall squarely on the shoulders of the next president.

World war now threatens to explode over Africa. Frightful atomic war. War that means annihilation of civilization. America this minute is in grave danger. The issue is a matter of government!

Christ Was Interested in GOVERNMENT

Few realize it, because they do not hear it today, but the GOSPEL OF CHRIST—the Gospel Jesus brought from God and preached—was a message about *government!*

Yes, Jesus was interested in government. His Message was about a government to RULE THE WORLD, and bring us WORLD PEACE!

In such a momentous presidential year, what would Jesus Christ do about this election if He were here as a native-born American?

Would He vote for Kennedy? Would He use His great influence to keep the Republicans at the helm in this world-crisis?

Many of you undoubtedly have read the famous book, "In His Steps," by Dr. Charles M. Sheldon. It has been one of the all-time best-sellers. It is the story of an entire congregation which set out to do, in all circumstances daily, just as Jesus would do—to "follow His steps," as we are admonished by Peter. My only criticism of the book is that its characters, like most people who think they follow Jesus, acted as they *supposed* Jesus would act instead of studying the Bible to find out how He did act.

The Apostle Paul said: "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but *Christ liveth in me*" (Gal. 2:20). He admonished, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ

Jesus" (Phil. 2:5). *A person is not really a Christian unless he follows Christ—acts as Christ would act—unless Christ is living His life in him.*

What would Jesus do in this crucial election?

To understand what Jesus would do we must take a quick flash-back of the governments of this world from its foundation until now. This is necessary for a true perspective. We are prone to view politics, government, and world events from the standpoint of this present world.

How It All Started

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth (Gen. 1:1). In rulership over this earth God sent an archangel who sealed up the sum-total of perfection, wisdom, and beauty. His throne was in Eden. He was ruler over a peaceful world populated by beings superior to humans—spirit beings called angels (Ezek. 28:12-15).

But as this brilliant shining "Star of the Dawn"—Lucifer—contemplated his glory, pride lifted him up, ambition seized him, and suddenly he became dissatisfied with a rulership limited to one single planet. He became jealous of God, set his heart to rival the Eternal Creator Himself, and left this planet in a war of conquest, in which a third of his angels followed him, attempting to conquer and rule the universe (Isa. 14:12-15; Rev. 12:4).

But he was cast back down to earth in defeat, disqualified even as earth ruler, *tho not to be dethroned until a successor is both qualified and inaugurated in office.*

Just as the sins of the antediluvian world brought physical destruction to the earth by a flood; just as the fornication of Sodom and Gomorrah brought physical destruction and chaos to those

cities by fire; just as the sins of the present evil world have doomed it to physical destruction once again by fire, so the sins of the angels caused the face of the earth to suffer great violence, and it *became* chaotic, in confusion, waste and empty (Gen. 1:2).

First Chance at World Rule

Then in six days God Almighty brought order out of chaos, created the present vegetable and animal life, and created upon earth a new race, the race of human mortals. Adam was given rule over the lower species—animals. Lucifer, an archangel, had been given rule over angels. But, while man was made a little lower in status than angels, he was made in the image of God with possibilities, thru conversion, of being born of God, and *changed* into immortal spirit beings, higher in order than angels.

In the Garden of Eden was the tree of Life—symbolic of the Holy Spirit of God Himself, by which Adam could have been raised to this higher immortal and divine level.

First, Adam was given opportunity to qualify as WORLD RULER. He could have become successor to the former Lucifer, now re-named Satan (meaning Adversary, Rival, Aggressor). Adam was put to the test to determine whether he would obey God and prove able to RULE with God's Laws.

In the fateful test with Satan, Adam disobeyed God, accepted the rule of Satan over him—yielded to human pride, lust and greed. Thus he placed himself and his children under the rule of Satan. He failed to overthrow Satan. He failed to prove he could obey God and carry out GOD'S government over those God should have placed under him.

Had Adam obeyed God and proved able to defeat Satan in this test, he could have partaken of the "Tree of LIFE"—

he would have been begotten of GOD, later BORN of God, *changed* from mortal human to immortal and divine God, of the very family—the KINGDOM—of GOD! All earth's mortals, as his children, would have been under his rule. He would have become world ruler forever!

But Adam placed himself and his children UNDER THE RULE OF SATAN.

Adam was driven from the Garden of Eden lest he take of the tree of life, and gain immortality (Gen. 3:22). Thus he never received immortality, which is the *gift* of God by and thru His Holy Spirit.

Satan thus retained his rulership, thru invisible sway of influence, temptation, and deception, over the world.

How Our Present System Started

Just how Satan manipulated human mortals in the ways of government on earth during the first 1600 or 1700 years, there is no historic record. We know merely that with very few exceptions humans under Satan's invisible sway followed the course of human passions, the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and God destroyed all but eight souls by the Flood.

Noah and his descendents should have learned their lesson, but they didn't. Satan found in one of the great-grandsons of Noah, Nimrod, the grandson of Ham, a very able and powerful man who could be "used" politically. Thru Satan's influence, instilling great ambition thru greed and pride, this Nimrod organized the people into a system of human government, by which man ruled over man contrary to the principles established by God. Such government never could be good or bring blessings to humanity, but the Eternal purposed to permit man to learn that lesson by hard experience. We are learning it still, and haven't learned it yet.

Now notice how the present world's society became organized.

Nimrod organized the present world's first government—the city of BABYLON. Later he organized Nineveh and other cities. He instituted the system of regimentation, whereby one or a few at the top, by directing their efforts, profit from the sweat and labor of others.

Thus the BABYLONISH system of government was started. Soon there were many cities, each ruled by a king. Then

an ambitious king, swayed by Satan's philosophy, seeking more worlds to conquer, organized a portion of his manpower into a fighting force and by aggression ruled over adjoining cities. Thus nations were born, and then Empires.

This BABYLONISH principle of government, intertwined with economic manipulation, has ruled the world ever since. It has ruled under various *forms*—whether called oligarchy, monarchy, dictatorship, autocracy, democracy, communism or nazism—but it's the same old BABYLONISH PRINCIPLE under slightly different modes of administration.

And this is the origin of what we call CIVILIZATION. Its forms of administration have undergone change in the constant struggle and turmoil—in the rise and fall of empires, of cultures, of rival modes of political, economic, religious, or social administration. But its basic *principle* has remained the same—the *principle of competition and strife, based upon greed and vanity.*

Regardless of the form in which it appears here or there, it is a system based upon exploitation of the people, aggression, regimentation, delusion and deception. And the entire system is founded on the idea of huddling people together in crowded *cities.*

Since it is the system of strife and competition, each of the four phases of this civilization—political, economic, religious, and social—has striven constantly to dominate and rule. In ancient Rome the politicians ruled over the Church, Business, and Society. Then after 554 A.D., the Church ruled over the State, Business, and Society. In America, where we are supposed to rule ourselves, it has been a constant struggle for dominance between Big Business and the politicians. In Russia today a small group of godless atheistic Marxists have set up a political Dictatorship manipulated by stirring up class hatreds, inducing the laboring class to feel down-trodden enough to put in the saddle this Dictatorship pretending to rule for the benefit of this one class.

But regardless of the particular form of administration, this CIVILIZATION which holds the entire world in its organized grip today is the same old

BABYLONISH SYSTEM started at the original BABYLON by Nimrod!

"Babylon" means CONFUSION. Competition and strife have produced confusion in the world. And *God is not the author of confusion* (I Cor. 14:33).

Should Christians Strive to Make This a BETTER WORLD?

Now we come to the reason for needing a true perspective.

Most churchmen today, viewing everything from the perspective of THIS WORLD TODAY, blindly assume this is God's world. They see certain forces of evil in it, and these they feel they must oppose. They see the Christian duty to be that of working to make this a better world.

That concept is a wrong viewpoint altogether.

This is *not* a world of God's making. *This is SATAN'S world!* Satan is the invisible god of this world. He is the author of its organization, its basic philosophies, its systems of government, business, society—*yes, AND RELIGIONS!*

This thing we boast of as CIVILIZATION is, in actual fact, Satan's handiwork, not God's! Strange as it may seem, that is true!

All nations—not just the heathen powers, but all nations, *including ours,* are DECEIVED, swayed, led, by Satan (Rev. 12:9; 18:3; 20:2-3). The Bible speaks of this world as "this present EVIL WORLD" (Gal. 1:4).

Did Jesus Come to Make This a BETTER WORLD?

Into such a world, in His own due time, God sent forth His own Son, born of the human virgin Mary.

WHY did Jesus come? To get into politics, to strive against the forces of evil in this world, to make this a better world?

WHAT was His Message? Certainly NOT a Gospel merely about Himself—a Gospel of merely accepting Him, and then, as part of this world, helping to make it better!

When Jesus reached the approximate age of thirty He was baptized, and anointed with the Holy Spirit as the Christ. But before He preached a word—before He could even enter upon His ministry, He, like the first Adam, had

to meet Satan in the greatest contest in all eternity!

It was a contest for the rulership of all the earth. Jesus Christ met and conquered Satan by the Word of God. Satan, like his ministers today, quoted Scripture, but he twisted and perverted its meaning. Christ quoted Scripture, accepted it to mean what it says, overcame Satan by *obeying* it! Jesus withstood Satan's temptations, rejected his deceptions, refused to obey him, conquered him by *obeying* GOD! Then He *commanded* Satan, "Get thee hence!"—and the devil obeyed and slunk away!

Then and there Jesus Christ *qualified* to succeed Satan as RULER OVER ALL THE EARTH! But the time had not yet come for Him to be inaugurated in office. First, He had to return to the throne of God and receive God's official authorization.

God had allotted ONE MILLENNIAL WEEK—that is, a period of seven thousand-year "days"—for the accomplishment of His divine PURPOSE in humanity on this earth. That divine Purpose is the creation of righteous spiritual Sons of God. God allotted the first *six* of these thousand-year periods for Satan's labor of deceiving the human race—six thousand years in which mankind is permitted, if he chooses, to suffer from the "labor" of sin. When the first Adam failed to depose Satan, God extended the duration of Satan's dominion over the earth for six thousand years. This was necessary for the accomplishment of God's great Purpose.

Then, as "in six days God made the heaven and the earth, and the seventh day He rested and was refreshed," even so in the seventh millennium humanity is to "rest" from sin, those converted are to enter into God's spiritual rest;—and in this coming millennium Satan shall not do *any work*—that is, his work of deceiving the world!

Then Jesus will return to earth, this time in all His power and Glory as KING of kings, and LORD of lords.

But, in God's great Plan, He has purposed that Christ shall rule by and thru many saints then made immortal. They shall form the world-ruling kingdom—the KINGDOM OF GOD—which Kingdom shall rule over all the mortal nations on earth. Time had to be

allowed for their conversion.

Jesus Preached GOVERNMENT

So, after meeting and conquering Satan, Jesus devoted three and a half years to teaching His Gospel to His Disciples.

His Gospel—the only true Gospel of Jesus Christ—is not what most people think today. Few have heard it, today!

It was, and is, a Gospel of GOOD GOVERNMENT! The word "gospel" means "GOOD NEWS." And what Jesus preached—the Message He brought to mankind from God—was the GOOD NEWS of the coming GOVERNMENT OF GOD—the coming world-ruling government *which shall overthrow, blast out of existence, and rule in place of every present government on earth!*

Yes, Jesus Christ said to Pilate that He was born to be a King! He, Himself, is coming again as WORLD KING!

And His Gospel was merely, as one might say, His *political platform* for His Kingdom. He revealed the way to enter it as one of its immortal citizens—the way of salvation. He revealed its laws.

What Jesus taught was that this present world, with its governments, its religions, its economics, its society, is *an evil world*—it is Satan's world—it is a world *in competition against*, and AT WAR AGAINST, HIS COMING KINGDOM—THE WORLD TOMORROW!

No, *Jesus did not enter into THIS WORLD's politics!* He called His Disciples *out* of this present evil world—out of all its customs and philosophies and ways—to a life of SEPARATION from the world.

Jesus said to His disciples, "Follow Me!" And one cannot follow Him and also follow this present world! He did not mean for Christians to go out of the world, physically. He knew they must live in it, but He taught that they should not be *of* it. In his final prayer for His disciples, Jesus said to His Father, "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not *of* the world, even as I am not of the world" (John 17:15-16).

To His called ministers Jesus commanded: "Go ye *into*"—(not away from)—"all the world, and *preach the Gospel.*" He did not say go into the

world and become part of it, striving to make it a better world. He said go into it and "preach the Gospel." And His Gospel is the Good News of a *different* world altogether—of a coming world to be ruled over entirely not by these present various world governments then reformed, but by HIS KINGDOM which shall blast forever out of existence every government that operates today!

"AMBASSADORS for Christ"

Thus Jesus' disciples live *in* this present evil world as though they were foreigners, here merely as the guests of the nation where they reside, as AMBASSADORS for Christ and His coming Kingdom, here as representatives of HIS coming Kingdom, *not* of any of this world's governments.

As the Word of God reveals in II Cor. 5:17-20, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; . . . Now then we are *ambassadors for Christ.*"

The United States sends an ambassador to the Kremlin. He resides for the time in Moscow, Russia. The Christian in the United States is in the same relative position as the American ambassador in Russia. He is not a Communist. He does not regard the Soviet as his government, and he knows well it is a government mortally opposed to his government. He does not serve the Soviet government, nor enter into its politics, nor devote his time in Moscow to trying to eradicate the evils he sees in their system, or to making their state a better state, or to entering into their politics, or voting, or entering their army or fighting for their cause.

Yet, he subjects himself to all their rules and regulations that in any way concern him or his life while there. If they drive automobiles on the left side of the street, he conforms to their regulations. He does not oppose them, he is SUBJECT to them while there, endeavoring to cause them to like him so as to better represent the interests of *his* government, the United States.

Jesus taught His disciples to render unto Caesar the things that *are* Caesar's. Specifically he was referring to payment of taxes. If the government levies taxes, pay them. The Bible teaching for the Christian is to be SUBJECT to the powers

that be in this world, but, on the other hand, Christians shall *obey God* rather than man.

The true Christian will so conduct himself as to be highly regarded by the powers of government where he lives. He will be regarded by them as a good citizen. He will appreciate the privileges, advantages, and opportunities extended. He will regard himself as the *paying guest* of the country where he resides, and he will act with due courtesy, submission to its rules and regulations insofar as they do not conflict with the commands of God, and submission to their *penalty* where they do.

But the true Christian is one who *follows Christ*, and Christ did not vote! Jesus did not try to reform Caesar. He did not try to make this a better world. Rather, He preached the doctrine of a radically different world to come—and He called His followers out of all participation in this present evil world, and to allegiance to HIS KINGDOM which is to come.

Citizenship in Heaven

But *His World* is the *World Tomorrow!* His Kingdom, He told Pilate, is *not of this world*—that is, of this AGE, this present time. This is Satan's world and Christ did not come to reform Satan, or improve Satan's handiwork, but to save His followers *from* Satan and his system.

Since God's Kingdom is not literally set up as yet, the true Christian's citizenship, in his heart, is now reserved in heaven (I Peter 1:4, Eph. 2:19).

Christians are called to be separate from the world (II Cor. 6:17), and all its affiliations, whether social, political, economic or religious. They are not to live by the philosophies, customs and ways of this world, but by EVERY WORD OF GOD (Luke 4:4). Jesus taught us *not* to live by traditions of the present society and civilization, but by God's laws (Mark 7:7-9), and He taught here that those who disobey this teaching WORSHIP HIM IN VAIN. Yes, thousands call themselves Christians, think they are converted, believe in Christ, worship Him, but *worship Him in vain*, following the course of this world and its customs and ways, instead of the commandments of God! (Mark 7:7-9.)

Jesus said for the Christian to seek *first* the KINGDOM OF GOD (Mat. 6:33), and He also said we cannot give allegiance to and serve *two* kingdoms (verse 24).

How and When Christians Are to Help Run Government

In the prophecy of Daniel 7, and especially in verses 17-18, and 21-22, and 27, we find revealed how and when Christians are to take part in the running of the government.

In this prophecy Daniel is shown the empires of this world from his day until the Kingdom of God. First was the Chaldean Empire, to be followed by the Persian, the Grecian, the Roman. There is now to be one more resurrection of the Roman Empire—a United States of Europe now forming.

But finally, at Christ's *second* coming, "the saints of the Most High shall take the Kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever."

These present governments are to run their course "UNTIL the . . . *time came* that the saints possessed the kingdom." That time has not yet come. Until then Christians are to obey God and be subject to the powers that be.

When Jesus comes again, it is proclaimed: "The kingdoms of this world *are become* the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and HE shall reign forever and ever" (Rev. 11:15). Then it is, as Jesus has said, "He that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, *to him will I give power over the nations:* and he shall rule them" (Rev. 2:26-27). The smashing of the present governments of the world is pictured in Daniel 2:34-35, 44.

Then Satan shall be shorn of power to rule the world (Rev. 20:1-4). His qualified successor, Christ, shall then be inaugurated in office. *Then* begins the Sabbath Millennium of Christ's reign—when He shall set His hand again to *save* Israel and the world.

WHY the World's Greatest Church "Is Fallen"

In the prophecy of Revelation 17 is pictured the greatest church in this world—a *professing* Christian church, ruling over many nations, but she is called in Bible language "the great

whore"—a most ugly name!

But you will notice, verse 5, she is shown to be a MOTHER church. She has many daughters, who, even tho they have come out of her in "protest" naming themselves from the word "protest," nevertheless are labeled by God's prophecy as "harlots."

And what caused the fall from grace of these great, popular churches—who have DECEIVED ALL OCCIDENTAL NATIONS? (Verse 2 and 18:3). What *was* her fornication?

Notice it—verse 2: "With whom *the kings of the earth* have committed fornication." The "Beast" on which she sits represents the GOVERNMENTS OF THIS WORLD.

The true CHURCH is the affianced Bride of CHRIST. She is to be married to Christ in a Spiritual Marriage AT HIS SECOND COMING! (Rev. 19:7.) Then the true "CHURCH of God" will become the "KINGDOM of God," to rule the earth. But Jesus said, "My Kingdom is *not of this world.*" He taught His disciples to keep themselves unspotted from the world—to separate from it.

But this great counterfeit Church, instead of becoming "engaged" to the true Christ, and keeping herself true to Him as coming world ruler, formed an illicit union with the *governments of this world*—entered into this world's politics—sought to DOMINATE this world's governments, took an active part in its affairs! Thus she committed spiritual "fornication"—illicit union *prior* to marriage.

The Roman church united Church and State, actually ruled over the state, which is Satan's kingdom, for more than a thousand years! The popular churches of Christendom nearly all take active, vigorous part in this world's affairs and its politics. Most churches will now be instructing their members HOW TO VOTE in this presidential election. They are part and parcel of THIS WORLD, and they serve only THE GOD OF THIS WORLD, Satan the devil. *They are deceived!* They do not even know they are doing wrong—they ARE DECEIVED!

This entire system—religion taking part in politics—is labeled "BABYLON" (Rev. 17:5).

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PEACE is coming in our time!

Here is GOOD NEWS! But few realize how or the way in which peace will be brought to this strife-torn earth!

by Herman L. Hoeh

BILLIONS today *hope* for the best, but fear the worst *is coming!* Our children are facing a world convulsing in the throes of war and preparations for war.

Why?

In the last forty years, the statesmen and religious leaders of the world have tried every means to bring about "peace in our time." Politicians still promise people peace to gain their votes.

But there is still no peace!

The League of Nations, formed to make the world safe for democracy, was shipwrecked by the ambitions of Hitler, Mussolini, and the Japanese warlords. Shortly before the second world war ravished Europe, Asia and Africa, the Prime Minister of England, Sir Neville Chamberlain, met with Hitler to dismember Czechoslovakia and bring "peace in our time."

Then WAR struck!

The nations united against Fascist aggression and constructed the United Nations Organization, admittedly this world's *LAST HOPE of peace*. But within weeks after the close of the war, Russia began the new *cold war*—and *hot wars* too!

Congo Shipwrecks the U.N.

In the inflated prosperity that is deluding so many, we are forgetting that the world's admitted *last hope* to bring peace is falling to pieces! The United Nations are *not* united. There is no real unity against the sinister advancement of communism. The Congo tragedy is the latest fiasco.

Present world policies are leading us closer, not to peace, but to the final contest for world mastery—the final WAR which the world shudders to face—where whole cities will become *livid crematoriums* of twisted steel and burning rubble, where the countryside will become a desolate graveyard of starving and dying refugees! No, *there is no way left by which the statesmen of THIS WORLD can bring peace*. The world's

admitted last hope, the United Nations, is hopelessly wrecked. War is inevitable. It is only a matter of TIME.

Why won't we awaken to the realization that humanity is on the brink of oblivion? Our world leaders **KNOW** what is ahead, but *they are afraid to let you know* how terrible it will be. They are frightened themselves, but don't know what to do about it!

Most Important Activity on Earth

There is a far more important work now going on than all the efforts of U.N. peace missions. It is publishing and preaching the good news of *God's intervention* and of a Supreme World Government. It is **MORE IMPORTANT** than *all* the efforts of this world to bring about peace. It is the message of the world's *only* hope, the *only* WAY to peace. It is the gospel—the good news, now being broadcast on the World Tomorrow.

The world needs world government, but it can't produce one. It has failed in its last chance by its own admission! The gospel is the good news of the coming World Government which will bring peace by *changing* human hearts and minds, by imparting the *nature of God* to mortal beings who only have *human* nature filled with lusts that bring on wars (James 4:1).

People want peace but they don't know *how* to find it. Peace can come **ONLY** by divine intervention.

That is **WHY** the gospel must go as a witness to all nations—so all will *remember* that God was right after all. If they had only *listened* wars would not have happened; there would not have been such unbearable anguish. When God *does* intervene in this very living generation, when man is about to annihilate himself, the world *will be FORCED* to listen to God's ways and laws which they have despised.

Who Will Rule the World?

For thousands of years certain men

have sought to control the world. Today the open struggle for world mastery centers about the Western powers under American leadership against communist tyranny and slavery.

What makes today's struggle so serious is that *human existence is at stake!* As early as 1953 President Eisenhower met with his National Security Council, the commanders and civilian chiefs of the armed forces, and with a committee of advisers on defense of the North American continent. In this meeting it was revealed that it is now possible "*for any nation with a moderate military budget to manufacture hydrogen weapons within the next decade.*"

Think of it! At a time when all the world is caught in the struggle for world control, it is possible for **MANY NATIONS**—not just the United States or Russia—to manufacture hydrogen weapons and to enforce their will on the world! Think what it means for the future of human life on this planet with the power of the hydrogen bomb in the hands of the irresponsible leaders! At the very time when the world is conscious as never before of the need for world government, it is now possible for Germany and **MANY** other nations to produce the hydrogen bomb within a decade, and to threaten the peace and safety of **ALL HUMAN LIFE**.

Undercover Struggle for World Control

While the *open* struggle between East and West steadily increases, it is vital that the West understand *there are more contenders for world rulership than just America and Russia*. **SECRETLY** operating with the most clever ruse, there are nations within the Western camp who only await the time when they can come into the open to launch a stunning attack that **WILL** shake this world to its foundations! and crush American might *before* the Communists will be able to launch their planned final attack!

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The Tenth Commandment

Do you know the **BASIS** for most people's financial troubles?
Do you know the true **CAUSE** for most wars and most crimes?

by Roderick C. Meredith

DID YOU know that recent surveys have revealed that the financial troubles plaguing most families are NOT the result of low income? Rather, they are directly caused by overextending a normally adequate income for *luxuries* and *personal indulgence*, and by the American habit of *installment buying*!

"Buy now and pay later," say the advertisements.

But do you really NEED to buy this item *now*? And are you SURE you will be able to "pay later"?

A Society Based on Lust

"Keeping up with the Joneses" is a popular American slogan.

High pressure advertisements constantly encourage this idea. It is made to seem "backward" or *wrong* not to *strive* and *compete* and LUST after as many material possessions as your neighbor owns.

The modern idea is to "GET *all you can while the getting is good*."

The incessant pressure to "get ahead"—which usually means to acquire more money and material property—has become a thing of *idolatry*. It is BLINDING the minds and hearts of millions to the life of God.

Recently, a prominent religious publication, "The Canadian Churchman," ran a sobering article revealing the effect of this material idolatry on young African Christians studying in the United States and Canada.

One such young man said: "Before I came to study here, I was a good Christian. I dreamed some day of becoming a medical missionary. Now I'm an *athiest*."

"Why?" asked the shocked interviewer.

"Since coming here," was the reply, "I've discovered that *the white man has two gods*. One that he taught us about, and another one to whom he prays. A Presbyterian mission school taught me the tribal doctrines of my ancestors who worshipped images and believed

in witchcraft were wrong and almost ludicrous. But here you worship larger images—cars and electrical appliances. I honestly can't see the difference."

Surprising?

It shouldn't be. Except that most people get so close to their own sin that they can't see it.

We live in a so-called "Christian" society which is literally based on LUST and *greed* for more and more material things!

The frenzied effort to *compete* with others and "get ahead" is the source not only of most financial problems, but the real cause of much physical and mental illness, broken homes, frustrated lives.

Most important of all, this form of *idolatry* leaves almost no time, strength or desire ever to become acquainted with the true GOD—whose living laws and ways alone would bring real inner peace and joy.

The Command

In this series of articles expounding the Ten Commandments, we have seen that *every problem and sorrow* in our individual and national lives is directly caused by DISOBEDIENCE to one or more of the Commandments of God. We have seen that God's *spiritual* Law, The Ten Commandments, reveals THE WAY to peace, happiness, prosperity—everything man really wants.

But man usually wants to achieve these results *his own way*—the WRONG way. And so he *suffers*.

Most men fail to realize that the Ten Commandments are *living, moving, ACTIVE* laws—like the law of gravity. They are *automatic*. When you break them, *they break you!*

So it is with the final commandment of God's Law. Even though it may be broken *without the knowledge of any other human being*, the penalty for its violation is absolutely CERTAIN!

This present generation above all others needs to *understand* and *apply* this command in personal and social life.

"*Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's*" (Exodus 20:17).

Of all the commandments, the tenth refers most specifically to man's relation to man.

The force of the commandment lies in these words: "Thy neighbor's . . . thy neighbor's . . . his . . . his . . . his . . . his . . . thy neighbor's." This is a *seven-fold* guarding of the interests of another.

It is not wrong to lawfully desire a wife, a servant, or an ox or ass. But where the object admired is legitimately out of reach of the one admiring, admiration merging into *desire to possess* breaks the commandment.

Although this commandment deals most obviously with human and physical relationships, the *spiritual requirement* of the command is in some ways more rigid than any that has preceded it. This command regulates even the *thoughts* in the mind and heart of man.

Most men look on sin as an *outward* or *physical type of thing*. They do not realize that the holy, righteous CHARACTER which God purposes in us necessitates that even our *thoughts* be completely purified and made like His.

Action follows thought. What you think, *you are*.

If you secretly reject God's standard and His way, if in your heart you lust after something which you either cannot or will not come to lawfully possess with His blessing, then—sooner or later—this mental rebellion will bring forth outward SIN. The actions will then proceed to *defy God*—to break His Law—because the *thoughts* have been doing this all along!

This command pierces through all "surface Christianity" and shows whether a man has really surrendered his WILL to his Maker! It is a searching and fearful principle. But it is a command you must learn to OBEY if you are

ever to receive *eternal life* and *glory* in the kingdom of God.

Obviously—when *all eternity* is involved—God *will not* give eternal life to one who in his mind and heart disdains the very *character* and *way of life* God purposes for those in His kingdom. And so when we come to deal with the true God, it is time to stop “kidding” ourselves about religion. We either come to LOVE the Creator God and His ways and laws with all our being, or we will automatically begin to resent His authority and rule over our lives.

That is where the *tenth commandment* enters in. For it shows God's *authority* even over our inner thoughts! We must learn to think like God thinks!

“Let this *mind* be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus” (Philip. 2:5).

Through God's spirit in us, we must *fight* the fight of faith—put down the lustful human nature within us—and ultimately succeed in “*bringing into captivity* EVERY THOUGHT to the obedience of Christ” (II Cor. 10:5). This is the ultimate GOAL of the true Christian—to be fully attained in the resurrection.

But we are to GROW in God's character during this life. We must learn as did righteous Enoch, Noah, Abraham and other servants of the Most High to “walk with God.” We must go His way—do as He does—think as He thinks.

But the normal mind of man is filled with *selfishness, vanity, competition, greed, hate, lust*. It is a mind CUT OFF from the ways and thoughts of God (Isa. 55:8, 9).

That is why Jesus emphasized how important it is to get our minds *changed, converted* and CLEANED UP when He said: “Blessed are the *pure in heart*: for they shall see God” (Matt. 5:8).

Where Do We Stand?

Especially since World War II, life in our Western society has *speeded up*. We are rushing to make more *money*. We are *in a hurry* to have a good time, to GET everything we can out of life. On every side, we are taught to *compete* with our fellow man for social honors and material advancement.

We have come to literally CRAVE material luxuries that were in some cases

completely unknown just two generations ago. We are urged to spend more than we make—to do more than we ought. “You owe it to yourself” the subtle advertisement reads in putting over the idea that we would be foolish not to buy a bigger car, eat at a more expensive restaurant, or take longer and more costly trips.

The emphasis is on *getting* and on SELF.

Nationally, the nations of the world *fight* and KILL because of this same attitude of heart. “From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not” (James 4:1, 2).

All too often, the capitalist *lusts* for more money than he can easily attain by paying fair wages. So he ROBBS his employees by paying too little, and spending too little on improving working conditions and safety.

Likewise, the modern laborer—often misguided by unscrupulous union leaders—learns to LUST after more money than he can honestly earn. Through organized pressure and political trickery, he thinks he can *get something for nothing*.

This is BREAKING the *tenth commandment*. It is hurting not only the

man who does it, but it is *destroying* the ability of his nation to compete effectively in the world trade markets! The nation of any people who practice this form of COVETOUSNESS and hypocrisy will ultimately be *put out of business*—taken over and ruled by Communism or some other aggressive system!

Why do millions of Britons and Americans gamble? It is certainly not through a desire to *produce* good things which will serve their fellow man, and thus honestly and proudly earn their daily bread. It is because of man's basic desire to *get something for nothing*—to COVET a reward he has not legitimately earned.

“The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy” (James 4:5).

Why do so-called “authors” write cheap, paperback novels based on nothing but *filth, obscenity* and juvenile *stupidity*? Why do publishers print such corruption which degrades the human emotions of love, kindness and idealism to a level lower than the dumb brutes?

Is this through a desire to *serve* God and their fellow man, to *give* something worthy and helpful in return for the blessings which a good income can make possible?

The answer, of course, is that this obscene “literature” is the result of a particularly *foul* and *perverse* form of COVETOUSNESS—a selfish desire to “get” the good things of life without having to GIVE anything good in return.

Look about you. You see a society literally FOUNDED on this principle!

You can quickly see *hundreds* of other major examples of COVETOUSNESS in our society if your eyes are really open. But be willing to see your *own* covetousness as well! Be willing to *repent* of it and ask God for the love and strength to *overcome* it.

Jesus Christ's Answer

Our generation NEEDS these words of the Son of God: “Take heed and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth” (Luke 12:15).

Did you get that? Your real success and happiness in life, Christ said, is

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The Autobiography of Herbert W. Armstrong

As the broadcast, evangelistic campaigns, and publishing work progressed, opposition increased. This 32nd installment covers the Alvadore campaign.

THE ACTIVITY that was destined to expand steadily into world-wide power and scope was now fast getting under way.

No activity could have started smaller. None could have had a more humble and unpromising beginning. But, with an insignificant \$1.25 per week pledge for the radio broadcast, and what appeared then as a monumental additional \$1.25 per week to be received purely on faith, The Radio Church of God had started on the air the first Sunday in 1934. It was the very bottom of the great depression. Faith was rewarded, however, and the other \$1.25 per week always came, sometimes only a half hour before broadcast time.

I had devoted 20 years to experience on national newspapers and national publications. Now, at last, my dreams of a "magazine of understanding" making PLAIN the revealed TRUTH of the Bible—to be made available to all who requested it without price to them—had become a reality. Promptly on February 1, 1934, Volume I and Number 1 of The PLAIN TRUTH was published, or should I say "published"? No publication ever made a more ignominious entrance before the public. It was rolled off by hand on a very old out-moded ancestor of the mimeograph—an ancient, second-hand "neostyle" acquired for \$10. For years the PLAIN TRUTH was to be reproduced from typewriter-cut stencils by mimeograph before we were able to have it printed.

The "Three-Point Campaign" had at last gotten fully under way with the downtown Eugene evangelistic meetings in the Old Masonic Temple. These meetings had continued five and one-half months until mid-September. There was a harvest. *Always*, as these campaigns continued, there was a harvest.

From 10 to 15 converts were making a start in the Christian life. A Sabbath School was organized at our house on West Fourth Avenue in Eugene, meeting Sabbath afternoon. Services continued Sabbath mornings at the Jeans School House 12 miles west of Eugene.

Now, mid-September, plans were under way for another campaign.

Alvadore Next

Some 12 to 15 miles northwest of Eugene was a little community of Alvadore. It was not even a village. There was probably only one full general store. But there was a two-story school house. The Alvadore school consisted of two classrooms on the ground floor, and an assembly hall upstairs.

Mr. Elmer Fisher and I felt this was the site for the next campaign. We were able to engage the use of the assembly hall—practically without cost.

I do not now remember whether these meetings were conducted over a period of six, or eight, weeks. The only record now immediately available to me affirms that the campaign started in November, 1934, and ended in January, 1935. Probably we started in late November and finished in early or mid-January.

At any rate we had learned the sober lesson about holding services three times a week. In Alvadore we were back on the six-nights-a-week schedule.

Attendance was good. Interest was very good. By this time I was gaining in speaking ability due to the experience of speaking virtually six to eight times a week since July, 1933.

Learning to Speak Publicly

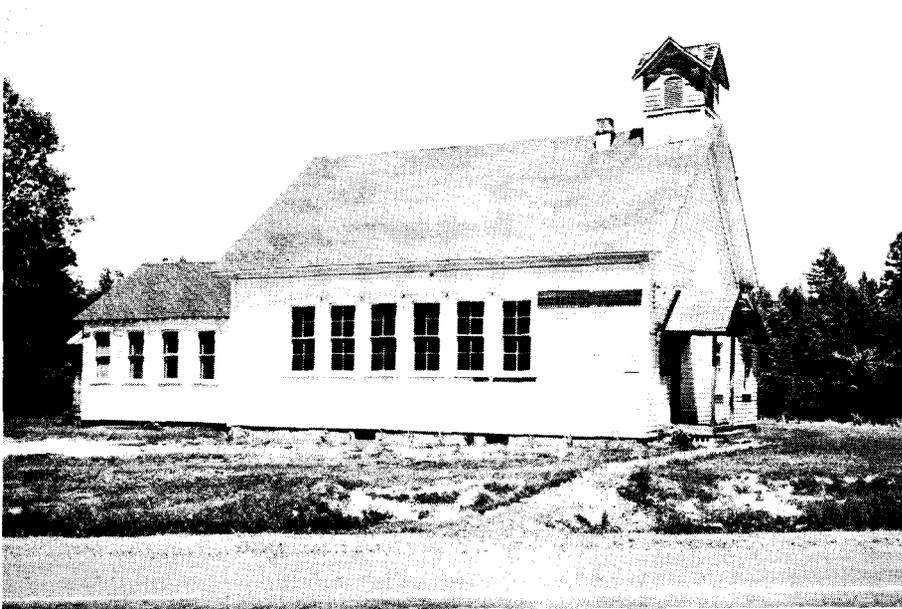
One learns to speak before the public by speaking. I remember how one asked Elbert Hubbard how he learned to

write. He replied that he learned to write by writing. A pianist learns to play the piano by playing the piano—eight hours a day, *if* one is to become a concert pianist.

If there was anything I had never expected to become, it was a preacher or an evangelist. I have explained early in this autobiography how at age 18 I had put myself through a self-analysis with the book titled *Choosing a Vocation*. This self-inflicted test indicated that I had an analytical mind, an intellectual curiosity, a desire to UNDERSTAND, and some natural aptitude for writing. The test pointed to the advertising profession. Those years of experience in advertising and news-gathering, editorial writing, and the writing of magazine articles, had prepared me for the calling to God's ministry.

But it was two or three years after conversion before I realized I was called to preach. I have just come across a carbon copy of a letter that I had written, dated July 11, 1928—even before our first son was born—to a Mr. A. N. Dugger, at that time principal leader of the Church of God, at Stanberry, Missouri. It shows that at that time a little more than a year after my conversion, I did apparently realize that God was calling me for some definite mission, for which I was being prepared. I did not know what it was to be. I realized I was not yet ready. And I supposed, at that time, that it would be in the field of writing, not speaking. I feel that many who are reading this life history may find a few excerpts from that letter interesting.

Elder Dugger had invited them to join their church. I have explained previously that I never did join it. Here are portions of that letter:



The Jeans schoolhouse, 12 miles west of Eugene, Oregon, where Mr. Armstrong held evangelistic campaign in 1933.

"I appreciate your kind invitation to affiliate actively with the Church of God organization. Elder Stith approached me on the subject, also. . . .

"However, for the immediate present, until further developments, I do not feel led to join any organization, and feel that I should not take matters into my own hands, or rush, or hurry. I believe the Lord is dealing with me, preparing me for a very active and definite calling and mission, and that until matters have developed further I should do as Jesus commanded the Apostles—tarrying until I have received full preparation and power. . . . I feel it is absolutely necessary that we should permit ourselves to be led by the Holy Spirit, and not try to launch into something half prepared, by taking matters into our own hands before we are *sure* it is the will of the Lord. I do not know exactly, yet, what my mission or calling is to be, or what the method of carrying it out is to be. Unquestionably it will require organized effort, rather than attempting to carry out the mission alone and unaided.

Writing—Not Speaking

"I can say this much—I feel that it is along the line of writing rather than oral speaking or preaching.

"I believe the Lord bestows gifts and callings upon men mightily according

to their natural talents and experience, giving spiritual gifts along these same lines. . . .

"My whole business experience has been along the lines of investigating, analyzing, and gaining an understanding of business problems and rectifying the situations, and in writing. Whatever natural talent I have is along those lines. I do not have the voice, the personality, the stage presence, or the physical stature to become a real effective speaker or preacher. In that field I should be very medial—far below average. My audiences would of necessity be limited. . . . Any work I might do along that line would be rather weak. As a public speaker I would be far below the average preacher. I know something about public speaking, for I have studied textbooks on it, had contacts with professors of public speaking at the Universities of Illinois and Michigan, who are authors of the texts used in most colleges, and coached a brother-in-law into winning a big oratorical contest. . . . But he had the voice, and other necessary personal attributes for public speaking.

"If I am being given any of the gifts, it is that of UNDERSTANDING of the truth of scripture. . . . But I am not fully prepared as yet."

Little did I realize then that God could, and would, use my voice to reach

continuous world-wide audiences of some fifty million or more people every week. But I did "sense," somehow, that God was preparing me for some definite mission and He had given me sufficient insight to realize that I did not yet know what it was and that I was not yet prepared or ready, and that I should not rush in until it became certain that GOD was leading the way. I knew I must not take things into my own hands.

Actually, my first "sermon," Mrs. Armstrong has assured me, was not preaching—but just a kind of talk. It did meet enthusiastic response, not because of any speaking ability, for there was none—but because I *did* have something vital to say. It was three years after the above letter was written before I was ordained as a minister.

Even then I did not speak with any "drive" or "fire" or power. I still more or less just "talked." But there was, always, a vital message. After all, the MESSAGE, which comes from God, is the thing! Not the speaker or even oratory. I remember that it was either during, or shortly after, the first Firbutte campaign in late 1933, that the message began to pour forth with some power. It was during one of those all-day meetings held about once a month at the little church house in Harrisburg, Oregon (long since torn down). I was probably more surprised than the congregation that day. I did have a burning message—and I did *feel* it intensely—and suddenly the message began to pour forth in some kind of power. I did not "put it on"—rather, I had to try to hold it in check so that it didn't run away with me! They told me afterward that for the first time I gestured with my hands and arms. I didn't realize it. My mind was on the audience and the message I knew they sorely needed.

Today I try to teach young future ministers to be natural—to quit thinking of themselves, their gesturing, their oratory or speaking ability. I tell them *never* to try to turn on the power—but wait until after the experience when the power is there naturally.

Heckled Again

In this Alvadore neighborhood were three or four families of Seventh Day Adventists. They attended the meetings.

I soon learned that one of them was coming for the sole purpose of learning what I was preaching, so he could visit the others in the daytime and try to refute everything I was saying. He didn't seem to be succeeding very well. The others continued to come with increasing interest.

Then there was Elder Day of the Christian Church and his wife and two late teen-age children. Elder Day was then about 84. He was a quiet, soft-spoken, rather scholarly gentleman. After two or three nights, he smiled and he shook hands with me at the door, and said, "Well, I have learned something new tonight."

This continued through the rest of the meetings. My heart surely went out to elderly Brother Day. When a man well advanced into his 80's is "learning something NEW" every night, he is a rare and precious individual, indeed. Always his face lighted up happily in this new knowledge!

But as we came into the final two weeks of the meeting, this one Seventh Day Adventist finally became vocal. I was just beginning the sermon one evening, speaking on the truth that Jesus was three days and three nights,

exactly as He said, in the tomb after crucifixion—and then, therefore, the crucifixion was *not* on "Good Friday" and the resurrection was *not* on Sunday morning!

Now it so happened that, since their Mrs. White had a dream or vision in which she claimed the resurrection did occur on Sunday morning, Seventh Day Adventist doctrine cannot accept the words of Christ.

I had hardly begun the service when this ill-advised man arose and began to heckle.

"That passage in Matthew 12 verses 38 to 40 does not mean that Jesus was in the tomb," he said. "It means he was in the hands of the Roman soldiers three days and three nights. Besides, the Bible plainly says Jesus ROSE early in the morning on the first day of the week!"

I immediately accepted his challenge.

"You mean you think the expression 'in the heart of the earth' means 'in the hands of Roman soldiers'?" I asked.

"Yes, it does!" he lashed back.

"And you say the Bible plainly states that Jesus actually ROSE early on Sunday morning?"

"Yes, it does," he affirmed.

"Well," I said. "Now I'll tell you what we'll do. You just be seated until the close of the sermon, and start hunting for that passage in your Bible. You won't need to listen to the sermon, because you won't believe a thing I say anyway, and you only listen in order to go around the neighborhood trying to confuse others and to refute everything I am preaching. Now I strongly advise you to utilize every single minute between now and the end of the sermon hunting that text—because you are going to need a lot more time than that to find what simply isn't there. Then at the close of the sermon, I am going to call on you to stand up again and to read to us all out of the Bible where it says that Christ actually ROSE on Sunday morning."

At the close of the sermon, I called on my heckler and bade him to rise, and to read his text. He arose, and began thumbing through the New Testament of his Bible.

I had become a little provoked by this man's persistent opposition and determined to make an example of him and end any influence he possibly might have once for all.

"Come, now!" I said. "I noticed you did not heed my advice to devote all the time of the sermon hunting for the text that is not there. You should have been searching, then you wouldn't keep us all waiting like this. Come, now! Read it! Read where the Bible says Christ ROSE on Sunday morning."

He merely stood there, confused, flushed in the face.

"We are waiting!" I prodded.

I let at least five minutes of dead silence elapse. It seemed more like an hour. I purposely let it become embarrassing, to let the truth of this scripture sink in deep in the audience.

Finally, I said, "Well, while this man stands there and hunts for the scripture that isn't there, let's look now at what he said about 'in the heart of the earth' meaning 'in the hands of the Roman soldiers.' Notice, this scripture says: . . . 'for as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.' Now see how Jonah was a type of Christ. In the great fish's belly, Jonah says (Jonah 2:2): 'I cried by reason of mine afflic-



Site of Firbutte school where Mr. Armstrong held a six-weeks' campaign in 1933. The school was demolished several years ago when the Fern Ridge Dam was constructed.

tion unto the Eternal, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell (margin, Heb., *sheol*—the GRAVE) cried I.

"Now, Jonah was in this GRAVE—for had he not been vomited up, it was a grave of DEATH—three days and three nights, after which he was supernaturally resurrected by being vomited up—to become the human saviour from physical destruction of the city of Nineveh. Likewise, Christ was in a tomb hewn back into the very heart of the earth, three days and three nights, after which He was resurrected to become the spiritual Saviour of all mankind. The analogy is plain. The meaning is plain and simple. Christ was resurrected from the TOMB in the heart of the earth—He was not resurrected from the hands of the Roman soldiers!

"Now," I continued. "How many of you in the audience believe 'in the heart of the earth' mean the TOMB from which Christ was resurrected? Let me see your hands!"

Every hand, except the very confused man standing, went up!

"Well," I said to him. "It sort of looks like we are all out of step but you. Have you found that scripture that isn't there, yet?"

He merely looked helplessly confused. Everyone was laughing at him. It was well-deserved and ought to have been profitable punishment.

"We can't wait longer," I said. "I do hope this will be a good lesson to you. You may sit down."

This was the only time I have ever made a laughing stock out of any man before others, to my knowledge. But this man had been spending weeks trying to discredit me and God's truth, and I felt it was the way to defend the Truth for the good of all.

Meeting More Opposition

One family attending the Alvadore meetings regularly, and accepting the truths taught, was the W. E. Conns. Mr. Conn was a farmer in the neighborhood, doing quite a dairy business. One truth which seemed of tremendous importance to them was the fact the resurrection was on late Saturday afternoon, and not Sunday morning.

The following Sunday after preaching on that subject, Mrs. Armstrong and

I were invited to their home for dinner. After dinner two men called. One was a preacher—apparently an independent, or of some small local sect, who had been serving as pastor to the Conns sometime before when they had lived in Salem, Oregon. The other was a man, also from Salem, who appeared to be associated with the preacher religiously. They had heard that the Conns had accepted the truth of God's Sabbath, being influenced primarily by the fact that the resurrection was not on Sunday. This knocked out from under Sunday observance the only prop which human tradition used to support it.

This preacher apparently came for a fight. He was angry. He was ready to get tough.

"The Bible says Christ rose from the dead on Sunday morning," he snapped, angrily.

I handed him a Bible.

"Read it to me," I said, simply.

He turned, as I knew he would, to Mark 16:9. But to my utter surprise, he did not read it as it is printed. He MIS-read:

"Now when Jesus ROSE early the first day of the week."

"My dear sir, you did not read that as it is written. Will you read it once again, and this time, read exactly what it says?" I demanded.

"Now when Jesus ROSE early the first day of the week," he repeated with heavy emphasis on the word "rose" which does not appear in the text.

I saw he was going to persist. I decided to maneuver this dishonest man, intent on deliberately deceiving, into a trap.

"The expression 'the first day of the week' is merely describing *when* Christ appeared first to Mary Magdalene," I said. "Punctuation was not inspired, but added by uninspired men long after the Bible was written. This was translated from the Greek. The comma belongs after the word 'risen,'" I said deliberately appearing to argue.

He took the bait, hook, line and sinker!

"Oh no you don't," he exclaimed angrily. "You can't go changing it."

"Do you mean we must accept the King James, or Authorized Version, just as it is, without changing a single com-

ma, or any translation?" I inquired.

"I do!" he snapped. "You can't change a thing."

"Well then, why don't *you* read it as it is, without changing it? Now I want you to read Matthew 28, verse 1."

He turned to read it. His face grew red with anger. It reads: "In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre."

"Yes, now read verses 5 and 6, and remember, this is in the end of or late on the Sabbath—NOT SUNDAY MORNING."

"I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified," he read. "He is not here: for he is risen, as he said."

"Yes," I added, "while it was still late in the end of the Sabbath, which ended at sunset."

"Oh," he began to explain. "But that is a mistranslation. It doesn't mean in the end of the Sabbath, but dawn Sunday morning."

"Didn't you just say that you cannot *change* the King James translation? Didn't you just say that I have to take it as it is, without changing or re-translating a thing?"

He was beginning to lose face. He had no answer.

"Now," I said, "turn back to Mark 16:9, and let's see whether you are honest enough to read it honestly."

"Now when Jesus R O S E early the first day of the week," he shouted.

I turned to Mr. Conn.

"I dislike to do this," I said, "but I had to show you how dishonest this man is, and how he had been deliberately deceiving you these past few years as to what the Bible says. Now, Mr. Conn, this passage tells what *state* Jesus was in early the first day of the week. It tells whether He was rising, or whether He already *was risen*, because He had risen the evening before. I want you, Mr. Conn, to read this. Does it say Jesus ROSE—or, early the first day of the week, that He already WAS RISEN?"

I handed the Bible to Mr. Conn. His hands trembled until he could hardly hold it. He was extremely nervous.

He read, "Now when Jesus *was risen* early the first day of the week."

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HOW to REAR CHILDREN

by Garner Ted Armstrong

Editor's Note: Today, we find ourselves in a world threatened with absolute extinction! Never have there been times such as these. We live in a world filled with the threat of "ultimate" war, with its guided missiles and hydrogen bombs, earth satellites and deadly radiation, with its fear, frustration, and confusion among nations, races and religions.

Nothing better serves to illustrate the terrible pressures we have placed on ourselves—the uncertainty of the future—and the real *dangers* of the age in which we live than the "crazy, mixed-up" youth of today! **WHAT'S WRONG WITH OUR YOUTH?** Millions have asked that question—and yet, almost no one seems to really know the answer!

Never has there been a time when the TRUTH about child training has been more sorely needed. We are faced with a veritable landslide of juvenile crime and lawlessness. And, besides those future millions who will actually become entangled with law enforcement agencies, there are *many times* that number who, even though not actually running afoul of the law, are rebellious, hostile, frustrated, and have no personal desire to make something of themselves. Yes, *millions* of boys and girls, who sneer at constituted authority, who are rebellious toward their parents, and who seemingly have seceded from normal society and have withdrawn into the inner sanctum of "teenage."

WHY? WHAT IS WRONG? What are the real basic underlying causes of juvenile delinquency and adolescent rebellion—what are the reasons for mere children becoming sadistic, brutal criminals? And, most important of all, what can YOU do to insure yourself against the eventuality of having your children become delinquent, and to have a guarantee that your children will grow up being obedient, respectful, considerate and loving—having the right values and a real sense of responsibility?

It is time we learned why, in only one generation, a nation's youth went berserk, and will expose the real identity of the behind-the-scenes culprits, and will reveal how *you* can avoid the disease of delinquency striking your loved ones.

AMERICA stands alone as the leading nation in teenage crime. Our news agencies remind us constantly of horrifying atrocities committed by mere children, some of them fifteen years of age and younger.

Youth in Turmoil

High-ranking civil authorities are frankly worried. In a message on the State of the Union, President Eisenhower said:

"To help the States do a better job, we must strengthen their resources for preventing and dealing with juvenile delinquency. I shall propose Federal legislation to assist the States in dealing with this nationwide problem."

Think of that! The greatest "Christian" nation that has ever existed—building hundreds of churches, sending

missionaries abroad, translating the Bible into hundreds of foreign languages—and yet, the President found it necessary to ask for government aid in helping the States combat their growing problems of child crime.

Childish Pranks—Or Real Crime?

To many, juvenile delinquency has been an occasional shocking headline, a newspaper clipping, or a sensational motion picture.

Lethargic public opinion has too often tried to convince itself child crime belongs exclusively to the slum areas of our large cities, and is only the occasional outburst of a demented or abnormal person, having come from a broken home or slum environment, and who has needed psychiatric treatment.

Many high officials in this nation's law enforcement agencies have been as-

tounded at the lack of concern by the public over what they consider one of the greatest menaces to the future security of our nation. Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz, having presided over Brooklyn's Kings County Court for more than fifteen years, in speaking out against the insistence of many that child crime is merely "childish pranks," answers:

"Horrible crimes—mere youngsters are now holdup men, armed with loaded guns, iron knuckles, switchblade knives, daggers; crimes such as muggings, rapes, home burglaries, felonious assaults, arson, dope peddling. I had a safecracker before me the other day who was barely eighteen years of age."

Stop and think! A change has taken place. Adults who used to smile at children plucking grapes from the neighbor's vines, who were mildly amused at

accounts of watermelon-patch escapades are now faced with a generation of teenage criminals—*committing gruesome atrocities of all descriptions!*

From all parts of the United States comes the ghastly, sickening news of unmerciful viciousness committed by boys and girls barely in their teens—and younger.

In Philadelphia, two young brothers told police they played catch with and kicked a nine-week-old baby before stripping and putting him on the stove where he burned to death. The brothers, Gregory and Larry, were five and four. After the mother of the child had found the baby lying across three lighted burners of a gas stove in her West Philadelphia home, police apprehended the two boys, and they were taken to the Children's Shelter for psychiatric examination and treatment.

In Mississippi, a sixteen-year-old Jackson boy shot and killed his mother after she told him to clean up his room. Robert Bowling, who was described by neighbors as a "real nice boy," was charged with murder after shooting his mother, Mrs. Robert Hartwell Bowling, to death with a shotgun. The youth, a junior in high school, calmly related the story of the shooting, "without shedding a tear," and then refused to talk with investigating officers further.

In Kansas City, Missouri, nine youngsters brutally beat a man because he had no cigarettes for them.

In Galion, Ohio, an eighteen-year-old boy slashed a woman and her small daughter with his knife when the mother fought his attempted rape. In Memphis, Tennessee, two boys shot a sixteen-year-old girl in the stomach because she resisted their advances. In Atlanta, Georgia, a gang of teenagers tortured four smaller children for three hours in the woods, then forced them to commit perversions.

In Brooklyn, New York, four teenagers were tried for murder after they had freely confessed to a brain-chilling horror story that involved everything from horsewhipping girls to pouring gasoline over an old man and setting him on fire for the fun of it!

REAL CRIME? Yes—even more than that—the heart-rending account of misery and death dealt innocent victims

at the hands of vicious hoodlums barely in their teens!

What the Authorities Are Saying

J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has made it his personal concern to campaign against the lawlessness of youth. He has repeatedly been quoted in the nation's leading magazines and newspapers, has spoken before various civic groups and has published the actual statistics showing the startling trends in child crime.

The actual facts published by the F.B.I. show an astounding increase in juvenile delinquency over the past years. The number of juveniles brought to court has *doubled* in thirteen years. At the current rate of climb, the number of actual court cases per year will be climbing well past the 500,000 mark, and headed rapidly toward one million. However, it must be remembered this only represents *those actually apprehended* and brought to court, and is not representative of the thousands of *unsolved* incidents occurring each year. Mr. Hoover said,

"The nation can expect an *appalling increase* in the number of crimes that will be committed by teenagers in the years ahead unless the crime rate among juveniles can be lowered.

"In 1953, persons under 18 committed 53.6 per cent of all car thefts; 49.3 per cent of all burglaries; 18 per cent of all robberies, and 16.2 per cent of all rapes . . . even the present number of juveniles, committing crime at the present rate, in the next 33 years—approximately a generation—will commit 7.4 million automobile thefts, 15.8 million burglaries, 2 million robberies, 3 million aggravated assaults, and 200,000 murders."

Read over those figures again—and—THINK! That means unless something is done—200,000 people within the next generation are destined to lose their lives in horrifying violence and torture at the hands of teenagers!

Can the Law Stop It?

"Why?" asked many citizens, "can't

the law put a stop to it?" The answer, coming from officials in law enforcement agencies, is surprising, even shocking.

Weak laws, with no force behind them, cannot be expected to change a basic lack in a *disobedient child!* Judge Samuel Leibowitz remarked, ". . . The whole thing is treated too casually . . . These youngsters being turned loose time after time with hardly a slap on the wrist. Naturally, they can have nothing but contempt for a law and a system which has no backbone—no conviction of any sort—in it."

A school teacher in California said, ". . . It doesn't take these youngsters long to realize our threats are empty ones without backing from central headquarters." Because parents have been following the precepts of "child psychology" and "progressive education" based on the pragmatism of William James, they do not *want* children punished. And laws governing our school systems *forbid* the physical punishing of a child in many states, giving the children a feeling of protection in their uncooperative attitudes. Teachers report that situations depicted by articles and by the movie called "Blackboard Jungle" are *not* rare isolated occurrences which *seldom* affect the school, but are the RULE IN MOST BIG-CITY SCHOOLS TODAY!

The suicide of a principal, the resigning of many teachers, and the assignment of uniformed policemen to the halls of some large city schools certainly point up these facts.

In some of the schools, it is not safe for teachers to walk the hallways, *except* in pairs, for their own physical protection! Reported a high-school teacher in San Diego, California; "I have heard several boys say in class that their one ambition is to 'kill a cop.' I have seen switch-blade knives in my room and have sent boys to the principal's office with them." Juvenile authorities repeatedly tell of the attitudes of juveniles who, when brought into court, show *utter contempt* for constituted authority. Modern juvenile courts are often conducted in the utmost informality, with the court attendants prohibited from wearing uniforms, and the judge sitting behind the desk much the same as the clerk.

The thought behind this childish and ridiculous procedure is that the law enforcement agencies must avoid, *at all costs*, giving the youthful criminals any sense of "guilt" over their actions, and must avoid the possibility of giving them a "complex."

A judge said, "I firmly believe that (the informality of a juvenile courtroom procedure) is one of the major causes that tend to encourage the experienced young criminal in his disrespect for law and order and thus to continue in his career of crime."

Remember, the law enters the picture *only after* the juvenile has been actually involved in some crime and apprehended—and since the methods of dealing with offenders are informal, slow, and lack teeth, the juveniles of today grow bolder in their disrespect for law, and are encouraged in their flaunting of all the constituted authority of society.

Too often the teeth of the law enforcement agencies are actually extracted by the maudlin sentimentalsists and "do gooders" who would revoke the right of punishing criminals, and repeal the laws of capital punishment. Without realizing it, they are actually *encouraging* youthful lawlessness. They are, in effect, encouraging the *criminals* to inflict CAPITAL PUNISHMENT upon innocent victims, parents, teachers, and policemen. In Los Angeles recently, two drunken young hoodlums were caught in the act of mercilessly pistol whipping an elderly liquor store attendant. As the two policemen answering the call of a passerby entered the store, one of the armed thugs loosed a fusillade which struck the policeman in the head, causing his death in the hospital some hours later. Other police had arrived, and in the exchange of shots, the two gunmen were both slain.

The murdered policeman left a widow and four small children. He had been a respected member of the police force for over ten years. *However*, in the face of the monstrous brutality on the part of the two hoodlums, both of whom had previous criminal records, there were the seemingly totally blinded and ignorant "do gooders" who began wailing the song, "But, was it *necessary* to shoot them down?" Perhaps, seated in the protective sanctity of their living rooms,

in partial possession of the facts, this might seem like a legitimate question. But to the dizzying, blinding pain throbbing within the head of an elderly storekeeper who was mercilessly beaten down, and to the grieving mother left with four small children to attend the funeral of their father who had been felled by a bullet tearing through his skull, it certainly seemed *necessary*.

When Crime Becomes Personal

Today, *you could be shot down*, and, even though *proved guilty* through a very lengthy and tedious courtroom trial, your murderer may totally escape punishment. Somehow, it all seems to depend on the age of the murderer. If it is your own child, or a very young juvenile, the chances are very great your bullet-punctured body will be interred, while the youthful murderer will be carted off to a psychiatric ward for "observation and examination." After "treatment" he may be sent to a state farm or adopted by foster parents.

Or, should he be between the ages of 13 and 19, the chances are he may be sent either to a reform school or an actual prison with a fairly stiff sentence, but will be released after a year and a half or more on parole, or, be completely dismissed for "good behavior."

If he is an adult criminal, it is possible he will go scot free either because of a technical loophole found in the law by an intelligent lawyer, or because of pleading "insanity" at the last minute. Still, even though a convicted murderer, the chances are high in his favor (especially in most of the states which have already repealed capital punishment laws) he will live his life out in a prison, where he still stands the chance of being released to prey upon society after a certain number of years of "good behavior."

Shocking isn't it? Of course, you don't want to die—and neither does anyone else. But a glib and lethargic public opinion seems to convince itself the monstrous brutalities always happen "somewhere else," and so proceeds to effectively pluck the teeth of the law enforcement agencies, all the while shouting for them to do a more effective job in protecting John Q. Public from crime.

What Is a Delinquent?

What is a delinquent? Stop and think! A juvenile is only counted as a "delinquent" when he has actually run afoul of the law. These represent only a *small portion* of today's youth—but the actual and potential *uncounted* delinquents who have not *yet* run afoul of the law are an overwhelmingly larger portion. The greatest portion of all is the *broad majority* of our youth who disrespect authority, disobey their parents, defy their teachers, and "get away" with many lawless acts, even though they are not detected or are not apprehended.

And this obvious reaction to today's growing crime trend only serves to further illustrate the absolute necessity for understanding fully the basic CAUSES for juvenile delinquency, the various *pressures of society*, the breeding-grounds for crime, and to identify the *real culprit*.

The startling facts are that juvenile crime is NOT a product of only broken homes, slum areas, or certain racial groups. It is, rather, a disease afflicting all present day society. It is a cancerous growth spreading its ugly tentacles into all races, all income brackets, and both urban and rural areas.

The youngsters who run afoul of the law, however, present only a part of the real problem. Observe the average American family with small children, either in their own homes, or in public places. Parents plucking at the sleeves of little toddlers, warning them, threatening them, admonishing them, pleading with them, and as ineffectually as a gentle summer breeze. I have seen it; you have seen it.

Do *your* children obey *you* perfectly? Do they answer, "Yes, sir!" and "Yes, ma'am!"? Do they act immediately when you ask them to do something? Do they obey your admonitions and orders immediately? Are they always reserved, quiet, obedient and respectful in public places?

Honest answers to these questions will give you the *key* that will begin to unlock a whole new world of realization of the basic problems in child training, and will launch you on a head start

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AUTOBIOGRAPHY

of Herbert W. Armstrong

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The preacher and his companion strode angrily from the room, picked up their coats and hats and went out the front door without a word. Mrs. Conn broke down crying.

"I hope I was not too harsh with those men," I said apologetically.

"Oh, you were not," sobbed Mrs. Conn. "They were harsh with you. But I tell you it *hurts*, to have to completely lose confidence in men you have looked

up to as almost holy, and representing God, all these years. To see them show that they are deliberately dishonest and trying to deceive us is a terrible blow."

Another New Church

The Alvadore campaign ended. Fifteen had come with us, including the Days and the Conns. A new local church was organized, to meet in the Alvadore school auditorium Sabbath mornings. I ordained Elder J. M. Day as Elder, and W. E. Conn as Deacon.

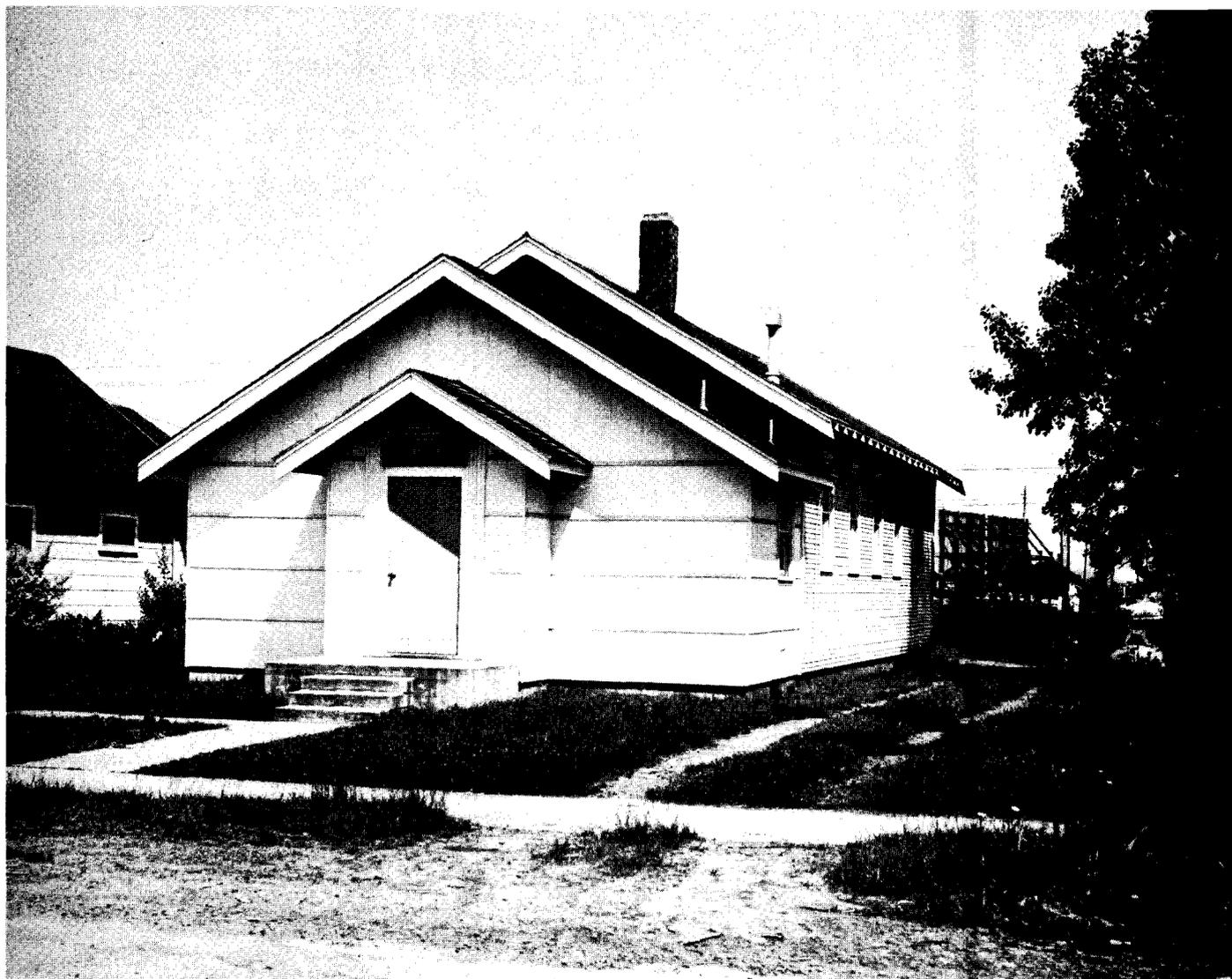
Now I was forced to alternate between Alvadore and Jeans, every other Sabbath morning at each one, and Sabbath afternoon at our home in Eugene.

But serving three local churches was not satisfactory. This continued some four and a half months.

But the last of May, 1935, the members of these three churches purchased a little church house that our brethren had erected under Elder R. L. Taylor late in 1931, consolidating into one Church of God at Eugene the first of June, 1935.

Pressure of getting the new Ambassador College organized and started in England forces me to break off here. Next month, I hope to continue relating the rapid expansion of the work—and the opposition and increasing persecution.

The three congregations at Alvadore, Jeans and Eugene, Oregon, consolidated into one Church of God and met in this building beginning June, 1935.



The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER TWENTY-FIVE

WAR WITH AMALEK!

MOSSES now spoke to the people, who by this time were willing and eager to listen to words of advice. They were shocked by God's mighty presence in a cloud that supernaturally appeared.

"God has told me," Moses said to them, "that He has heard all of your complaints. He is not pleased by them, but because of His great mercy He has asked me to tell you that this very evening you will receive the flesh you believe you need to eat. Furthermore, when morning comes, you will find plenty of food on the ground. These miraculous gifts from our Creator should prove to everyone that God is watching out for us all the time, and that we should please Him by not complaining." (Exodus 16:8-9.)

Food By Divine Miracle

That evening the Israelites were surprised to see the sky darkened by a vast flock of birds. At first it appeared that this was an unusually great migration of fowl seeking the climate that was best for them.

All of a sudden the thick hordes of birds swept down on the Israelite camps. Recognizing them as quail—birds very good to eat—men, women and children reached out to seize the winged creatures. The birds seemed very weary as from a long flight, and they were easy to catch. Within only a few minutes the Israelites captured millions of the tasty birds!

Thus God kept His promise to supply flesh for the people to eat.

Next morning, as God had also promised, there was more food for the people. It

came in a strange way. Dew had fallen during the night. In the morning hours it evaporated from grass, bushes, trees and rocks. In place of the beads of moisture there were soft, round, white particles. (Verse 14.)

"What is this peculiar white stuff that is in place of the dew?" the Israelites asked one another.

When Moses heard that the people had discovered the peculiar white substance, he sent word out to all of them that this was the promised bread from heaven.

"God is giving us plenty of this good food," Moses told them. "Each morning you should gather three quarts of it for every person in the camp. Don't wait until too late in the day to take it in, or the hot sun will melt it. And don't try to keep it overnight, or it will spoil." (Verse 16.)

Anxious to try this new thing, the Israelites swarmed out around their camps to gather it into bowls and baskets and bags. They soon found to their enjoyment that it tasted like fresh bread and honey! (Verse 31.)

Before the intense heat of the day began to set in, the people easily gathered the amount they were told to get. Those who were late gathering it found nothing. It had melted.

Although Moses had warned the people not to keep this miraculous food overnight, many of them ignored him and kept it till morning, when they awakened—aware of an unpleasant odor. When they looked to see what caused it, they found that it came from the substance they had gathered the day before, and which was infested with worms. (Verse 20.)

Moses was angry when he learned that so many people had gone against God's orders. But by this time he had learned that it was no small task, even with God's help, to lead over two million people into doing what was right.

The Sabbath Revealed

"On the sixth day of the week you must gather twice as much as usual of this food from God," Moses told the people. "Whether you bake it, boil it or just let it stand, it won't spoil on the seventh day—which is the holy Sabbath our God hallowed at creation, right after He remolded this Earth as a dwelling place for man."

On the morning of the sixth day of the week the people went out to gather twice as much as usual—about a gallon and a half for each person.

Next morning, on the Sabbath, the Israelites found that the substance had not spoiled during the night. It was as fresh and pure as when it had been gathered the previous day. During the many, many years that the Israelites had been in bondage in Egypt, the Israelite slaves seem to have lost count as to which day was actually a holy

twenty-four-hour period. Here was now proof to all the Israelites just what day God wanted them to observe as a day of rest.

"This is a sign that the seventh day of the week, the Sabbath, is holy time," Moses told the Israelites. "Do not go out to gather food on this holy day. God will not provide this bread from heaven on His Sabbath, and you won't find anything to gather." (Verses 22-26.)

Regardless of what Moses said, some of the people went out on the morning of the seventh day of the week to gather the miracle food. Although they carefully searched over a broad area around the camps, they could find no trace of it.

This rebellious act of hunting for food on the Sabbath, after being told not to do so, was very displeasing to God.

"How long are your people going to keep on disobeying my orders and my laws?" God asked Moses. "Look out there at the edge of the camps. See how many people are laboring to find bread from heaven—even though you told them not to go after it on the Sabbath. Remind them that there is no reason to work on the Sabbath. Tell them to keep close to their tents on this day, and not to labor nor seek out their pleasures during this holy time."

Moses told the Israelites what God had told him. Thereafter, for a time, the people were more obedient.

As for the miraculous food God had provided, the Israelites named it *manna*, which meant "what is this"—the words most of them had spoken when they had first seen it. (Verse 31.)

Little did they realize then that they would be gathering manna for a long, long time. They supposed that it would be only a matter of days or weeks until they reached the land of Canaan. But it turned out to be forty years! In the meanwhile, their main food was manna.

God wanted the Israelites to remember—even long after their trip to Canaan—that He had fed them manna for forty years with this miracle. Therefore He commanded that a golden jar be filled with three quarts of manna, and that this jar and its contents (which would specially be preserved by divine power) should be kept to add to certain articles that would be of greater value and meaning in years to come. (Verses 32-36.)

The cloud continued to lead the Israelites to the southeast. Several days later, after moving over hot desert lands, they arrived at a place called Rephidim. From there they could see a menacing mountain range just ahead. It was obvious to the people that they would be travelling on an upgrade for the next several miles. Going would be difficult in the heat, and their water supply was dangerously low.

Moses was aware of conditions. He knew what to expect as soon as camps had been established. Therefore he wasn't surprised when he was told that an angry crowd was moving toward his quarters.

Moses Again Falsely Accused

Moses emerged from his tent. Flanked by Aaron, some of his officers and several elders, Moses held up his arms for silence from the noisy, growing crowd. The shouting and muttering started to die down.

"Let me speak to them," Aaron asked of Moses. "Perhaps I can calm them."

"They're here to blame me for the lack of water," Moses told Aaron. "It's better that I should do the talking this time."

When noise from the crowd had almost ceased, Moses lifted up his voice to say that he knew how short their water supply was, but that he was certain God would soon do something about it.

"How could even God find water in all this dry sand and rocks?" someone yelled.

"My children are crying for water!" another shouted. "So are the children of thousands of those families camped off to the north for miles in this terrible desert! Are you going to let those children die of thirst?"

"You have led us into this barren, miserable land just to watch us and our animals die!" someone else screamed at Moses. "Now you have made it impossible to return to Egypt. For this we should stone you and those who have helped you lure us out into this arid death-trap!" (Exodus 17:1-4.)

This bitter demonstration was much worse than Moses had expected. He ordered officers to spread out at once to control the crowd. Realizing that this could be the start of a bloody conflict, Moses went back into his tent, fell upon his knees and begged God for wisdom in knowing what to do before the crowd could get out of control.

A short while later, when he came out of his tent, he seemed quietly confident, like a man who had suddenly been relieved of a great mental burden.

"Tell the elders to meet me here at once and be prepared to ride on ahead with me," Moses said to his messengers.

When the elders had gathered at Moses' tent, Moses, Aaron and some of their officers mounted their animals and the whole group rode out of the camp and off to the south. The divinely appointed cloud guided them to a certain spot where jagged rocks jutted up out of the dry sand. Then it came to a stop right above a huge boulder that stood out in size and color from the other rocky formations.

"Stand well back from this rock on the higher ground behind it," Moses called to all those with him.

Carrying the shepherd's rod he had brought from Egypt, Moses went around the rock, climbed up its gently slanting back side, and stood atop the great chunk of red granite.

"Our God has promised more than once to take care of us," Moses spoke out to the onlookers, who were more and more curious as to what Moses was going to do. "Here is another example of His miraculous power to provide for us. You elders are here to witness just another way in which our Creator faithfully keeps His promises to His people—even though most of them fail to realize or remember what God has done, and is willing to do, for them."

The onlookers gazed in silence, almost fearful of what might happen. A few, feeling a bit of guilt because of their lagging faith, wondered if fire and brimstone would hiss out of the sky or up through the ground. It was an uneasy moment for several who were present.

Moses lifted his shepherd's rod high over his head, then brought it down sharply upon the edge of the huge boulder of red granite.

Water From a Rock!

Immediately there was a muffled but loud crackling sound from within the rock. Onlookers standing safely off to the sides were amazed to see several parts of the sides of the rock explode outward like giant corks from so many gigantic bottles. Then crystal clear water spewed forth in huge, forceful amounts from those openings! (Exodus 17:5-6.)

The water cascaded into a nearby ravine and plunged in a foamy, muddy torrent toward the slightly lower elevations to the north where the Israelites were camping.

A short time later, Israelites at the head camp were startled to see a sheet of water moving slowly over a dry wash bed nearby. Spectators yelled out their surprise, thus alerting others camped to the north. When the first of the waters finally reached those Israelites near the end of the camps, it came to a gradual stop in a level area which later grew into a small lake.

The mere sight of fresh, moving water greatly excited the Israelites, even though the liquid was at first so muddy from picking up dirt and sand that it was unfit for drinking or even bathing. But with each passing minute the water became a little clearer. It wasn't long before clear, cool water was flowing into the camps of the Israelites!

The people were overjoyed.

For the first time since they had left Egypt there was more than enough water for them and their animals. Learning later how God had miraculously provided a steady stream of water from a solid block of granite, many of them regretted that they



Crystal-clear water gushed out in great quantity from the openings in the rock!

had complained so bitterly against Moses—which was the same, in a way, as complaining against God.

Moses named the area *Massah* and *Meribah*, which meant *trouble* and *strife*. The trouble and strife hadn't come from God or from Moses, but because of the Israelites' lack of faith and dependence on God. (Verse 7.)

Because there was such a wonderful water supply from out of the rock just to the south of their camps, the Israelites stayed in this spot for many months. The cloud remained overhead, which was a direct sign from God that the people should stay in that place.

The clear, fresh water in such abundance made life much easier for everyone. The attitude of the people was much improved, and there was very little complaining, if any, against Moses. But here in this area, just north of where Moses had herded flocks of sheep only a few months before, something unpleasant was beginning to take place.

An Enemy Arrives

Here and there, amid the rocks and rises sloping toward the mountain range to the south, unfriendly eyes peered at this vast band of people who had come from

Egypt. Day after day those eyes kept watch on what went on in the camps. Meanwhile, the Israelites had no reason to suspect they were being spied on. Perhaps there were some who suddenly caught glimpses of furtively moving figures at a distance, only to conclude that the wobbly effect of desert heat had caused illusions of strange objects in motion.

It was late at night when trouble that had been brewing came upon the people in the rear camps. Campfires were out or low, and most of the Israelites were soundly sleeping.

A peculiar rumble, growing in intensity by the second, came to the ears of those who were awake. Within a few moments it was so loud people began to awaken. Startled women and children cried out. Men sprang from their beds and darted out of their tents to find themselves confronted by a huge band of sword-brandishing warriors mounted on camels and horses!

Having managed to surprise their intended victims, the attackers began a frightful yelling and shrieking. Driving their mounts at top speed, they charged into the startled Israelites, who were at first too surprised to do anything.

Swords and knives of the spiteful attackers found their marks. Within only a few minutes the ground was covered with dead and wounded. Realizing that victory was theirs, the attackers dismounted and quickly ransacked the tents. Children and elderly people still in the tents became their victims. They seized anything they could carry away—even some of the young women.

The noise of the attack had been heard by those Israelites in adjoining camps off to the south. Some of the more fearless men in these camps quickly organized hundreds of others to rush to the stricken area. When the attackers heard and saw this horde of men running toward them, they leaped astride their mounts and fled into the night. It was impossible for the Israelites to follow them afoot. All they could do was listen to the fading screams of their captives.

It was a sad night for many Israelite families. But probably not all the dead and wounded were Israelites. A few of the attackers may have lain dead with the others, and a few, still alive, were captives of the angry Israelites.

It required a while to convey the news of the attack to Moses, whose tent was at the head of the multitude a considerable distance to the south. Moses was greatly troubled. But he wasn't very surprised. He realized that this desert was inhabited by roaming bands of hostile men who were anything but friendly to strangers.

"Bring the prisoners to me at once," Moses said to one of his officers.

Later, some swarthy, bearded men were brought before Moses. Some of them glowered at him hatefully, but two of them were nervous and fearful.

"Hold those two men who seem frightened," Moses told his officers. "Let the others go."

After the other prisoners had been taken away, Moses began questioning the last two. He spoke to them in Egyptian and in Hebrew. And having some knowledge of the peculiar tongue in which the desert people spoke, he tried that language, too. The more he talked to them, the more fearful the prisoners became. Officers who watched and listened were not exactly certain what Moses was saying to the desert men. But before long they were cringing in fear, and were stuttering out answers in a language much like Hebrew.

"Give them water and food and let them go," Moses said.

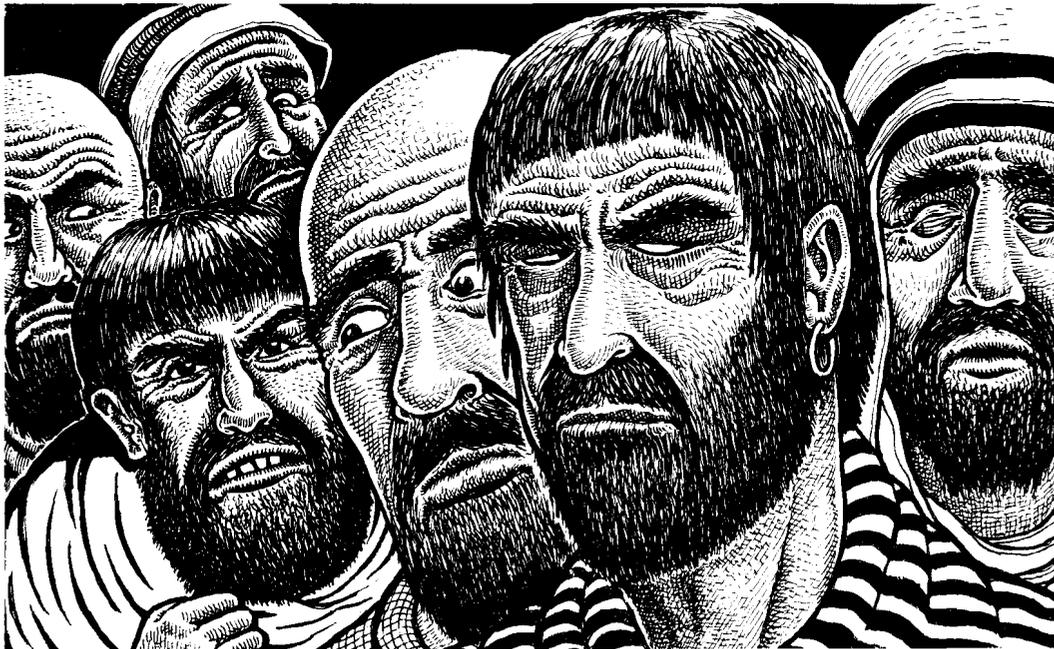
"You are too merciful with these murderers," one of Moses' officers remarked. "They will probably return to their tribe and join others in another bloody attack on us. Wouldn't it have been better to kill them and thus show our enemies that we will show no mercy for anyone who attacks us?"

"I prefer to let them think that we are not a cruel, war-like people," Moses replied. "Perhaps then they will be less likely to use their full strength against us."

"But we don't even know who our enemies are or when they might strike again," another officer spoke up.

"I know," Moses patiently replied. "All I did to find out, was to threaten to send

Some of the swarthy, bearded Amalekite prisoners appeared fearful. Others glowered sullenly at their captors.



those two you just released back to the camp where they were captured—that is, if they didn't answer my questions. Then I learned that our attackers were the Amalekites, desert people who have come down from Esau, the brother of our forefather Jacob. These Amalekites, therefore, are our distant cousins, and it would be good to meet them in peace. However, they are planning another attack tomorrow morning. Our men must take the few weapons we obtained from the drowned Egyptians and be prepared by sunrise to defend ourselves against these Amalekites!”

Joshua Comes on the Scene

A young man named Joshua, a top officer under Moses, was then and there assigned the great responsibility of choosing strong, willing men who had the courage to band together and fight off the Amalekites. Even if Joshua had been given this task days before, it would have been a very difficult duty. But as it was, he had only until sunrise to prepare for battle! (Exodus 17:9.)

By this time, news of the attack had reached all camps. This was quickly followed by messengers asking able-bodied men to report to Joshua at once and bring any kinds of weapons with them.

Before dawn a host of many thousands of men had gathered. Most of them were young, strong and full of zeal for the excitement of battle. Many others were angry and vengeful because of the vicious attack made on the rear camps just a few hours previously. There was no time for any training. All Joshua could do was encourage them to stick together in battle against the enemy.

“I am going to that high ridge over there,” Moses told Joshua, and pointed to a long hill off to the south. “There I will be praying for the people. God revealed to me that I must hold the rod of God High as a token of victory against our enemies, when they attack us again—which they shall surely do.”

Moses and several of his officers and elders went at once to the high vantage point he mentioned. Immediately they spotted hordes of Amalekites off across the desert, moving swiftly toward the Israelite camps. Moses quickly sent a messenger back to Joshua to tell him that the enemy was already on the way.

Thus forewarned, Joshua speedily hid his men in the low spots to the east of the main body of Israelites. When the mounted Amalekites came charging over the desert knolls and rises they found themselves suddenly blocked by thousands of Israelite men. Not only were they blocked, but within seconds they were all but surrounded by the teeming defenders.

The Amalekites wheeled about to flee from this dense multitude of spear wielders. But only a part of them succeeded in escaping. The Israelites, using any weapons they

had, including shepherd's slings and their bare hands, brought down hundreds upon hundreds of the foe from their mounts.

The battle seemed to be over almost as soon as it had begun. The desert was strewn with dead and wounded Amalekites, whereas the Israelites seemed to be unharmed.

Having witnessed the apparent victory, Moses ceased his prayers and with great relief lowered the shepherd's rod he had been holding up while he prayed for the defeat of their foes.

"Look!" Aaron shouted, pointing to the northeast. "They're returning to attack again!"

Moses realized that he had assumed too much in thinking that the foe had been totally overcome. He raised his shepherd's rod again and resumed his fervent prayer for victory.

Again the attackers ran into trouble. The Israelites were ready for them because of a signal from the hill where Moses was. Hundreds and hundreds more Amalekites lost their lives or were too wounded to fight. They fell by the same weapons of war by which the Egyptians had intended to slay the Israelites at the Red Sea, and which had been vomited up by the sea so that the Israelites could be armed for combat to come!

Again it seemed that the Israelites had won out over the Amalekites. Again Moses stopped praying. He let his arms down, thankful for the relief from the physical strain as well as being thankful for God's helping the Israelites to stand fast against their foe.

But no sooner had Moses lowered his arms than the Amalekites charged back for the third time. This time they rushed into the Israelites with such fury that they forced them back dangerously close to their camps.

Perhaps it was then that Moses began to understand that Israel succeeded in battle only when he, Moses, held up his hands in prayer. At last realizing this fact, Moses again prayed diligently and held up his hands in an attitude of begging help from God Almighty.

The result was miraculous. Again the Amalekites fell back before the Israelites and fled away! (Exodus 17:11.)

This is a wonderful example of how Christians should pray when they have problems. Asking just once is often not enough. Sometimes God tests our sincerity by requiring that we be willing to ask several or even many times for the things that we need.

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PEACE is coming in our time!

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Strange as this may sound IT IS TRUE!
Our Western Alliance is collapsing
from within!

Germany Rebuilds for a PURPOSE!

It is now the concerted policy of British and American governments to allow the revival of German military might. They openly admit it could become a threat to world peace. The Germans, of course, know that *alone* they could never expect to gain mastery of the world. Western leaders know this fact also. And that is why they are willing to risk the rearmament of Germany within a United Europe. But what American leaders do not grasp is that Germany has *other* and more far-reaching plans!

Germany is at this moment planning to head a union of nations in Europe in order to gain mastery of America and the world—shocking as this may seem!

Before we reveal these plans, we need to call to mind a report published for official distribution by the Bonn Government in Germany.

Who Killed 2,167,000 Germans?

The title of this official report is "Proposals and Figures on the Economic Rehabilitation of Expellees in Western Germany." It was published by the Advisory Roman Catholic Refugee Council with the Refugee Bishop and with the High Papal Protector of Refugees. In this report it is proved that nearly 12,000,000 Germans were forced to flee into Western Germany from Eastern Europe as a result of the policy of one-time allies America, Britain and Russia.

A map on page four of this publication compares the German problem with what would have happened in the United States if such a policy had been forced upon our land. Most Americans fail to realize the magnitude of the sufferings imposed on post war Germany by these expellees who needed new homes. It can be compared to the forced removal of every man, woman and child from Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Ne-

braska, South and North Dakota into the states east of the Mississippi River but south of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

If this would seem a terrible calamity to us, think how Germany feels. They experienced it!

But what is worse, in the winters before and after the close of the second World War, 2,167,000 Germans perished while attempting to flee. Of these 850,000 were killed or deported by the Russians. But another 1,317,000 perished of cold and hunger because—as many Germans word it—of America's determination to *punish* Germany.

Germany does not hold us guiltless for what happened!

Here now, are *more* surprising facts about the coming United Europe, embodying a union of church and state to bring about "peace" in German style!

Dr. Adenauer's Position Revealed

Germany, despite the indications of the past elections, is secretly playing the same tricks on us today as she did after the first World War. Dr. Adenauer talks openly of cooperation with the West and of a United Europe. But what is not commonly known are his undercover opinions and statements.

In 1949 Dr. Adenauer declared in Berne, Switzerland, that the Allies had "no mandate from the German people to submit to the terms of unconditional surrender." In 1950, he led a mass meeting of Berliners in singing "Deutschland Über Alles" in the presence of Allied representatives.

Before he became Chancellor he admonished his fellow countrymen: "We must move very cautiously. We ought not to give the impression either in Germany or in the United States that WE SHALL COLLABORATE IN ANY WAY WITH THE RUSSIANS."

Notice, these are the statements and acts of a man who professes to be with the West, yet who has the age-old German concept that Germany must unite Europe to complete her mission of world leadership.

The German newspaper "Frankfurter

Allgemeine Zeitung," often considered one of the most influential mouthpieces of Germans and the German government, said in an editorial of June 5, 1952: "The fact that we are tied up with the NATO pact does not make it impossible for Europe, as soon as it is strong enough and the international situation has changed, to become one day independent from every side."

America's defensive wall against Communism in Europe is built on quicksand. We are unaware of the determination of Germany, and of all continental Europe, to be free and independent from the dollar diplomacy of America.

Ex-Nazis Advise German Government

In his book, *Germany Plots with the Kremlin*, published in 1953, T. H. Tetens reveals the startling facts that in Madrid, Spain—the country with which America has concluded treaties—a German Geo-Political Center is established which covertly attempts to mould the foreign and domestic policy of the German government. This group, comprised of "ex-Nazi" business men, military advisers and analysts, publishes a Circular Letter which is a "general staff plan for a new German approach to divide and conquer the world."

The following shocking extracts reveal *how* the Germans are planning underground to fulfill their "mission of world rule."

In answer to the question "Has Germany any obligation towards the United States?" the Madrid Circular Letter says: "It must not be our worry but theirs (America's) if in the last resort their calculations prove to be abysmally stupid. For us the war has never stopped . . . In order to protect Germany against total destruction of its military and economic potentials, as planned at Yalta, we blueprinted a bold plan and created a flexible and smoothly working organization which, at the end of the war, provided the pre-condition for all the gains that by necessity emerged for Germany out of the chaos of the post-war period."

The letter continues to explain that "Economic difficulties will one day plunge the United States down from its

present dizzy heights. Such a catastrophe can be brought about through crafty manipulations and through artificially engineered crises . . . Such a prospect would open tremendous possibilities for the future power position of a bloc introducing a new order in the world"—Germany heading a United Europe!

Now listen to what a German religious publication has to say about Germany's future role in world leadership. In an editorial from the front page of "Christ und Welt," of December 27, 1951, we read: "Continental Europe WOULD BREAK AWAY FROM THE ATLANTIC PACT if the Soviets agree to . . . release not only the Eastern zone of Germany, but the whole of Eastern Europe into a European Union. A United Europe, standing on its own feet and possessing its own powerful army, could begin with *the development of its colonial empire in Africa*. Such a Europe, whatever the ties might be with America, could afford to carry out such an independent policy because it will have the strength of a *THIRD POWER*."

Notice, even religious publications in Germany envision a United Europe, under German leadership, becoming a third power in the world, and also envision the seizure of the British Empire in Africa in order to provide release for Europe's overpopulation. Italy and Germany both need colonies in Africa, and the Germans have never forgotten that the British "stole" her colonies after the first World War. Such are the views of a religious publication about a proposed New Order—a FASCIST New Order!

Conspiracy with the Vatican!

It is time we learned of the secret collaboration between the Nazi Underground and Vatican representatives. The following is a vitally important statement made in this same Madrid Circular Letter: "It must therefore be our (Germany's) supreme duty to place ourselves in the vanguard of the struggle to keep Europe out of any future war. If we succeed in this, we will surely gain the trust of the people and *undisputed leadership in Europe* . . . The world is longing today for the millennium. In the role of champion for peace, we would gain stature in world public opinion . . . Europe would then be

willing to follow *German leadership*. Such a policy can be pursued successfully, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT ATTITUDE OF THE VATICAN. THE POPE IS A REALIST IN POLITICS AND KNOWS WELL ENOUGH, IN THE AGE OF THE ATOM BOMB, THERE IS TOO MUCH AT STAKE FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR EUROPE AS A WHOLE."

Think of it! German leaders professing peace and collaboration with the West in order to build themselves a firm foundation for world conquest—and uniting with the Church in order to cement Europe's quarreling nations into a united front against East and West. Strange as this plot for world control may appear, it is being planned today—and among nations allied with the West!

What America Doesn't Know

The West is asleep even though it thinks it is awake.

Today, America has agreements with such nations as Spain, Italy, Germany and Yugoslavia—all of which are basically non-democratic. We are pouring billions in financial and military aid to them *at the very time they are secretly plotting to stab us in the back*. When will we *wake up* to understand that this world is filled with enemies—MANY enemies—who are plotting to seize world domination which *God placed in our hands* at the close of the last war.

Americans do not understand the psychology of other nations who lust for world control and who are conscious of a mission of world leadership—"Fuehrermission"—as the Germans say. Other nations will stop at nothing to fulfill their aspirations. It is little wonder that Americans and British can't fathom this way of thinking.

In World War II America *found itself involuntarily raised to the dizzy heights of world leadership*. Russia wants to take that leadership from us today and so does Europe!

Prophecy Makes Future Plain

Prophecy reveals to us the development of world history in advance. It reveals that Russia will not be able to launch a World War *now*—though she would if she could. It tells us clearly that the FASCIST system that has fas-

tened itself on Europe for centuries will once again rise to CONQUER AMERICA AND GREAT BRITAIN. But a world that does not accept the Scripture as a Revelation from the Creator—thinks it only a man-made book—cannot *know* what is destined to take place.

Prophecy reveals how Europe will unite under the influence of the Vatican and a revived Germany to destroy the British Empire, how America will be conquered, and finally how there will be another *religious persecution* in order to establish a Fascist New World Order guaranteed by an apostate church to bring "peace."

Russia, instead of conquering America as she now plans, will conquer a revived Fascist German Europe dominated by the Vatican—and how in the closing battles of earth's history human life would be totally annihilated in atom- and hydrogen-bomb warfare UNLESS THE CREATOR SHOULD INTERVENE BY SENDING JESUS CHRIST TO ESTABLISH THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD ON EARTH AND ENFORCE PEACE AT LONG LAST.

These days are more terrible than most realize. The time is ominous. In 15 years this world will be plunging to destruction in order that men might know once and for all time that the Creator RULES and that His laws alone bring peace and happiness.

Then God will finally *bring us peace in our time* by divine intervention.

How plain it is! How imperative is the need that this gospel go to all the world with ever-increasing power bringing the only hope for humanity—the good news of the kingdom of God which will bring peace to a suffering and distraught humanity.

Now that YOU KNOW what is going to happen, now that YOU UNDERSTAND what God has commissioned all of us do, are you going to yield yourself to Him in earnest prayer, in whole-hearted submission, in constant Bible study, in tithes and offerings so that a sick humanity will *remember* the witness of the gospel and finally turn to God—so that those whom God is calling might hear the TRUTH now and turn to Him and *escape* the terrible calamities soon to fall on this earth?

Are you?

The Tenth Commandment

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NOT truly able to be measured by how new or powerful a car you drive, the kind of home you live in, the clothes you wear, or even the food you eat.

Happiness is a state of MIND. It comes from having the very *Spirit* and *mind* of Christ inside your own.

Jesus said: "Foxes have holes, and birds have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head" (Luke 10:58). The love, joy and peace which Jesus exemplified came from *giving* and *SERVING*—not from any material thing Jesus was able to "get."

Jesus, the Son of man, was able to overcome human *vanity* and *covetousness* because He put the service of God FAR AHEAD of anything and everything else. After telling how the unconverted seek after—and *worry about*—the material necessities and comforts, He commanded: "But seek ye FIRST the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33).

The Commandments Join Together

And so at this point the *last* commandment joins hands with the *first*. For *WHATEVER* you seek contrary to God's will, you *covet*. If in your mind and heart you *lust* and *covet* something more than to obey the Creator and receive His blessings, that thing becomes an *IDOL* to you. "Covetousness . . . is *IDOLATRY*" (Col. 3:3).

Then, whatever you idolize you *put in place* of the true GOD. And you *BREAK* the *first* commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me" (Exodus 20:3).

The apostle Paul said: "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servant ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" (Rom. 6:16).

When you begin to *covet* material things, you "serve" them. You spend your *time*, your *energy*, your *money* for these things.

In such a situation, you have neither time nor energy to really *STUDY* the

Bible, or to spend an hour in earnest *PRAYER* before the One who gives you life and breath. And you find yourself being "stingy" and jealous of the money you owe your Maker to finance the proclamation of His truth.

By this simple process, the material things you lust for and *covet* literally become your "GOD." For you truly serve and worship *them*—and find in your life little time, strength and wealth with which to *SERVE* the true God with all of your heart, strength and mind.

Do you see?

Covetousness is a *TERRIBLE* thing—for it *cut you off* from the fellowship and blessings and love of the great God of Heaven who made ALL that is—but intended that this material creation be used in His service and for His glory.

And, in practical daily life, covetousness violates the basic principle of the *WAY OF LIFE* set forth by all the commandments of God and by Jesus Christ Himself. Jesus summarized this principle when He said: "It is more blessed to *GIVE than to receive*" (Acts 20:35).

If you strive to see how much you can *give* to others and *SERVE* them, you will find the true way to happiness and eternal life. You will need to ask God for His help and Spirit. But you will find that this positive approach is the *only* way you will be able to keep the *tenth commandment*.

In learning to lovingly, sincerely and intelligently *serve* your fellow man, and to *serve* and *WORSHIP* the true God, you will find the only real sense of *fulfillment* and *JOY* in this life. And in the *World Tomorrow*, you will be given *eternal life* and *glory* in a Divine government literally based on the principle of *LOVE*, of *giving*, of the joy of *serving* and *contributing* to the lasting happiness of others.

May God help you to follow the example of His Son in *obeying* His Law. And may you, through *surrender* and *obedience*, develop the very character of God. Thus, by His *mercy* through Christ's sacrifice, and through your *surrender* to His will and Law, you may be given everlasting life in the Kingdom of God.

With this article, we have *completed* the exposition of the Ten Commandments—the great spiritual *LAW* which the eternal God set in motion to gov-

ern the relationships of man with God, and man with man. Next month—we will follow this series of articles with a sequel on "The *New Commandment* of Jesus." Be sure to read it.

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listener may heed the warning, or reject it and suffer the consequences of world disaster that is close at hand *now*.

Snubbed by "Devoted Christians"

"At the time I began listening to your program and reading your literature I was a Sunday School Superintendent. Now I am nothing. I resigned the superintendent's job; but after I began to teach my pupils out of the Bible I have been gradually, with a smile, relieved of my other duties. Now that I have changed I have been snubbed several times by ones who considered themselves the most devoted Christians."

Woman from Cushing, Oklahoma

How Would Jesus Vote for PRESIDENT?

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Israel' teaching will object, "we Americans are ISRAEL. Since we are nationally the race of ISRAEL, ought we not to take active part in our nation's affairs?"

We are ISRAEL, yes—but Israel today is not living under God's divine form of government, which is THEOCRACY, but under a *form* of the BABYLONISH SYSTEM.

The governments which have constituted the various stages of the Roman Empire which is "Babylon" have called their particular form of this system "Fascism." We call ours the "republican" form, or, erroneously, "Democracy." But it is a MAN-MADE form of administration of the BABYLONISH SYSTEM.

ISRAEL—the United States, Britain, the "Democracies" of northwestern Europe—modern Israel IS IN BABYLON TODAY, just as prophecy states (Jer. 50:1,4-6, 8, Isa. 48:1,12-20, etc.). It is because of this—*because our sins are increasing*—because we have made alliances with heathen powers instead of relying upon our God—that the Eternal warns us our nations are soon to be invaded and conquered, in order to bring our people back to God (Isa.

47:1-6; Jer. 30:7-16,24; Micah 5:8-11; Ezek. 3:1,4-7,17, 5:12-14; 6:11-14).

Yes, ISRAEL IS IN A "BABYLONISH" SYSTEM today, and GOD CALLS US OUT! (Rev. 18:4, Jer. 50:8; 51:6-9.

Jesus Would Not Take Part

What, then, would Jesus do in this time of presidential election? He would WARN our people Israel: "COME OUT of her (Babylon), my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and *that ye receive not of her plagues!*" The plagues of God are soon to fall upon BABYLON and all who choose to remain a part of "Babylon." JESUS CALLS YOU OUT!

What would Jesus do? HE WOULD BE TOO BUSY PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS OF HIS OWN COMING WORLD-RULING KINGDOM, and the way of salvation, to take any part whatsoever in the politics of this present evil world, or in any man-made form of government that is DOOMED very soon to be destroyed and replaced by the Theocratic government of THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

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How to REAR CHILDREN

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toward successfully achieving the proper goals.

For every 10 known and *counted* delinquents there are 100,000 other children, who, while not necessarily becoming involved with law enforcement agencies, are *not* the decent, respectful, humble and obedient children their parents would like them to be.

In investigating the pressures of our modern day society, let's realize these pressures are affecting *all* of our youth, and not just the select group who has been stigmatized as "juvenile delinquents."

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