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Brother Branham On the Field Again

We received a letter from Rev. William Branham that he is now active again. We received and carried a notice in last month's paper just as we went to press of a 3-day meeting in the Municipal Auditorium at Fresno, Calif.

In his letter he writes that he will be with Rev. F. F. Bosworth in Seattle, Washington, November 2 through the 7th.

LIFE STORY OF BRO. BRANHAM

(Last month Brother Branham told of his birthplace, a log cabin in the mountains of Kentucky not far from the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln. He recalls the poverty of his parents, the privations of childhood and incidents of his early school life, at which time he received a meagre education. This month's issue continues his narrative of childhood events, young manhood and marriage.)

AS TOLD BY
HIMSELF

PART II—
MARRIAGE

I remember when we went out in the old buckboard wagon about twice a month to pay the grocery bill. The grocer would give us some sticks of candy. All of us little boys sitting on blankets out there, would watch that candy when dad brought it out, and every little blue eye would look close to see that each of those sticks were broken exactly even, (Contd. Page 13)

Oakland Civic Auditorium Is Filled in The Return Freeman Meeting

BY REV. IRVING FORD

The Freeman Evangelistic Party has just concluded a glorious two weeks of evangelistic and Divine Healing services at the Civic Auditorium seating 2000. The meetings began on Tuesday with an estimated audience of well over 1000 and throughout the first week, and steadily rose to a peak so that the first Sunday night the auditorium was filled to capacity.

Night after night Brother Freeman, under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, preached powerful messages of real old-time Gospel, but with a winsome spirit that many of the unsaved could not resist, and scores came forward to seek and find the Lord.

The blind and the deaf were invited forward for prayer first and many were the shouts of victory and tears of rejoicing as (Continued on Page 2)

Greatest Revival In Riverside's History

Hundreds Are Turned
Away From Auditorium

(See picture story on page 5)

BY HONORE OSBERG

(The following account of a few of the healings in the Riverside meeting comes to us from Honore Osberg, an eyewitness to several services. The article was in the form of a letter to Sarah Foulkes Moore, co-editor of *The Herald of His Coming*, a splendid publication, and has been sent on to us through her courtesy. *Herald of His Coming* may be obtained by writing Box 3457, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, Calif.)

How I did thank and praise God for opportunity to attend the Freeman Riverside meetings, and to see the mighty power of God working in such a marvelous manner!

My heart rejoiced as I saw the souls responding to the altar call for salvation, Brother Freeman pleading earnestly for them to respond, and praying for each one individually. (Contd. Page 2)



Four deaf mutes after being prayed for in Riverside meeting by Rev. Freeman are able to hear music, and even the tick of a watch. They now raise their hands in praise to God.

Schedule of Freeman Meets

San Francisco, Cal.
—Nov. 3-17, Glad Tidings Temple.
Write Rev. Leland Keys, 1441 Ellis St., San Francisco.

Wichita, Kansas —
Nov. 23-Dec. 5, Arcadia Hall.
Write Rev. J. B. Wolverton, 2219 E. Central, Wichita.

Shreveport, La. —
Dec. 8-12.

Further Reports of Oakland and Riverside Meetings

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Rev. Irving Ford

Oakland

blind eyes were opened and deaf ears were unstopped. Many had the sense of taste and smell restored. Others came forward, hundreds of them suffering from all manners of afflictions. God graciously met and delivered them.

The afternoon services at 2 P. M. were conducted by Rev. Gordon Lindsay and Rev. Leon Hall, both consecrated men of God who left large and successful churches in Oregon to enter wider fields of service. The evening services were glorious and awe-inspiring, the afternoon classes were of incalculable value. I should certainly urge every Christian who has the opportunity, to attend these meetings for the building up of faith and for instruction in receiving and keeping healing. These sessions are truly invaluable and all, including our ministers, received truth from God's word seldom found elsewhere.

The spirit of unity among pastors and people alike was refreshing and very precious. We do appreciate the spirit shown by these servants of the Lord—and we do agree with them whole-heartedly that God is interested in healing the Body of Christ—the great body of believers—as well as in healing individual bodies.

All appreciated the forceful yet humble ministry of Brother Freeman and the party, and the "sane, sensible, spiritual and Scriptural" conduct of the meetings, with their wholesome results. It is the unanimous conviction of all participating that God was in our midst and that the fragrance of the meetings will continue on in many, many hearts until Jesus comes.

Riverside

vidually who came forward, before sending them back to the inquiry room to

pray through. I was very conscious of the power and presence of the Lord in the midst of His people.

I marvelled as I saw the power of God manifest to heal. I have known people who were healed, but never before have I witnessed myself, what I saw in these meetings.

YOUNG MAN, A HOPELESS CASE, RISES FROM STRETCHER

On Saturday night, there was a young man brought in on a stretcher, from an outside town in an ambulance. He had cancer of the blood; his blood vessels were all eaten away, and he could be given no more blood transfusions, for they gave him convulsions. He had the ghostly pallor of death on his face, and he was gaunt and bony and lifeless-looking, except for his eyes, which seemed to have a look of expectancy in them. The air seemed full of suspense, as people prayed and sang choruses. At the front entrance I saw one of the ambulance drivers in his white suit, waiting to carry the young man back. A note was sent up to Brother Freeman that they were waiting for him. After reading this, he signalled for the ushers and two orderlies to carry the young man up to the platform. He was lying there so still, so seemingly lifeless, it did not seem as though he could have strength enough to rise from that cot or stretcher he was lying on.

Brother Freeman talked to him while the congregation was singing. We did not know what he said, but later we heard he asked him if he would rise up after being prayed for. Brother Freeman prayed for him, gave his hand to the young man, and

commanded him to rise in the Name of Jesus Christ—and—he did! What a shout of praise ascended from the congregation! The young man looked up, his face aglow, marvelling himself at the miracle. He lifted first one leg and then the other and shook it, and walked around the platform, and I know that his heart must have been lifted in praise and adoration to God for what He had done. The ambulance drivers or orderlies, I presume they were, stood behind the wings, reverently and in awe. They perhaps thought to carry him down, but the stretcher had been removed, and he walked down himself. They told someone they knew that he was not able to stand—and yet he did!

HEARING AIDS LEFT BEHIND

One night there were perhaps four or five with hearing aids delivered and left their hearing aids behind. Then there was one little girl, who had been deaf from birth. God undertook for her too, and we could see the pleased expression on the little girl's face when she listened to the ticking of Brother Freeman's watch. Brother Freeman clapped his hands behind her back and hearing the noise she began to cry. Another night there was a young girl who had no hearing in her left ear, in fact really had no ear at all, only a piece of flesh there—not a perfectly formed ear and no opening at all. After prayer she was able to hear out of the left side of her head, with the right ear closed up. She repeated words and phrases after Brother Freeman.

BLIND YOUTH RECEIVES SIGHT

One of the most miraculous incidents

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Oakland Bay Area Full Gospel Ministers sponsor Freeman Campaign in Oakland, Calif. Pictured from left to right are: Rev. Fred Atwell, Rev. Silas Gaether, Rev. Ernest Shores, Rev. R. H. Moon, Rev. Irving Ford (chairman of committee), Rev. Gordon Lindsay, Rev. William Freeman, Rev. Leon Hall, Rev. Ellsworth Krogstad, Rev. Winston Nelson, Rev. Dale Dawson, Rev. John K. Hubbard. A number of the ministers' wives are sitting in the front row. Rev. Eleanor Johnson sits second from the left. This was a splendid example of ministers cooperating in a city-wide effort to reach souls,

20,000 People Attended the World's Largest Full Gospel Rally Ever Held, at the Hollywood Bowl, September 29, 1948

History Making Youth Rally

BY REV. LOUIS HAUFF



REV. LOUIS HAUFF, San Bernardino, Calif.

(Since it is the policy of THE VOICE OF HEALING to encourage the unification of the people of God in great efforts to reach the unsaved masses, it is our pleasure to report this history-making union rally which, incidentally, it was the privilege of the editor to attend.)

On Monday evening, September 27, a history-making Full Gospel Youth Rally was enjoyed by 20,000 people at the Hollywood Bowl, Hollywood, California. This, no doubt, was the largest Full Gospel Rally in America, and probably in the world. This meeting had been planned for six months, after the great Rally at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles, March 29, when over 5,000 were turned away after the Shrine was filled with 8,000 people. Interest and enthusiasm had increased as the date drew near and was climaxed by a Bowl packed with people from all over Southern California. Many came from farther distances, with a group coming from the State of Washington. A week of very cool weather was followed by a warm day, which made it comfortable in this open-air meeting. The Lord graciously sent ideal weather for this momentous occasion.

Over 800 Full Gospel Churches in Southern California cooperated with representatives present from the Assembly of God, Church of God, Foursquare, Independent Full Gospel, Pentecostal Church

of God, Pentecostal Holiness, and others.

A number of national officers of the various groups came several thousand miles to be present. Great blessings swept over the vast audience during the service, with the air filled with praises to God and shouts of victory. It was a night long to be remembered by those who had the happy privilege to attend. Chartered buses and local Church busses filled the parking area, with many of them coming several hundred miles for the meeting.

At 7 P. M. the meeting opened with a symphonic band concert, conducted by James Boersma, director of the Angelus Temple Silver Band, and George Baldwin, director of the East Los Angeles Military Band. As the band played every seat in the Bowl was filled. The pledge to the American Flag was led by Claude White, youth leader of the Pentecostal Holiness Churches. An enthusiastic and inspiring song service was led by Harry Myers, National Youth Secretary of the Assemblies of God, with Audrey Mieir at the piano and Paul Mickelson at the organ. Chaplain Howard Rusthoi of the Foursquare Churches gave the official welcome. Bill Lewis, Christ Ambassador President of the Southern California District, and co-chairman of the Rally, presented the various church and youth leaders who were present. Words of greeting were given by many of them.

Outstanding choir selections were given by a combined youth choir arranged and conducted by Audrey Mieir. The grand finale number, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," was sung by the combined youth choirs, a mixed quartette, and special singing by a girls' trio on the hillside above the Bowl, and a male quartette on the hill on the opposite side of the Bowl. This was accompanied by the Symphonic Band and the Carillonic Bells. Various colored lights were played upon the platform over which was a huge sign, "Christ Is the Answer." Harold Chalfant, International Director of the Foursquare Crusaders and co-chairman of this rally, spoke of plans for future rallies of this sort.

The inspiring and convincing message of the evening, "The Answer for the Youth Problem," taken from the text, "Christ Is All," was brought by Ray Hughes, outstanding youth evangelist of the Church of God, from Cleveland, Tennessee. The blessing of the Lord was upon the ministry of the Word, and God confirmed it with a glorious altar service. As the invitation was given, hundreds responded for salvation and deeper experiences in the Lord. 1500 trained personal workers were in their places ready to assist those who were hungry to seek the Lord. Eternity alone will reveal the great work accomplished in this inspiring, history making Youth Rally.



Ministers, choir and orchestra at the Hollywood Bowl Rally, September 29, 1948.

IS HEALING FOR ALL?

*Condensed From F. F. Bosworth's Book,
"Christ the Healer."*

Is it the will of God to heal all who have need of healing, and to fulfill the number of our days? The greatest barrier to faith of many seeking healing is the uncertainty in their minds as to whether it is the will of God to heal *all*. Nearly everyone knows that God heals *some*. But there is much modern theology that keeps people from knowing what the Bible clearly teaches—that healing is provided for *all*.

Faith begins where the Will of God is known. If it is the will of God to heal only some of those who need healing, then none have any basis for faith unless they have a special revelation that they are among the favored ones. Appropriating faith is not believing God can, but God will.

A CORRECTED THEOLOGY

Among those who sought healing in the days of Christ's earthly ministry was the leper who said, "Lord if thou wilt thou canst make me clean." The first thing that Christ did was to correct his theology by saying, "I will, be thou clean." There is no doctrine more clearly taught in the Scriptures than that it is God's Will to heal all who have need of healing, and that they may fulfill the number of their days. Someone may say, "If healing is for all then we shall never die." But Divine healing goes no further than the Bible promise. God does not promise that we will never die, but He says, "I will take sickness away from the midst of thee . . . the number of days I will fulfill" (Exodus 23:25,26). Now the days of our years are threescore and ten (Psm. 90:10). Take me not away in the midst of my days (Psm. 102:24).

The Rev. P. Gavin Duffy writes on this point:

"He has allotted to man a certain span of life, and His Will is that life shall be lived out. I want you to recall that all those He called back from the dead were YOUNG PEOPLE who had not lived out their fullness of years; and in that very fact we may well see His protest against premature death . . . of course, we may not expect that the old shall be physically young, but if the allotted span has not been spent we have a right to claim God's gift of health; and even though it be past, if it be His will that we should continue here for some time longer, it is equally His will that we should do so in good health."

READ THE WILL AND KNOW

If we would know what is in a will let us read the will. If we would know God's will on a subject, let us read His will. Suppose a lady should say, "My hus-

band who was very rich, has passed away; now I wish I knew whether he left me anything in the will." I would say to her, "Why don't you read the will and see?" The word "Testament" legally speaking, means a person's will. The Bible contains God's last will and testament, in which He bequeaths to us all the blessings of redemption; and since it is His last will and testament, *anything later is a forgery*. A man never writes a new will after he is dead. If then it is said that the days of miracles are past, it is virtually saying that the will is no good after the death of the testator. Jesus is not only the testator who died; He was resurrected, and is also the mediator of the will. He is our lawyer so to speak, and He will not beat us out of the will as some earthly lawyers do. He is our representative at the right hand of God.

God has not left His people in ignorance of His will. In the 15th chapter of Exodus He revealed His Redemptive Name, Jehovah Rapha, translated, "I am the Lord that healeth thee." This is God's Word, "settled in heaven," a never changing fact concerning God. And God is "I am" Jehovah Rapha, not "I was" Jehovah Rapha. Who has authority to change God's Redemptive names? Instead of abandoning His office as Healer, He is "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever."

HEALING IN THE PSALMS

The Psalmist David, in his time, understood healing to be a universal privilege. In the 103rd Psalm we see that he believed that the mercy of healing was as universal a privilege as the mercy of forgiveness. He calls upon his soul to bless God, "Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thy diseases." "Who forgiveth all" is as permanent as "Who healeth all," for the identical language is used in reference to both mercies.

Now the question may well be asked of those who teach that it is not God's will to heal today, "Why would God withdraw this Old Testament mercy from this better dispensation?" Should not He who is the same yesterday, today and forever, continue these same mercies through this better dispensation?

JESUS BORE OUR SICKNESSES

Many today say, "I believe in healing, but I do not believe it's for everyone." If it is not how can we pray the prayer of faith for any, or even for one, until we have a revelation by the Spirit that we are praying for the right one? If it is not God's will to heal all, then no man can ascertain the will of God Himself from the Bible. Are we to understand from these teachers that we must close our Bibles and get our revelation direct from the Spirit, before we can pray for the sick,

because the will of God cannot be ascertained from the Scriptures? How did the friends of those who were sick in the days of Christ know which ones to bring to Him for healing? "Now when the sun was setting, ALL they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto Him; and He laid hands on everyone of them and healed them" (Luke 4:40). All were healed. If you had been there and were sick, you would have been brought, and would have been healed the same as the others. Matthew in his record tells why Jesus made no exceptions.

"He healed them all, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses." (Read Matt. 8:14-17).

CHRIST HEALED ALL

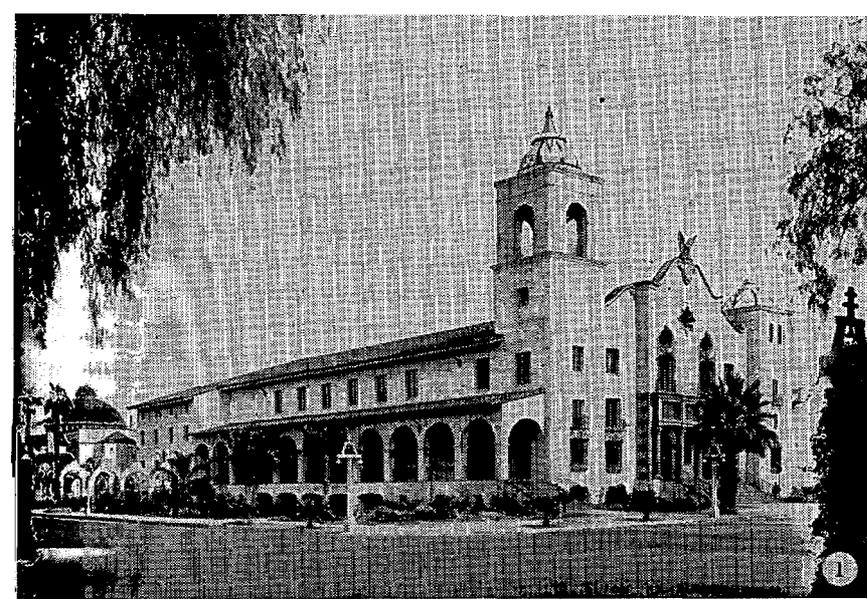
We see throughout the Gospels that in bringing the sick to Christ for healing, it was repeatedly stated that they brought them ALL. If according to modern tradition, it is God's will for the sick to remain so for His glory, is it not strange that there should be not even one of this class in all the multitudes brought to Christ for healing? By healing the epileptic (Mark 9:14-29) Jesus proved it to be the Father's will to heal even this one whom the disciples divinely commissioned to cast out demons, failed to deliver. Jesus in healing him, shows that failure proved nothing but unbelief.

Many in our day have taught that Christ performed miracles of healing just to show His power and prove His Deity. This may be true, but it is far from being all the truth. He would not have to heal all to show His power; a few outstanding cases would prove this. But the Scriptures show that He healed because of His compassion and to fulfill prophecy. Others teach that He healed the sick to make Himself known, but in Matt. 12:15,16, we read: "Great multitudes followed them, and He healed them all, and charged them that they should NOT MAKE HIM KNOWN."

GOD'S USE OF BODILY AFFLICTION

If sickness, as some think, is the will of God for His faithful children, then it is a sin for them to desire to be well, to say nothing of spending thousands of dollars to defeat His purpose. I truly thank God for all the help that has ever come to sufferers through the physician, through the surgeon, the hospital and the trained nurse; but if sickness is the will of God, then to quote one writer: "Every physician is a law-breaker; every nurse is defying God Almighty; every hospital is a house of rebellion, instead of a house of mercy," and instead of supporting hospitals, we ought to do our utmost to close every one. If this modern theology is true that God

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A NIGHT IN THE FREEMAN HEALING CAMPAIGNS

(Photos taken by Harry D. Gill, 3071 Crescent, San Bernardino, Calif.)

1. The municipal auditorium located at Seventh and Lemon Streets, Riverside, California. Seating capacity was one-third filled the first night. The auditorium was filled by the sixth night. After that many hundreds were turned away.

2. As Rev. Freeman approaches the building he discovers that it has been filled to capacity by five o'clock, with a multitude standing on the outside unable to get in. He begins to pray for the sick on the front steps. (Brother Freeman may be seen in the center background.)

3. Inside the auditorium are approximately 2,000 people. Perhaps as many more were denied admittance. After bringing a message of salvation, Rev. Freeman gives a call for sinners to come forward. (See photo No. 6.) In the two services of this day, approximately 175 respond, for whom Brother Freeman prays personally. With the altar call completed and after a few minutes of instruction to those who are to be prayed for, Brother Freeman begins to pray for the worst cases—the deaf, blind, dumb, cancer, T. B. and those on cots. A girl with one eye completely blind has just been prayed for. The good eye is shut off, and the girl now identifies the thumb of Brother Freeman's hand. She also is able to count the number of fingers raised.

4. A completely deaf child is prayed for and now listens to the tick of a watch for the first time. Note the expression of pleasure upon the face of the boy, who apparently is a very intelligent lad.

5. A girl entirely deaf, but who can read lips, is brought up for prayer. Instantly, she is delivered and can now hear the music. The audience notes that she is able to repeat words spoken from the side where lip-reading is impossible. Notice the expression of amazement and joy upon the face of the lady who brought the girl, as she now realizes that the girl can hear.

6. This is the scene described in No. 3.

7. By this time many glorious scenes which we haven't space to record have been witnessed. A woman who has been operated upon for cancer a few days before, and given up as hopeless, has been prayed for and left her cot. A little child born blind is able to see and reach for an object in Brother Freeman's hand. A woman receives the sense of taste and smell. Numbers of deaf and dumb people hear and utter sounds for the first time. It is now long past 11 P. M., but there are many yet to be prayed for. The line files past Brother Freeman as he continues to pray for the afflicted.

(Note: Not all these scenes were snapped on the same night.)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON DIVINE HEALING

(The purpose of this column is to give help to those who have special problems or questions concerning deliverance from sickness and affliction. If you have a question that is of sufficient general interest, the answer will be printed in this column. We cannot enter into discussions of controversial theological subjects, but we shall try to make this column a practical help to those in physical need. Address such questions to "Question and Answer Editor, The Voice of Healing, Box 4097, Shreveport, La." All letters must be signed, but writer's name will be withheld upon request.)

QUESTION: If one has the Gifts of Healing, is it necessary for the individual who is prayed for to have faith?

ANSWER: Many people have the idea that if one has the Gifts of Healing, he may go about healing indiscriminately. This is far from true. A certain degree of faith is always required. Without faith it is impossible to please God. Faith is not something into which we are educated, but rather it is natural to the human being until he gets old enough to drift into sin or to mingle with unbelievers and that natural faith is lost. Children generally have sufficient faith to be healed. Older people are more shrewd, more sophisticated, more worldly wise. They need Biblical instruction in order to rebuild their faith. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

There is no doubt that Paul had Gifts of Healings, and perhaps the Working of Miracles (Acts 19:11); but he did not attempt to heal everyone. When he saw the lame man at Lystra, it was only when he perceived "that he had faith to be healed" that he said, "Stand upright on thy feet."—Acts 14:8-9.

Jesus certainly possessed the Gifts of Healings and Miracles in their most perfect manifestation. Yet in unbelieving Nazareth, "he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them."—Mark 6:5.

QUESTION II: Why does the Scripture speak of Gifts of Healing in the plural? Is one Gift given to one person and another Gift of Healing given to another person?

ANSWER: No. I Cor. 12:9 plainly states that the Gifts of Healing are given to one person . . . "to another gifts of healing by the same Spirit." It is evident that the various gifts are given to effect deliverance from the various types of affliction. In watching the ministry of different ones to whom God has given Gifts of Healing, one observes at times that certain types of affliction go more readily than others. This is because of the fact that with some, the

ministry of certain of the Gifts is more highly developed. If the individual will continue to seek God and exercise faith, he will find that all the Gifts will function equally well. The casting out of demon spirits, the giving of sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, deliverance from inward afflictions, healing of skin diseases, require various manifestations and operations of the Gifts of Healing. The Gifts are developed and perfected through use. That is why Paul admonished Timothy to "stir up the Gift of God which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."—I Tim. 1:6.

QUESTION III: Does God heal sinners?

We like Evangelist Carl Henry's brief answer which is very much to the point but covers the question. "There is only one promise for the sinner: 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you' (Matt. 6:33). Healing is primarily the children's bread. There have been instances where God has healed unsaved persons, but He has not promised to do so. Thus the sinner cannot expect God to answer prayer for him unless he is willing to meet the requirements."

It is sin that has brought sickness into the world. For one to seek relief from the

penalty of sin, without turning from sin is like one who seeks to be relieved from the pain of arsenic poisoning while he continues to swallow arsenic.

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ACCOUNT OF RIVERSIDE FREEMAN MEETING

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to me, was seeing a blind young man receive his sight. I do not believe that he could have been much more than 17 or 18, and he had such a sweet face. He had been there in the afternoon meeting, sitting just in front of us with an older woman. They both went up for salvation in the afternoon, and he first received his spiritual sight. He went on the platform, led by a woman, I suppose his mother. Brother Freeman prayed for him, then he waved his hand in front of the boy and asked him to follow the direction of his hand, and you could see his head move from side to side as Brother Freeman's hand moved. He then moved his hand up and down and the boy's head moved up and down. He then asked the boy if he could see the lights in the auditorium. The boy replied that he could, so Brother Freeman asked him to point them out. The large congregation was almost breathless as one by one, he pointed out the different locations of the lights. As he did it the boy seemed to be filled with wonder at this mighty thing which God had done for him. He seemed lost in amazement and gratitude. Oh I know how I would feel myself!

Another came up with a tumor on his shoulder, and while he was prayed for

the tumor melted away. Another girl with cross eyes had her eyes straightened and was healed of arthritis. For years she had been unable to play the piano and the next afternoon she played for the meeting. A woman testified she had been prayed for, and God had lengthened her leg.

Another little girl had the bone for the hip bone socket missing, and the case was supposed hopeless. Brother Freeman held her in his arms, and then put her on the platform. Have you ever seen anyone hold a little puppy in their arms and then put it down? If you have you will know how they will run and scamper away. This is how the little girl did. If you could have seen her so limp and seemingly without vitality a few minutes before, and then seen her straight, and to see her running, you too would have marvelled at the mighty power of God.

There were many other mighty things done, but I have only written in detail of a few which impressed me the most. I am so hungry to see this world-wide revival break forth. As I was in those meetings, and could see the mighty moving of God, I felt encouraged in my heart to believe that these are some of the "mercy drops" before the flood, He will pour out upon His people.

HOW GOD GAVE ME A DIVINE HEALING MINISTRY

BY REV. ORAL ROBERTS (Condensed from *Healing Waters Magazine*)

My people have always known that I was to be specially used of God. One day my dear father, a minister of the Gospel, came to me and said, "Son, when you are grown you will conduct revivals in the largest auditoriums in the nation, and you will minister to the people." I pondered that statement in my heart, little realizing what I would have to go through before this came to pass.

In my childhood I was dubbed "Preacher" by my playmates. This name became distasteful to me, particularly when it was said in derision by the bully of the crowd. Many times I left the crowd in tears when they made me the topic of their conversation as the "Preacher."

While I knew I was "marked" by the Lord, I was deeply ambitious for a worldly career, having set my heart on a university education and a law career. I can see now how all this training was in the plan and purpose of God. I left home at an early age to work my way through school. It was then that I became sick.

THE DREAD PALL OF TUBERCULOSIS

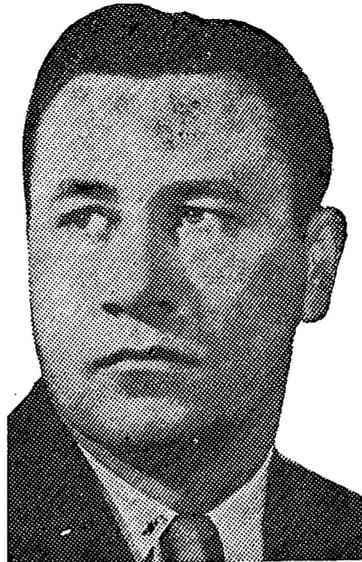
Tuberculosis has hung like a pall over my mother's people. Several of my mother's family died by this dread disease. When I took sick they all knew that it was T.B. They declared that I would die as the others had done. But my father and mother stoutly claimed that God's hand was upon me and would raise me up.

While I was away from home, my parents had prayed, "O God, bring our boy home at any cost. Don't let the world have him, he was born to be a preacher." Their prayers brought me home but not in the way they had expected. For five months I hovered between life and death, being under the care of three doctors. One day while I was taking some bitter medicine, I choked and came near dying. When I came to myself, I was screaming, "I'll never take another dose of that stuff; if I'm going to die let me die." I felt the end was near.

One night my father came to me and said, "Son, you must give your heart to God. I am not going to prayer meeting tonight but intend to stay at your bedside until I hear from heaven." My parents knelt and prayed and tears rolled down their cheeks. Father got up and came near me and knelt directly beside the bed, laid his hand upon me and poured out all the pent-up emotion of his soul. Up until this time I had been unmoved and untouched. But now I felt a strange feeling go through me, and when I looked up into his face I saw Jesus.

GOD SAVES ME

I began to cry and pray. It was hard, so very hard for I had done some things for which I had to make restitution. I told God that I would make the wrongs right if he would save me. I became hoarse and



Oral Roberts

finally in a small whisper I told God that I would preach. Something struck my feet, coming up through my body, a light filled the room and before I realized it I was standing upright in bed and leaping and shouting. But I was not healed. Gradually I grew weaker and weaker and more despondent.

Arrangements were made to send me to the State T. B. Sanatorium. About this time my brother attended a Divine healing service in Ada, Oklahoma. He began telling us of all the sick people that had been healed and my parents began to rejoice. Mama said, "Son, I have told you all along that God would not let His child die: God is going to heal you."

GOD SPEAKS TO ME—I AM HEALED

My brother placed his arms under my mattress and carried me tenderly to the car, and with my parents he drove off to the meetings. That Voice which I have heard many, many times since said, "I am going to heal you and you are to make me a promise that you will give me your life and take healing to the suffering people." A sweet assurance filled my soul.

That night I was the last one prayed for, and while my parents held me up, Brother Muncie laid his hands upon me in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, and there just as the Voice promised me—the healing power surged through me and I was healed.

I BEGIN TO PREACH

It took me time to recover and regain my strength, but two months later I was conducting my first revival behind the schoolhouse four miles from Ada. I went through some very rigorous exertions and sufferings, and I found that I had been really healed. However, I soon discovered that it is one thing to promise God a ministry of deliverance and another thing to be that minister. I spent several years

preaching in the accepted manner of dealing principally with souls, doing very little for the sick and afflicted.

THE CRISIS—THE CRY OF THE SUFFERING

The crisis came in May 1947. God gave me several dreams and visions. I relived my deathbed struggles, once more I felt the body-shooting pains and the salty blood from my lungs. Then I heard it! The call of the sick and the suffering. It came from a distance and then very near, and I could see them! Bloodshot eyes, quivering hands, wasted bodies—stricken humanity. The ones Jesus loved enough to die for, the ones whose disease Jesus "took and bare." Like the roar of a great waterfall, the cry of the people swept over me. I heard it in my bed, I heard it in the pulpit, I heard it in the classroom.

GOD GIVES ME MINISTRY OF DELIVERANCE

My precious companion knew what was troubling me and she encouraged me to keep the promise made to God. I told her, "Don't prepare another meal for me until I tell you. I have got to settle this thing with God." One day while out in a secret place in prayer, I lay stretched out on the floor, face forward, promising God that I would remain there until He gave me deliverance from fear, and assurance of power to heal the sick and cast out demons. Sweat broke out all over me and I appeared to be in a daze. Then I heard the Promise again. I was impressed to arise and get in my car and drive. As I rounded the first corner, these words were spoken to me, "From this hour you will heal the sick and cast out devils."

I LAUNCH OUT

Knowing that this was the call of God, I launched out in a healing ministry. First in an extended campaign in Georgia where Mildred Wicks was pastor. The sick were brought from distant towns and preachers from all over Georgia attended. From there I went to Tulsa, Oklahoma, under a big tent. This meeting which was to last six days continued for nine weeks. Like a whirlwind this ministry has grown . . . the radio, the printed page, the spoken word, the ministry of anointed handkerchiefs sent to those whom I could not reach in person, the office, workers, equipment for the summer's work: new trucks, trailers, seats, organ, schedules in America's leading cities . . . all this has come like a dream.

GOD DEALS WITH ME AGAIN

Then the Lord dealt with me again. This time directly in the healing line. Part of this is a secret between the Lord and His servant, but I can tell you this—God spoke to me that He was going to use my right hand and that I would know when the disease left and that I was to enter into the second phase of the ministry of deliverance.

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An Opportunity to Spread The Gospel of Deliverance

From the many letters that have reached us, we are pleased to conclude that *The Voice of Healing* is filling an important place in bringing to the knowledge of people the great work that God is doing amongst His people in the closing days of this age. We are thankful to report a circulation which has during the past six months of the magazine's existence reached a level far beyond what we dared to hope. From month to month we hope to improve or add to the features that it contains; that it may continue to be an inspiration and blessing to all who read it.

We have received numerous requests from the sick and people in the hospitals, for copies of *The Voice of Healing*. Some are unable to afford its small cost.

Others wish to distribute copies in hospitals and among the sick. For example, we have just received a letter from our dear friend, Rev. R. Dawson of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, who asks: "I would like to get a price on monthly rolls of 50 for free distribution, so kindly let me know the price." It does seem that those who give freely of their time to visit the sick and needy, should not have to bear the expense of purchasing the magazines. It is our desire to give them free to those who cannot afford to pay for them.

The magazine itself is sold at a close margin, in fact at less than cost. Anyone familiar with the cost of publishing a 16-page periodical of this size and quality (which is equivalent to a 50-page book) knows that there is no profit in publishing it at this price. The editor and co-editor are glad to contribute their labor and efforts. If, therefore, our readers wish to assist us in the spread of this glorious gospel of deliverance, we shall be happy to receive offerings for this purpose. One dollar will enable us to send free fourteen copies. Seven dollars will pay for 100 cop-

The Call of God

(This beautiful poem was given by the
Spirit to John G. Lake in Chicago,
July, 1913).

Out of the darkness of night have I
called thee,
Into the glorious light of the day,
Into the knowledge of God's own sal-
vation,
Entered through Jesus, the Truth, Light
and Way.

He who hath planted within thine own
bosom
Conscious salvation through Jesus the
Lord,
Now waits to see the result of the ransom
Fulfilled in thee through the Spirit and
Word.

Yield then thy being, like Him, thine
own Master,
His way for thee is the way of the cross,
Perfected He, e'en through sorrow and
suffering,
Obedient ever, even to death.

Here as with Him is the secret of victory,
That having died, from the grave He
arose,
In the new life of power divine and
majestic,
Triumphing over death, hell and all foes.

Ascending upward above all the heavens
Into the realms of glory divine,
Reigning as Conqueror, sending His
Spirit,
Abiding ever in your heart and mine.

Thus in our nature the Spirit of con-
quest,
Presses us forward in God's Holy War,
Advancing, compelling, delivering, de-
stroying
All powers of darkness wherever they
are.

Through death to the victory, through
trial to conquest,
Through suffering to glory, dominion
and power.
Thus Calvary ever becomes the door
opened.
To Jesus, to Heaven, to discipleship now.

Forthcoming Meetings

ORAL ROBERTS CAMPAIGNS

Dallas, Texas—October 23-Nov. 7.
Cleveland, Ohio—November 17-28.
Evansville, Indiana—Dec. 10-14.
For information write: *Healing Waters*,
Box 2187, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

E. L. SLAVENS CAMPAIGNS
Rochester, New York—November.
Write Rev. R. E. LeMons, 45 Jones St.,
Rochester, New York.

ies. It would delight us if God made it possible to send a free subscription to every missionary. We are asking our readers to pray about this matter. Offerings for this purpose shall be gratefully received.

Back Copies of The Voice of Healing

Calls are coming to us for back copies of *The Voice of Healing*. Because of the lasting interest of the articles contained we find that many people are keeping the back copies in a file. We regret that we must announce that we have no back copies of *The Voice of Healing* with the exception of the August, September and October issues. We advise those who wish to keep a file of this magazine secure a binder for the same. A convenient binder may be obtained from any stationery store.

Is Healing For All?

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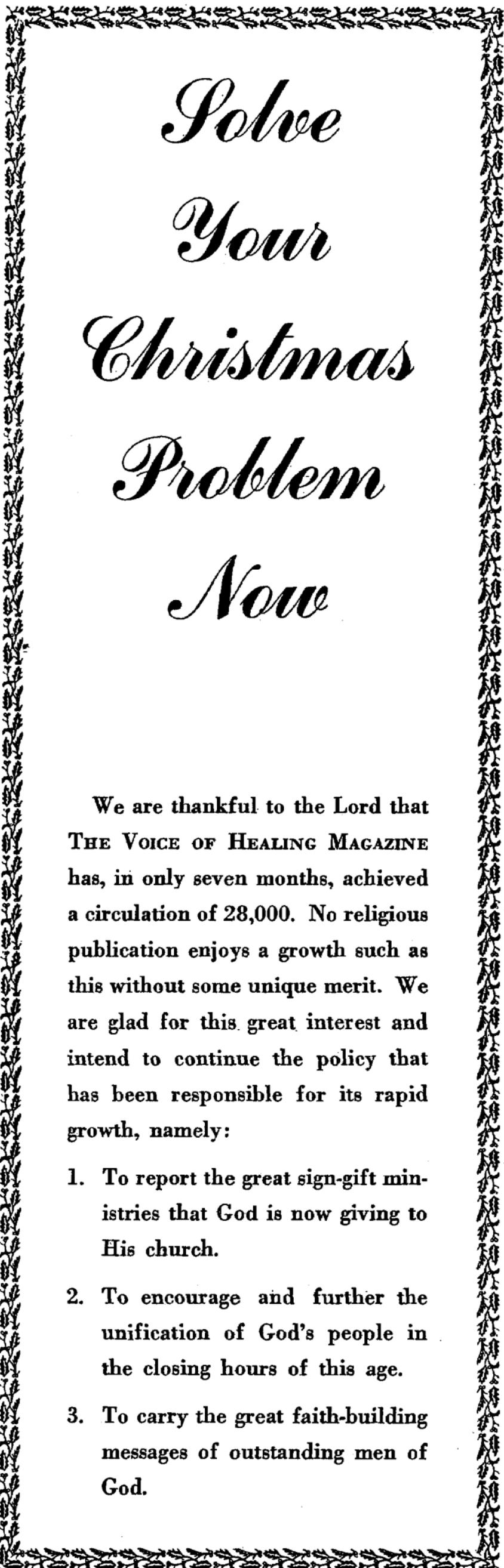
wants some of His worshippers to remain sick for His glory, then Jesus during His earthly ministry never hesitated to rob the Father of all the glory He could by healing all that came to Him. The Holy Spirit, too, robbed Him of all the glory He could by healing all the sick in the streets of Jerusalem. And Paul, too, robbed God of all the glory He could by healing all the sick on the island of Melita.

GOD DOES CHASTEN HIS PEOPLE

Does not God sometimes chasten His people through sickness? Decidedly yes! When we disobey God, sickness may be permitted, through the Father's loving discipline; but God has told us how it may be averted and avoided. "If we judge ourselves we should not be judged, but when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world" (I Cor. 11:31,32). These chastenings come to save us from final judgment; but when we see the cause of the chastening, and turn from it, God promises it shall be withdrawn. By self-judgment we may avoid chastening. Divine healing is not unconditionally promised to all regardless of their conduct. It is for those who believe and obey (Psm. 25:10).

Send All Correspondence Relative To This Paper to Shreveport Office

We wish all our subscribers to feel at liberty to write us about any complaint or question regarding the delivery of their paper. If you fail to receive any issue of the paper, be sure to write us as there are several factors which govern its safe delivery. We are very careful to fill all orders received, but there is the possibility that your letter does not reach us, or that something happens in the mails after the paper leaves our office. Also, illegible handwriting may cause our address plates to be incorrect. Please refrain from sending complaints to any address other than that of the Shreveport office.



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We are thankful to the Lord that **THE VOICE OF HEALING MAGAZINE** has, in only seven months, achieved a circulation of 28,000. No religious publication enjoys a growth such as this without some unique merit. We are glad for this great interest and intend to continue the policy that has been responsible for its rapid growth, namely:

1. To report the great sign-gift ministries that God is now giving to His church.
2. To encourage and further the unification of God's people in the closing hours of this age.
3. To carry the great faith-building messages of outstanding men of God.

4. To report the remarkable testimonials of healing and deliverance taking place currently.
5. To report also the latest prophetic developments as they point to the soon coming of Christ.



A Christmas Gift With Eternal Value

Can you think of a better gift for a friend, and at such a small investment, than one which might mean the healing of his body or the salvation of his soul, thereby paying eternal dividends on your investment. Your gift will be received and appreciated anew each month of the year, and you will be thanked for your thoughtfulness time and again as this faith-building magazine sows the good seed of the gospel in the hearts of your friends and their families. Before you forget it, list plainly the names and addresses of each of your friends that you wish **THE VOICE OF HEALING** to be sent to, enclosing one dollar for each one, and we will send a Christmas greeting card, notifying them of your gift to them.

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MIRACLES OF HEALING

Testimonies of Miracles of Deliverance in the Freeman Healing Meetings

Healed Without Individual Prayer

Dear Brother Freeman:

I shall never forget the night of October 6. I had such a severe pain in my neck. I was in the line and it seemed that you would never get to me. But suddenly you stopped praying in the line, and said that you were going to pray for the whole multitude of sick folk. As you did the power of the Lord struck me and I was healed.

Two more who were riding with me that night were healed also. So you see God is doing an even greater work than you know.

Mrs. Ada McKinnon
3502 Crestmore Road
West Riverside, Calif.

Healed by General Prayer For Audience

Dear Brother Freeman:

I praise the Lord for the wonderful deliverance I have had from sinus trouble. On Tuesday night, October 5, 1948, you prayed for the people in the audience and I was healed in my seat.

The odor of paint used to cause intense pain in my sinus and made my eyes swell. Last night I slept in a room where doors were freshly painted and it didn't bother me at all. It is joy unspeakable to see the deliverance wrought by the Lord through your ministry.

Thelma Snelgrass
272 N. Calahash
Fontana, Calif.

Girl Born Without Ear Hears

Dear Brother Freeman:

I thank the Lord for a wonderful miracle. I was born with only one ear. The right one was folded down underneath my skin, and I couldn't hear anything out of it. But when Brother Freeman prayed for me, the Lord instantly gave me my hearing. I can even hear a lady's tiny wrist-watch tick. I give all the praise to the Lord.

Mary Ann Russel
180 Magnolia Ave.
San Bernardino, Calif.

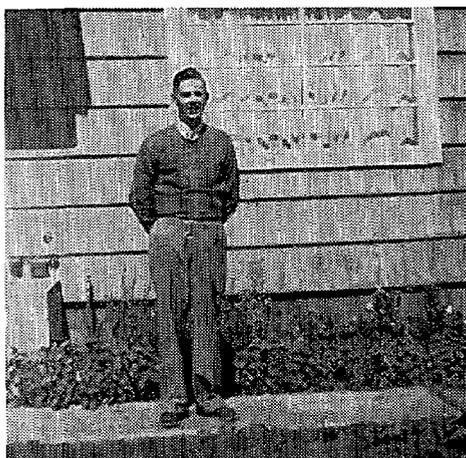
Editor's note: This was one of the first miracles of the Riverside, California, meeting. The congregation was mightily stirred when they witnessed this great healing. Mary Ann was back later in the meeting to testify again to what God had done for her.

Cancer of Stomach Passed

Dear Bro. Freeman:

I am the man that had the cancer of the stomach you prayed for in Vallejo. You told me in four or five days I would be sick, and I was. But after that I felt it tear loose and open up. I thank the Lord that I have no cancer now. I am sound and well, and I have gained 16 lbs. May God bless you is my prayer.

Mr. Charlie Jones
320 Miss. St.
Vallejo, California.



Jack Owens, Jr.

Dear Brother Freeman:

I graduated last May from the Arkansas school for the deaf. My father and mother are both deaf. I came to Springfield, Oregon, last June to live with my sister.

I heard that Rev. Freeman was coming to Cottage Grove and Mr. William Coghurn took me there. I was healed, and now I can hear trains, airplanes and cars; my only trouble is that I can't understand what people say as I have never heard before. I will have to learn the meaning of words. I thank God so much that Rev. Freeman came to Cottage Grove to be used of God.

I wrote to my parents about my hearing. They were very surprised and happy. My Dad told Mr. Albert Middleton, whose wife had a bad cancer, about it. He phoned Rev. Freeman in California. He got on an airplane and went to pray for her. That night he preached and prayed for people at Union Mission Church. He prayed for my Dad and clapped his hands behind his ears to see if he could hear. He could hear it very easily several feet away, and could hear the piano, but could not understand people speaking. I am so thankful for Brother Freeman and God.

JACK OWENS, JR.
3857 Virginia Street
Springfield, Oregon

Short Leg Lengthened

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
Aug. 20, 1948

I want the world to know what Christ's Blood can do today—all things are possible for those who believe all of the Word of God. At Brother W. W. Freeman's meeting in Grant's Pass, Oregon, I received overnight, healing of neuritis and a spinal injury which caused one leg to be shorter than the other. Also a double hernia is almost entirely healed. But I witnessed so many healings of the deaf, dumb and blind and those who had cancers that my own healing seemed as nothing in comparison.

It is my prayer that they will not be as the ten lepers, nine of whom forgot to thank our Lord and Saviour. You may send this testimony to The Voice of Healing if you think they could use it. I am very burdened for souls out here in Hawaii. How we need Brother Freeman's ministry out here to show people the power of God.

Dorothy Williams
care M. V. B. Williams
Duty 128 care F. P. O.
San Francisco, Calif.

Couldn't Afford Operation, The Lord Healed Her

October 2, 1948

Dear Brother Freeman:

I want to thank God for healing my body of female trouble. A doctor examined me a few months ago and said I needed an operation that would cost \$500. I was unable financially to go through with it. I was getting much worse the last few weeks, and was wondering what in the world I would do. I praise God for the privilege of attending the Freeman meetings. Brother Freeman prayed for me and God healed me. My faith has been greatly increased by the wonderful things God has been doing in these meetings.

Mrs. Florence M. Botts
259 E. 11th St.
San Bernardino, Calif.

Undulant Fever and Arthritis Gone

Dear Brother Freeman:

I came back to God Wednesday night in the Riverside meeting. Thursday night you prayed for me. I had undulant fever, arthritis in all joints and the base of the skull, which caused fainting spells. Since that there has been no fainting spells and the ankle bones show for the first time in eight years. I am able to eat a full meal now. Thank the Lord.

Mrs. Helen Bown
Dagget, Calif.

The Third in a Series of the Gospel of Healing Classics

THIS MOMENTOUS HOUR

BY DR. CHAS. S. PRICE, CONDENSED BY DEL GRANT

(The conversion of Dr. Charles S. Price, prince of preachers, from modernism to a gospel ministry that perhaps reached millions is a thrilling episode in the history of Christianity, paralleling almost the conversion of St. Paul. Dr. Price's first great healing campaign was conducted in the year 1922 in the city of Ashland, Oregon, where, incidentally, the editor was pastor a number of years later. Tentative arrangements had been made in the summer of 1946 for Brother Price to return to the community where his great evangelistic ministry began. Death intervened.)

In this remarkable message given shortly before his home-going, he visioned in the Spirit another and final great revival. He did not live to see it; both he and Smith Wigglesworth departed this life at about the same time. Undoubtedly what our brother saw is now coming to pass.)

This is one sermon in which it will be very hard for me to find a text. So for this sermon we are to depart from the accepted and traditional methods and ask the Holy Spirit's guidance and His glorious illumination of the truth rather than a homiletical exposition of a particular verse or phrase.

Now I warn you that Truth hurts! It burns! It consumes! It reveals the shamefulness of pride and lets us know how full of vanity is the vaunted wisdom of man. In the 30th and 31st chapters of Isaiah there is a central line of truth that thunders its indictment against all who turn to fleshly human methods, and who insist on clinging to the traditions of men and the worn-out formula of methods and movements which were good in their day, but having fulfilled their purpose they should make way for the unfolding revelation of God.

FOR THE EXPERIENCES OF YESTERDAY WE PRAISE GOD

A dear friend of mine was talking to me about the transformation in my own ministry. He asked me whether or not in preaching this message of the NEW DAY, I was not lifting my voice in condemnation of the experiences of the days of yesterday. I told him, "No! Ten thousand times no!" For the experiences of yesterday I thank God! But I do not want to sit down in smug complacency and contemplate the visions of yesterday and the past. Neither do I want to discover that I have been going about in a circle and that all my efforts have brought me back to the place of my beginning.

ONWARD AND UPWARD

Progress should ever be onward and up-



Dr. Price

ward. Once in the past we found the RAIN was falling! We discovered that the promise of the Lord had not been in vain and that this WAS a momentous hour of fulfillment. First came a little handful of people, then hundreds and later by the tens of thousands, the saints of the Lord turned a deaf ear to established ecclesiasticism and marched onto the ground which was once dry and parched to experience the refreshing showers of God's glory and grace. **BUT THIS WAS THE EARNEST OF THINGS WHICH WERE TO COME.** *It was the gathering of the first, fleecy clouds in the heavens of our God which were merely the heralds of the outpouring and the deluge which was to come later.*

Perhaps ecclesiastical systems are necessary walls of defense builded to protect ourselves and conserve our ministries. I would not push one of them down. But I am going to insist that they can't confine my Jesus within the walls of the denominational boundaries. You can't hold God's ocean in the little egg-cup of your human committees and forms and systems.

IN VAIN WE PRAY FOR THE REVIVAL OF YESTERDAY

The song my heart is singing is, "Onward! Onward! Onward!" In vain will we pray for the revival of yesterday; or a return of what happened in the purposes of God, two or three decades ago. To sit

down and agonize and plead for a restoration of the things which contributed to the growth of the people of the Lord, two or three decades ago, is to miss the Divine Purpose.

Look at the revival which set Christendom aflame under the mighty ministry of Martin Luther. An apostate had a cross that was not the cross! They had a system whereby and through which they said, men could find salvation, but in which men were never really saved. They put the burden of earning Heaven upon the price that humans paid and sins were atoned for by the suffering of individuals instead of by the Man of Calvary!

Then the light broke! The holy flame from heaven touched the lips of Martin Luther with a live coal from off the altar. The angels shouted through the corridors of glory as the cry left his lips, "The just shall live by faith."

Hungry hearts everywhere started to open to the message. The revival was on! It was God's Plan. It was God's Purpose! It was foreordained and predestined. The hour for the declaration had been made in the chronologies of God. The angry forces of hell could do nothing to stop it. Through the heathered hills of old Scotland came the flaming evangelist, John Knox. He preached what Luther preached and MORE! He did not say, "Lord, send us what we had in Luther's day." For not a revivalist in human history has ever had the backward look. Revivals only come through those inspired men who look into the future and not into the past. He did not tear down the walls of Martin Luther, but he built more. Under the dynamic influence of his ministry an empire rocked. And the just, who were to live by faith and not by penance, heard now the story of the revelation of the Grace of God which had appeared unto all men. Remember also that as the established church fought Martin Luther, it also fought John Knox. Whether you like it or not, it is true, that *all the revivals have been born outside the church and not in it.* It is the decadency of our ecclesiastical systems which demands revival! The heavens begin to stir when the heart-cries of hungry people, who are not satisfied with the status quo, begin to pour through the portals and reach the ears and heart of God. Revivals never come through the smug complacency of self-satisfied churchianity. No man can ever see the light on the hills of tomorrow who is constantly looking longfully back at the road over which he came yesterday.

So when John Knox preached, the ecclesiastics who had accepted Martin Luther

began to shout, "Be careful" and "Beware. If this thing were of God why didn't Martin Luther have it?" But that holy man was anointed of God. Nothing could stop the flow of this onward, upward movement! It was ordained and blessed of God!

AFTER LUTHER AND KNOX CAME THE WESLEYS

Then came the Wesleys!—John and Charles; one the theologian; the other the psalmist! What a team! What a combination! 'And with what holy glory did the Father of us all crown their appointed ministries. Was this another revival, patterned after the old? IT WAS NOT! In all human history there were never two revivals alike. Once again, history repeated itself and the church started shouting, "Be careful." Out went the Wesleys! Out of fellowship; out of membership; out of places in which to preach; out into the countryside, of streams and hills and lakes where, like their Master, they could use a stone for a pulpit and the skies above for the dome of the cathedral, and the grassy hills would provide pews for their congregation.

So it was that Wesley preached the new message! It was holiness unto the Lord! Had Luther preached it? Had the predecessors of Wesley preached it? They had not! It was a new revelation. It was truth, flaming and burning in Wesley's soul put there by the Spirit of the Eternal. The fires of revival could not be put out. England and Christendom were aflame. Once again it was a revival outside established systems and organizations and it was a revival of a new revelation from the Hand and Heart of the Lord.

THE WELSH REVIVAL

In the British Isles another revival broke out, this time in Wales, and for want of a better name, we have called it the "Welsh Revival." It did not come through a preacher. Once again, it was not born in any established system. It started in the dust and the dark of a coal pit when a surrendered soul named Evan Roberts began to talk to his Lord, and his Lord began to talk to him. Vision and revelation swept across his spirit in kaleidoscopic procession until his cup became so full, he could contain it no longer. It was the thunder in the skies of God which heralded the coming of the latter rain and the falling of the showers of the Holy Ghost.

Was it the Wesleyan revival? It was not! Once again the ecclesiastics held up their hands in holy horror. When we sit down and read with gratitude in our hearts the story of an outpouring that literally rocked the world, we generally become acquainted with the victorious side and are thrilled with the stories of the conquests and the victories which were won. Very little is said of the battle; of the sarcasm; of the unbelief; of the incredulous and the fearful. But they were all there. But those garbed in the habiliments of religion were

as powerless and *impotent* as a stack of straw in a cyclone, for when God begins to move, all the powers of earth cannot stop His onward progress. The flames of this Holy Ghost outpouring blazed and roared until the voices of the critics were silenced, beneath the deluge of the manifestation of the glory of the Lord. So the Welsh revival fulfilled its purpose. It completed its mission. It had its day. The hearts of the redeemed were one more step up the rungs of the ladder which the Lord promised they should climb, until all that had been lost was restored.

THE LATTER-DAY HOLY GHOST OUTPOURING

Then came the Holy Ghost outpouring of a few decades ago. In India; in Leicester, England; in Los Angeles and in many more places on this far-flung globe of ours there came the simultaneous outpouring of the power of the Holy Spirit such as the world had never known since Apostolic days. Do you know who fought it the hardest? The battlecry went out, "This cannot be of God, because Moody and Finney and Sankey and Whitfield did not declare it. If this is good why did they not have it?" It disturbed the quiet content of self-satisfied systems which were perfectly happy to maintain the status quo and not go adventuring with the Holy Ghost along the lines of grace and truth and unfolding revelation.

WHAT ABOUT TOMORROW?

But what about today? What about tomorrow? Sing my soul, for I hear the sound of abundance of rain! Yesterday we sang "Showers of Blessing," but now we are waiting for the DELUGE! It is coming and nothing can stop it. I presume that many of you will not love me for the statement I am about to make, but I cannot be true to the Lord and to my soul unless I declare what I believe is the truth. Like every other previous outpouring, this glorious experience which is about to burst over the world will not be the product of any established system. Established systems may experience it and enjoy it and flow along in the pure clear stream of its beautiful, onward flowing. Even then they may not do it as systems, but only as the multiplied thousands within their borders, who are hungry for God and are spiritually conscious of the fact that there is more to follow.

WONDERFUL DAYS TO COME

You have thought, have you not, that you have been in some glorious healing services? Perhaps you have and for them we praise the Lord. But wait a little while. I declare unto you that God is going to do better in your tomorrow than He has ever done in the past. I feel that like Joshua, who stood before the crossing of the Jordan, and under the anointing of the Spirit, he declared: "Ye have not passed this way before. Tomorrow the Lord will do WONDERS among you."

SOME WANTED TO GO BACK TO EGYPT

But alas, some of the children of Israel, having been delivered from Egypt, wanted to go back there. They began to hunger for the old food just as the church systems of our day have hungered for the same thing. How well I remember I used to testify to people who shouted for victory with streaming eyes while they wept tears of joy, of things I had been delivered from—which we considered a necessary and integral part of the life of our church, the drama, the spectacular, the entertainment, the busy whirl of the wheels of social pleasures and activity. Little did I realize when I took the broom and swept the temple clean, and sang with the people, "Take the world and give me Jesus," that day would dawn when those identical things would creep in again, like the camel into the desert tent—first his head, then just a little more and a little more until, inside there is no space for anything left—but the camel.

They tell me these things are necessary. I do not believe it. I will not accept it. I cannot refrain from declaring it. There is no substitute for the sound of a-going in the top of the mulberry trees. You cannot find the equivalent to the power of the Holy Ghost. The kingdom of Jesus is not of this world. Let us keep it untouched, unsullied, and unspoiled by the world.

Thousands of hearts know there is a need. There is an intuitive consciousness that there is something better and richer and sweeter very near at hand. Many have tried this panacea and this cure-all for the things which have caused our malady and that ail us. So down we have gone to Egypt, perhaps not to dwell completely there, but at any rate to borrow a few horses and take a little ride in some gaily painted chariot, because they look so beautiful and so strong. But the Voice of the Lord is speaking. Throw open the window of your soul so that you can hear. The anointing of the Holy Ghost is upon the prophet Isaiah and he is declaring in thunder-tones the message of warning and reproach which should fall on our ears today. In the first part of his 31st chapter he declares:

"Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses and trust in chariots because they are many; and in horsemen because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the Lord! . . . Now the Egyptians are men and not God; and their horses flesh and not spirit . . . they shall all fail together."—Isaiah 31:5-6.

A WARNING

What words of warning are these? What deep impending tragedy is implied in them? What a call from the eternal heavens to those who are spiritually alive to separate themselves from the world and the flesh, remembering forever that these things are barriers which hold back the

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EXPLOITS OF FAITH

TESTIMONIES FROM THE BRANHAM HEALING CAMPAIGNS

"But the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits."—Daniel 11:32.

Registered Nurse Healed As Bro. Branham Prays for Audience

Indian Gardens Ranch
Savona, B. C., Canada
July 12, 1948

While Bro. Branham held his meeting in Vancouver, November, 1947, I was unable to obtain a prayer card. But when Bro. Branham prayed for all present I was miraculously healed of heart condition and nervous condition. I had an enlarged condition on one side of my heart for 30 years or longer, which caused anemic condition to some extent.

As we all stood in reverence and prayer, I put my right hand over my heart. Bro. Branham started his prayer, and at that very instant I felt a severe pain in heart, tearing or crushing, at the same moment a "cloud of glory" came over me (like a heavy fog), covering me from head to my hips, and then left.

I knew my heart was healed, later knew my nerves were composed and the puffiness disappeared.

Praise God for all his blessings to every one. My prayer for Bro. Branham is that God give him strength to carry on to the end.

Mrs. M. Higginson, R. N.

Young Man Healed of Crossed Eyes, Passes Kidney Stones

August 4, 1948.

I received my first issue of your publication today. Not only did I enjoy the inspirational articles, but I was happy to see that it was such a clean, neat job typographically.

I would like to submit my testimony of healing received when Brother Branham visited San Antonio in February of 1947. At that time I was instantly healed of a crossed eye. Also, sight has returned to that eye which was nearly blind from a paralyzed optic nerve. Also, about four or five days after being prayed for, I passed kidney stones and a persistent backache of long standing also disappeared, as well as a case of athlete's foot infection which I did not consider serious enough to list on my prayer card.

Frederick H. Drexler
1302 E. Market St.
Indianapolis 2, Ind.

Tuberculosis Was Claiming Young Mother's Life; Prayer Restores Her

Sutherlin, Oregon
August 3, 1948

How I praise God for His wonderful Gift of Healing, and for Bro. Branham's humble use of the gift He has given him.

It was in one of your services in Eugene, Oregon, that the Lord healed me of ulcers and T.B. which was rapidly taking my life.

Now I eat good and have strength to do my work and care for my three little children. What a joy to know the Lord cared enough for me to heal my body through Bro. Branham's ministry. I know He healed me to work for Him.

It is my earnest prayer that God will give Bro. Branham strength so that people in other lands may see God's power in action such as I did.

Mrs. S. E. Vaale.

Woman Completely Healed While Bro. Bosworth Is Preaching

August 9, 1948

I am praising God for healing my body May 12, 1948, in the Tacoma Ice Arena. I was healed as I sat in the morning service listening to Brother Bosworth preaching on the love of God.

I had been ill for more than six years, having undergone two major operations, which left me with glandular disturbance, a serious blood calcium deficiency, and severe arthritis. At times during the last four and a half years I was not able to feed or dress myself and suffered terrible pain. Last November I was sent to the hospital, and when released I was taking thyroid tablets, hormones and calcium shots, but in vain as the doctor could not keep the calcium in my blood. But since Jesus touched my body three months ago, I have been well and have not taken any medicine or shots, and can do my work, even the yard work. Thank God.

I had been so weak I could not stay up during the day and be able to attend the night services too. But the Lord gave me so much strength that I was able to attend every service. Praise His Name. I didn't have to go into the prayer line, but was completely healed in my seat.

Mrs. Hilda Larson
3571 Faucett Ave.
Tacoma, 8, Wash.

God Performs Operation After Anointed Ribbon Is Sent to Minister's Wife

September 11, 1948

I was suffering with a terrible heart affliction which bothered me all the time. My husband wrote to Brother Branham, and the day he sent the anointed cloth from his body I was instantly healed. My heart has been regular ever since.

Later, I had other afflictions in my body and wrote for another anointed ribbon. I had a tumor on my head; on Friday, September 3, at about 11 P. M. my scalp was opened and the tumor came out in my hand, roots and all, without one drop of blood. I saved the tumor and have it now in keeping. The hole in my head is healing very nicely. I praise the Lord for this wonderful deliverance.

Mrs. C. R. Farmer
General Delivery
Vernon, Ill.

Another Minister's Wife Passes Tumor After Being Prayed For

October 1, 1948

My wife was prayed for in Brother Branham's meeting at Salem, Oregon, in November of 1947, and was healed instantly of a crushed lower spine and two lower vertebrae which were cracked and out of place. X-ray shows that it now is perfect. Also she passed a tumor hours after being prayed for, and a headache with which she had suffered for years has never recurred. Praise the Lord, it is now 11 months since her healing, and it is wonderful.

Rev. John T. Hauck
Box 603
Whitehall, Montana

Spirit Witnesses to Woman As Ribbon Is Prayed Over

Sept. 1, 1947.

I received the ribbon that Brother Branham sent me and I must say that my throat and mouth are better than they have been in three years. I praise God for answering your prayer, for I know that you have prayed for me. At a certain time I felt as though you were praying for me, and I closed my eyes and the power of God came down over me and I began to speak in tongues. Then in three days I got the ribbon, and I am wearing it like you said.

MRS. ALICE DIVAN
Route No. 1
Dexter, Ky.

Life Story of Rev. Wm. Branham

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that each one would get the right amount. I could go out this afternoon and get a whole box of milk chocolates, but it would never taste like that candy did. That was real candy. Sometimes I would suck on a piece of it, then wrap it up in a piece of paper and put it in my pocket. Then wait until about Monday and then suck on it again a while. My brothers would have eaten their candy up by then, and they would want to suck on my candy too. Those were great days, and I guess we can all remember those days.

So I stood there in that schoolhouse yard thinking on these things, of the days when I was a boy. This was just a little way from the bush where God first spoke to me in such a strange and wonderful way. And so as I thought of all those things that were past I began to cry. My wife and little girl looked up quickly from where they were picking violets. My wife came over and said, "Now you have come home to rest, you mustn't do that." She led me back to the car and we went home.

DEATH TAKES MY FATHER AND BROTHER

Just about the time that my brother who went to school with me was old enough to go to work, he died. Then a little later my father died. I want to tell you how his life ended. There's a barroom in Jeffersonville called the Brown Derby. I had been saved a little while before that and was preaching in Jeffersonville at my tabernacle. Father came up one day; he was a likable fellow, always jolly and laughing. But sometimes he got under the influence of liquor. Once he ran into a tree. I was going by in a conservation truck, and I saw him and felt so bad. He was my dad. I went up to him and put my arm around him, and then he said, "Oh son, I don't want you to see me like this." I took him home and gave him some sweet milk and soon he was all right. Time went on, and I remember about two days before he died, he was coming along, and he met some fellows who wanted him to come into the barroom and take a drink. He picked up a glass in his hand and started trembling, and then he set it down. One of the fellows said, "What's the matter, Charles, are you weakening?" He said, "No." He lifted the glass and again he set it down. Then he looked around at the bar where all the fellows were sitting. He said, "Fellows, I've got a boy standing up there in the pulpit. He's right and I'm wrong. I've broken his heart over and over and over again. This is the last that I'm ever going to drink." About twenty-four hours later he was lying across my arms dying. He gave his heart to Christ a few hours before he died.

MARRIAGE

I then was coming to the age of getting married. I was just a little country boy and I was real bashful. Considering how shy I was, you probably wonder how I

ever got married. Well, there are a whole lot of other bashful fellows in here and I guess I did like they did. So I'll tell you my experience.

I met a fine Christian girl. I thought she was a wonderful girl. My standard for a woman was one that didn't drink or smoke cigarettes. It was hard to find such a girl then and it is worse than ever now. I loved this fine girl and I wanted to marry her, but I didn't have nerve enough to ask her. But I knew I had to ask her soon—she was too good a woman to waste time with me—she would get someone else. I only made twenty cents an hour and her daddy made several hundred dollars a month. Every night when I would see her, I would say, "I am going to ask her tonight." And then a great big lump would come up in my throat and I just couldn't do it. I didn't know what to do. You know how I finally married her? I wrote her a letter and asked her.

Well, that letter had a little more romance in it than "dear miss." I did my very best to write a good letter, although I'm sure it was poor. So in the morning I got ready to put it in the mailbox. But then the thought occurred to me of what would happen if her mother got it. But I was afraid to hand it to her. Finally I got up enough courage to put it in the mailbox on Monday morning. Wednesday night I was supposed to meet her and take her to church. All that week before Wednesday I was really nervous. Wednesday night I went to see her. And as I went I thought, what will happen if her mother comes out and says, "*William Branham!*" Her mother was one of those women that could do that. I knew I could get along all right with the girl, but I wasn't so sure of the mother.

Finally I went to the door and called for Hope, the girl's name. She came to the door and said, "Will you step in?" I said, "If you don't mind I'll just sit on the porch." I made sure that they wouldn't let me get inside. She said, "All right, I'll be ready in just a few minutes."

I had an old model T Ford, but she said, "It's not far to church, let's walk." This alarmed me and I was sure something had happened. We went on to church but she didn't say anything. I was so nervous that night I didn't hear what the preacher said at all. You know a woman can keep you in suspense.

After we left the church, we started walking down the street—it was a moonlit night. But still she didn't say anything. At last I decided that she hadn't got the letter. This made me feel better. I thought that perhaps the letter had been misplaced by the postman, and soon I was my old self. Then she turned to me and said, "Billy, I got your letter." I said to myself, "Oh, what am I going to do now?" Finally I said, "D-did you read it?" She said, "Uh-huh." I got more nervous than ever. We were getting near the house.

I said, "Did you read it all?" She said, "Uh-huh." Now we were at the steps. I wondered if she was going to lead me in where her mother was. I said quickly, "What did you think about it?" She said, "It was all right." Well, we got married, so there we were.

Well, I didn't ask her mother, but I knew that I was going to have to ask one of her parents. So I thought that I would ask her dad, as we got along pretty good. One night I went up to where he was sitting in his Buick. You remember I had a model T Ford. So I said to him, "Say, that is a fine car you have." He said, "Yes, you have a nice Ford too." So I said, "Well—well—well—" He looked at me and said, "Yes, Billy, you can have her." Well, that was a relief. But I said, "But you know I can't make the living that you can give her. You know that I only make twenty cents an hour, digging ditches. But I will do everything that I can for her; I'll be true to her and love her with all my heart." And he put his hand upon my head and said, "Billy, I would rather you would have her than anyone that I know, because I know you will be good to her, and you will love her."

We were married and I don't believe that there was any place on earth that was any happier than our little home. It was wonderful. I became a minister just before that and was ordained. I had my first revival there in Jeffersonville; several thousand people attended it. Later we built a tabernacle. Had many hundreds of conversions during that time. We didn't have much furniture in that house—a folding bed, an old rug and breakfast set, an old stove that I bought from a junk dealer and put new grates in it. But, friends, it was home, and I would rather live in a shack and have favor with God than live in the best house there is.

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This Momentous Hour

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flow of the Spirit of God and over which the power of the Lord will never climb. We have our choice, the issues are clear, the flesh must be crucified.

So it is I declare unto you this glorious radiant rift in the sky which is the herald of a new day and the breaking of a new morning which makes my heart to sing.

Did you hear the rumbling in the distant hills that heralds the coming of the storm? I have and I am listening to it now. I believe that I know what day it is. That is why when I read in the quiet of my heart, the prophecies of the inspired Isaiah, something begins to throb in the depths of my being. No use running around trying to wear out shoe-leather bringing this coming thing about. Listen to Isaiah as he says in verse 15: "In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Some will accept it, others will refuse.

The World in Prophecy

NOVEMBER 1948 IN PROPHECY

What Is About to Take Place in America?

BY GORDON LINDSAY

THE STRANGE DREAM OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR

Nebuchadnezzar was the world dictator of his time, a circumstance that is not without interest at this present day when other men have been, and others still are, striving frantically to attain a similar position. In Daniel 4 we read that the king had spent a troubled and restless night. During hours of fitful sleep he witnessed a vision that left him in a state of uneasiness and foreboding. Believing that the dream had some important meaning, he called in the magicians, the astrologers and other mystics of his realm and asked them to interpret it. The conjurers of the occult arts, however, were unable to give a satisfactory explanation of the dream to the king.

The monarch then summoned the prophet Daniel, who once before had interpreted a dream for him. The king had been singularly impressed with this man of God, and was persuaded that his knowledge came from a higher source than that of the magicians and the astrologers. Daniel answered the summons and was forthwith ushered into Nebuchadnezzar's presence. The king repeated the request he had previously made of the sorcerers and the magicians. Could Daniel interpret the dream of the night before? The king was not disappointed. Daniel, in favor with God, would be able by Divine aid, to comply with the monarch's request.

The dream of Nebuchadnezzar was a singular one—a fact which made the king exceedingly desirous to learn its meaning. In the vision he had beheld a "great tree" which "grew and was strong and the height thereof reached unto heaven and the sight thereof unto the end of the earth." While the king observed and wondered "a watcher and a holy one" came down from heaven and proclaimed judgment against it. The tree was hewn down and the branches and the fruit and leaves were cut off and scattered. Nevertheless the Divine Decree stipulated that the "stump" was to be left "to be wet with the dew of heaven, and his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth. Let his heart be changed from a man's and let a beast's heart be given unto him, and let *seven times pass over him*" (Daniel 4:15, 16).

INTERPRETATION SHOWED THE "TREE" TO BE THE KING

So Daniel interpreted the dream. He declared that it referred to none other than to the monarch himself. The mighty ruler of Babylon, like the tree in the vision, had become strong and powerful and had extended his dominion as it were to the ends

of the earth. But this exaltation had not made him humble nor had he recognized the Providence of God. Indeed the king had become proud and self-willed and considered that all had been accomplished by his own ability and might. Because of this impiety, God had decreed that the king was to become temporarily insane—his reason would leave him and he would believe that he was a beast of the field.

"SEVEN TIMES" OR SEVEN YEARS OF JUDGMENT PASSED ON KING

Daniel then showed the king the purpose of the Divine Decree and urged him to immediate repentance, peradventure a reprieve might be granted or the sentence mitigated:

"And *seven times* shall pass over thee, till thou know that the Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will . . . and that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule" (Dan. 4:26).

Perhaps the king was affected by the prophet's warning; nevertheless, not sufficiently to move him to repentance. So it came to pass according to Daniel's interpretation of the dream, that as the king was walking in his palace a year later, he spoke to himself and said: "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom of might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?" Instantly the Decree was executed. The king's reason fled from him and the palace servants felt it was necessary to humor the monarch's strange obsession by letting him dwell with the beasts of the field.

WORLD EVENTS DO NOT HAPPEN BY CHANCE BUT ARE GOVERNED BY DIVINE PROVIDENCE

Afterwards "at the end of the days"—the *Seven Times* or seven years or 2520 days—Nebuchadnezzar's understanding returned to him, and he received his kingdom again. But in the meantime he had learned that "The Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men."

There are certain facts apparent in this account of the dream and its fulfillment that are of great importance in the understanding of events transpiring today. *One is that events do not take place at random or by chance, but the Most High has ordained "watchers" who control the destinies of the kingdoms of this world.*

THE SEVEN TIMES OR SEVEN YEARS

The other fact is that there is a definite time-limit pre-determined in the Plan of God, which governs the length of all hu-

man kingdoms, and the periods of their authority and rule.

Thus in this account of Nebuchadnezzar's dream and its interpretation, a period of "Seven Times" is spoken of in three different instances, as the length of time that the Babylonian monarch was deprived of his regal authority. The question now arises: How long is a period of Seven Times, and what bearing does this have upon events that are now transpiring?

The answer to this question is found elsewhere in the Scriptures. A comparison of Rev. 12:14 with 11:2-3 shows that "a time, times and a half time" (3½ times) is 1260 days or 3½ years of 360 days. Seven times are therefore seven years of 360 days or 2520 days. (Bible scholars know that there are "Seven Times" of years also and in this case the 2520 days stand for 2520 years.)

THE "SEVEN TIMES" OR SEVEN YEARS IN THE SCRIPTURES

Seven in the Bible is a perfect number. It is understandable then that a period of seven years in Scriptural reckoning should be of exceptional importance. We have already seen that Nebuchadnezzar's insanity lasted seven years; there are many other examples. Thus the time of plenty which preceded the great famine in Joseph's day continued just seven years (Gen. 41:29). The famine which followed also lasted seven years.

The Jubilee, one of the most important events in Israel's national life was to occur after seven periods of seven years each (Lev. 25:8). David reigned over Judah, before the Northern tribes accepted his authority, seven years (II Sam. 2:11). The great temple of Solomon was seven years in building (I Kings 6:38). The first seven years of the Millennium will be required to cleanse the land of Israel from the debris of Armageddon (Ezek. 39:9). Moreover the Seventy Weeks of Daniel are periods of seven years each. According to that prophecy (Daniel 9) 69 of these were to transpire before the death of the Messiah. The Seventieth or climaxing Week is, of course, also a period of Seven years.

THE REMARKABLE SEVEN-YEAR OR 2520-DAY PERIODS OF TODAY

It may be understood then that the Seven Times in days is a span of time of extraordinary importance in Bible history and prophecy. *We may note that these seven-year periods are just as remarkably marked today, and show perfect proof that "The Most High" has "watchers" who are ruling and overruling the events of the world today!*

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1.

WORLD WAR I ERA
2520 DAYS

Aug. 1-4, 1914
World War I begins.

July 2, 1921
War officially ends with U. S.
signing peace with Germany.

2.

POST WAR ERA
2520 DAYS

Nov. 11, 1918
Armistice signed.

Oct. 5, 1925
Locarno Era begins.

3.

PALESTINE PROSPERITY ERA
2520 DAYS

Aug. 10, 1920
Sevres Treaty gives Palestine
to Jews.

July 4-11, 1927
Palestine Earthquake killing
hundreds.

4.

DISARMAMENT ERA
2520 DAYS

Nov. 10, 1921
World Disarmament Confer-
ence opens.

Aug.-Sept. 1928
Briand-Kellogg Pact outlaw-
ing war is signed by most im-
portant nations.

5.

PEACE TO WAR ERA
2520 DAYS

Aug.-Sept. 1928
Briand Pact outlawing war
signed.

July 15-22, 1935
Mussolini breaks pact; mob-
ilizes for war.

6.

DEPRESSION ERA
2520 DAYS

Oct. 20-27, 1929
Stock Market Crash.

Sept. 16, 1936
Economic Cycle reaches nor-
malcy (By Babson charts).

7.

AUSTRIA CYCLE
2520 DAYS

March 21, 1931
Germany signs custom union
with Austria.

March 12, 1938
Germany swallows up Austria.

8.

WESTERN EUROPE PEACE ERA
2520 DAYS

June 7, 1933
Hitler signs Peace Pact with
European nations.

May 10, 1940
Hitler invades Western
Europe.

9.

HITLER'S SUPREMACY ERA
2520 DAYS

Aug. 2, 1934
Hindenburg dies; Hitler su-
preme.

June 22, 1941
Hitler attacks Russia; decline
begins.

10.

INVASION CYCLE
2520 DAYS

July 7, 1937
Japan invades China; War be-
gins in Orient.

June 6, 1944
Allies invade Europe—D Day.

11.

JEWISH CYCLE
2520 DAYS

June 22, 1941
Hitler supreme; kills 6,000,-
000 Jews; invades Russia.

May 16-26, 1948
Jews establish independent
state, Hitler gone.

12.

MUNICH TO PEACE ERA
2520 DAYS

Sept. 27, 1938
Hitler defies World at Munich.

Aug. 14, 1945
World War II ends.

13.

WORLD WAR II ERA
2520 DAYS

Sept. 1, 1939
World War II begins; Invasion
of Poland.

July 27, 1946
Nations gather to draw up
Peace Treaty.

14.

AMERICA—NOV. 1948?
2520 DAYS

Dec. 7, 1941
Japs attack Pearl Harbor.

Nov. 1948
New Deal Regime ends? What
else?

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FIRST EXAMPLE IS WORLD WAR I WHICH LASTS 2520 DAYS!

Our first example is that of World War I which from its beginning to the conclusion of the final peace, was 2520 days! On the fateful day of August 4, 1914, Great Britain declared war on Germany. Four long years of bitter conflict followed. The flames of war spread until they enveloped practically every nation of the earth. Before the conflict ended, nearly ten million men died in the field, while other millions of non-combatants perished by starvation and epidemics.

An Armistice ended actual hostilities, but this was not peace—the Armistice merely suspended fighting on the several fronts. Later Britain and France and Italy signed the Versailles Treaty. But the U. S. Senate rejected this treaty and refused to ratify it. Technically therefore Germany was at a state of war until July 2, 1921, when a separate peace treaty was drawn up and signed. Notice then that World War I officially ended 2520 days or Seven Times after it had begun! Thus we see that Seven Times in modern times as in Bible days marks a distinct era of time. This is but one of many examples. Notice the charts on these pages for illustration of a number of these periods.

POST-WAR ERA—PALESTINE ERA

For example, from the Armistice to the great European Treaty of Locarno which governed Europe during the inter-war period was 2520 days or Seven Times.

The Palestine prosperity era lasted 2520 days. On August 10, 1920, the Treaty of Sevres concluded with Turkey giving control of Palestine into the hands of the British, who then permitted the Jews to return to Palestine. Seven Times or 2520 days later brings us to July 4-11, 1927. At this very date came the historical earthquake which shook Palestine and Transjordan. Many hundreds of people were killed. Part of Jerusalem was destroyed. This event ended the prosperity era, and from then on coincidentally Arab hostility flared up in the form of raids and systematic forays. The seven years of prosperity had ended.

WORLD PEACE PACT LASTS SEVEN TIMES

On November 10, 1921, a World Disarmament Conference opened at Washington for the purpose of scrapping capital ships and condemning war. Seven Times later at the end of summer 1928 the famous Kellogg-Briand Pact for outlawing war was drawn up and signed by the principal nations of the world. Then Seven Times after that during the week of July 15-22, 1935, Mussolini in defiance of the Pact mobilized for war against Ethiopia.

DEPRESSION LASTS 2520 DAYS

During the last week of October, 1929, the great Stock Market Crash came with the result that speedily plummeted the world into the throes of the Great Depres-

sion. Not till Seven Times later, 2520 days, did economic levels return to normalcy. Roger Babson, world's most noted statistician, showed that this occurred in the middle of September, 1936.

Many European events foreshadowing each other in sequence occurred just Seven Times apart. For example, on March 21, 1931, Germany and Austria signed a custom union. Seven years later during the period of Feb. 12-March 12, 1938, Hitler moved into Austria and swallowed it up. In October, 1931, the League assembled to condemn Japan for aggression in Manchuria but did nothing about it. Seven Times later, England gave in to Hitler in the ill-fated Munich appeasement, which led to World War II.

EVENTS OF WORLD WAR II

On October 18, 1932, Britain denounced and abrogated treaties with Russia because she used slave labor in her commerce. Just Seven Times later, found Russia making her own Pact with Germany and together they invaded and despoiled Poland in World War II.

On June 7, 1933, Hitler signed a peace pact with the most important nations of Europe. Just 2520 days or Seven Times later, Hitler invaded the Low Countries, bringing all Europe except Russia under his subjugation.

Hitler came into complete power over Germany with the death of President Von Hindenburg on August 2, 1934. Seven Times later, on June 22, 1941, Hitler reached the summit of his power and the beginning of his decline, when he turned on Russia and attacked her.

SEVEN YEARS TILL THE TABLES ARE TURNED

On July 7, 1937, Japan invaded China which marked the beginning of continuous war until the Axis power was destroyed. Seven Times later on June 6, 1944, the tables were turned and the Allies on D-Day began the invasion of Hitler's iron fortress, which effort was successful and resulted in the overthrow of the Axis.

THE 2520 DAYS OF HITLER'S SUPREMACY TO JEWISH STATE

Hitler's greatest hatred was against the Jews and he succeeded in taking the lives of perhaps 6,000,000 of them. He rode to a crest of power on this murderous policy. He reached the highest point in his power on June 22, 1941, when he decided that he would destroy Russia and then move on to the subjugation of the rest of the world. But that day marked the beginning of his decline. Seven years pass by and we come to the week of May 15-22, 1948. Hitler is gone and Jewry proclaims an independent state—the first time that the Jews have been an independent nation for 2520 years.

One more fact about Hitler. At Munich in the middle of September, 1938, Hitler defied the world. Whether by peaceful means or war Hitler demanded Czechoslovakia. England, in a frantic but futile hope, gave in to Hitler, but it was only

the prelude to war anyway, which started less than a year later. Exactly Seven Times later, Axis supremacy had ended. America dropped the atomic bomb on Japan in August, 1945, and on the 14th of the month, 2520 days after Munich, the war ended.

WHAT ABOUT NOVEMBER, 1948?

On December 7, 1941, America was forced into World War II, by the treacherous Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. A period of Seven Times or 2520 days ends during the first part of November. What may we expect? Already we see that a new regime is to take over the control of our country. All evidence by the poll experts points to the fact that the Dewey-Warren ticket will win, and the present regime of 16 years will have ended. But we ask, will this be all? Is there some other development about to take place? The reader will know the answer to this question before the month is far spent.

One thing is certain, Jesus is coming soon. Darkness is upon the face of the land. The Russian threat grows hourly. All promises that have been made apparently were made only to be broken. In spite of the treachery of Communism and its inherent godlessness, many of our own supposed citizens have allegiance to Moscow, whose hands are red with the blood of multitudes of God's people.

May all these things stir us to action, to set our house in order, to live for God, to consecrate our lives completely to Him Who loved us and gave His life for us. Then like Daniel of old "we shall stand in our lot at that day." We shall awake in His likeness. We shall see Him and be satisfied.

THE SEVEN YEARS OF WORLD WAR II

One more point. Hitler invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, thus inaugurating the second great world conflict. On July 27, 1946—just 2520 days later—all the great nations gathered to draw up the peace. But there is no peace this time, not until after Armageddon. The cold war is on now—the hour approaches for World War III to break in its fury.

How God Gave Me Healing Ministry

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erance. A new method of prayer was given to me and I found myself praying in an entirely different manner.

Shortly after this, my wife noticed the new power in my life, she said, "Honey, keep humble before God so you can keep this great power. I do not know how long God will let you keep it, but prove to Him by your humility that you will use it wisely."

Such, my dear friends, is the story of how God's healing power came to me. I ask only one thing: your prayers that I may bring deliverance to those for whom my Redeemer died.