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THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY OF SALVATION

There are so many ideas about the plan of salvation taught by the preachers of the world today that one hardly knows what to believe.

What does the Bible teach? should be the question asked by every person confronted by this problem today. What does the Bible teach? Christ and his apostles taught that for one to be saved from their past sins, it was necessary that they have faith in Christ, John 20: 30-31. Where can we obtain such faith? Romans 10:17 Christ and the apostles taught that with faith comes repentance, Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38. Then confession, Matt. 10:32; Acts 8:37. With these teachings most all agree, but then comes contradiction and unbelief of God's word when baptism is mentioned. Heb. 5:8-9 the promise is to all them that obey him, Mark 16:15-16 and damnation to those that don't believe and obey. Yet again in Acts 2:38 the first gospel sermon that was ever preached produced subjects who Believed, Repented, Confessed and were baptized, and on that day 3000 souls were added to the church. The church today is exactly that same church and teaches exactly the same gospel now as Peter did then on the day of Pentecost. THERE WAS ONLY ONE WAY THEN, and there is ONLY ONE WAY TODAY TO become a member of Christ's church, Gal. 3:27; and I Pet. 3:21. YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN, John 3:5. Why wonder what to believe and why wander in sin when "today is the day of salvation." BE BORN AGAIN.

R. H. PEEL,

Crosbyton, Texas.

PAUL AUSLAM, , Rt. I, Hindsville, Ark., Jan. 23-62- Dear Brother in Christ: Just a few lines this Tuesday. How is everyone out that way? As for us, we're fine. We are sure having some winter here. We were very glad to have visitors in our home and at church. Brother and Sister Claude Perigen of Bellflower, Calif. were with us the first Sunday in January. We enjoyed a good lesson from Bro. Perigen Sunday morning. Bro. and Sister Atchley of Oklahoma, were with us the same day and we enjoyed having them all visit us and we welcome them back as often as they can come this way. We are happy to report the church at Bohannan Mountain is picking up some in attendance. Bro. and Sister J. C. and Vada Falkner have been attending regular for some time now. Gerald Parks and family have moved here from California, so Sister Lawanda attends the services now. It helps a lot to see each one come to the services. I hope everything is going well with La Habra, congregation. We think of you there so often and if it is possible, we want you to all come and visit us here any chance you get, Love.

W. E. DANIELS, Rt. 2, Stillwell, Okla., Jan. I5-I962. Dear Brother: The Pleasant View Church of Christ asked me to send a donation for the support of the paper, to the amount of Ten Dollars, to which I am adding a dollar for my individual subscription to the paper.

We like the paper and hope it can grow and its circulation spread over much territory. The church here is doing well and we hope that the church everywhere is doing well. We invite all who might be passing this way to stop and worship with us, and we invite you to visit with us in our homes. Yours in Christ.

R. H. PEEL, Crosbyton, Texas, Jan. 9, I962--Dear Bro: I have put off writing you for I fell and fractured a bone in my right arm and I couldn't do anything left handed. I still can't write very good. We are doing very well in the church work here in Crosbyton, but need more help with the teaching and singing. We do our very best. We are all very old and living on pensions and are not able to do much. I am enclosing a short article for the paper.

We received a short note from Sister Amos Beavers stating that all was well in San Pablo, Calif. except for colds and cases of flu.

Inclosed was a check for the support of the paper for which we thank those who saw fit to remember that it costs money to keep the paper coming your way each month. It also takes a lot of letters to print for you to read. So please remember us next month. -Editor.

F. H. LOGAN, 511 S. Sunset Ave., Modesto, California. Dear Bro. in Christ: I guess I will be late with my report for I have just recovered from a serious spell of the flu. There has been a lot of flu among the brethren here, but most of them are about over their illness. Bro. Gonder was in the hospital last week for a short time, but is better now and is home. Sister Treat is in the hospital now. She has undergone surgery but is doing very well. I preached last Lord's Day for the San Pablo church. The brethren there are moving along very well for a small congregation. The church here at Glenn and Dallas is moving ahead nicely. I am sending you Ten Dollars that some have handed me to send you for their subscriptions to the paper. Their copies can be sent here to the church. Some haven't decided just what they had rather do about the paper. I will let you know when they make up their minds about the matter. Your brother in Christ, as ever.

J. H. LACKEY, Springfield, Colo., Jan. 20, 1962---- Inclosed, are some of my articles I am writing these cold days. I hope all is well with you and the Courier. (Editor's note:--It has been cold and the rains have arrived here in southern California, but I know many of you over the country have suffered greatly this year from severe weather, and would welcome a day like we are having here today. As I am working on the paper today, the temperature has risen into the high seventies; although two days ago ice froze on the mud puddles during the night. We thank you for the writings, Bro. Lackey

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A living Christ in a living man is a living sermon.

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Brother Snoderly:--We have just returned from a three weeks visit with my mother and relatives in Missouri. We left here Dec. 26, spent the afternoon and night with Bro. and Sister W. A. Nelson, at Somerton, Ariz.

Then on to Phoenix where we visited with Brother and Sister Niemczyk and daughter. Sister Niemczyk was in the hospital recovering from an operation. She is now doing very well. We enjoyed our visit at both places very much.

On our way we stopped at Lorenzo, Texas for a couple hours visit with Bro. & Sister Jimmie Loftis and family, Bro. & Sister Studer and several others of their relatives. The next Saturday night we spent with our very close friends, Bro. & Sister Earl Atchley and attended church services with them at Stillwell, Okla. We also visited a short while with Bro. & Sister W. E. Daniels; and also had the pleasure of meeting a lot of very fine Christians there for the first time. After services we drove on to see my mother and relatives. The second Sunday away from home we drove to Huntsville, Ark. where we attended services at the Bohanran Mountain congregation, and I spoke there at the morning service. We visited in the home of Bro. & Sister Auslem there for a while. Bro. & Sister Atchley visited on the Bohanran Mountain while we were there.

We returned to Crane, Missouri, to visit my people again. We had a very nice visit with my mother and sisters and brothers. The last week end of our trip, I talked for the Lorenzo, Texas congregation on Lord's Day morning. We also visited in the homes of Bro. Jimmie & Bro. Bobby Loftis, and with others whose names I can't remember, but we did enjoy every minute of our visit. It it good to meet with Christian friends. Bro. Studer was in the hospital with Pneumonia. On our way

home we stopped to check on Sister Niemczyk's condition. She is getting along fine.

And to climax the whole trip, a surprise dinner was prepared for us Sunday, after services by our home congregation in Bellflower, with a cake beautifully decorated which said, "Welcome home, Claude and Eunice," and it is truly good to be home again.

The Perigens, Claude and Eunice.
8748 E. Artesia, Bellflower, California.

ISAAC N. FERGUSON:--Dear Bro. Roy: The church at Pomona, Calif. is going along about the same, except for sickness. Some were absent the past Lord's Day. Sister Robinson has been unable to attend the assembly for some time. Our prayers is that God will give her a speedy recovery so she may be with us again soon.

We were happy to have Bro. & Sister Lucas of Ontario, visit the church services Lord's Day, Jan. 14. We are also happy to have Sister Mullin meeting with us. Sister Mullin is a former resident of Missouri.

HARRY B. DYE, 828 Oak Drive, Yuma, Ariz., Jan. 29-62. Dear Bro: Here is a check from the church in Yuma for the paper. We received the paper today. Thank you, and keep up the good work. Happy to hear the good news of the additions to Christ's church. It is church time, brother, so will try to write more next time. In love.

MRS. LAURA E. WILLIS, 205½ S. Olive, Carlsbad, N. M.-Dear Bro. Snoderly:--Received my paper and as usual, enjoyed it very much. Am enclosing a small contribution to help keep it going. God bless the good work.

Your Sister in Christ.

LA HABRA, CALIF. CHURCH NEWS:---Sister Clouse has returned home from Modesto after an extended stay with her father, Bro. J. G. Conder who was very ill, but is now able to be up and about.

Attendance this winter has been very irregular, mostly on account of illness among the members, but some have moved away. Bellflower brethren have been with us

in our Friday night services a number of times during January and we appreciate their attendance and co-operation. In our Friday night services we are studying the Book of Revelation. We were happy to have Bro. and Sister Roy Brown of Modesto with us in the morning worship January 28. We are always most happy to have brethren visit us any time. We have made some needed improvements of late on the church parking lot.

Bros. Earl Broadway and his son Tom of the Bellflower congregation preached for us once each during January, giving us two fine gospel sermons.

As we go to press we have news that Bro. Clyde Couchman, of Springfield, Colo. is in California in the Los Angeles area and attended the wedding of his son. We understand that he is to speak at Bellflower on Lord's Day February II. We have not learned as to how long he is to be in these parts.

SICK LIST

We are sorry to report that Bro. Geo. Meadows of the Bellflower, Calif. church is in the hospital, due to some, as yet undetermined ailment. No word as yet as to how long he may be hospitalized. Sister Meadows has recovered from a recent illness, but hospital service was not required. The church sincerely hopes and prays for their complete recovery.

Some members of the La Habra church because if illness have been hindered from church attendance at times, but are now about all back to normal once more.

SOME QUOTES:

A person is never what he ought to be, unless he is doing what he ought to do.

A chip on the shoulder is a heavy load for a man to carry.

No matter how much you nurse a grudge, it won't get better.

The cross is easier to him who takes it up than to him who drags it along.

THE MARRIAGE TIE

God is the author of marriage. God created the woman, and gave her to Adam, thus performing the marriage tie. "This is now bone of my bone, flesh of my flesh." It was to last forever, Rom. 7:2-3. It could not be broken, death ends the marriage tie. It was given to all people, Gen. 2:24. Not just to Christians. Jesus said, "The children of this world marry," Lk. 20:34. When two people make a covenant, agreement, and come together in matrimony, God accepts that and will bind them as such as he did Adam and Eve., Jesus never taught divorce and remarriage to the apostles. When the Pharisees was tempting Christ they asked him if it was lawful to put away one's wife, Mark 10:2; and in the house afterwards, the apostles asked of the same matter. Jesus plainly told them if either party put away the other and remarry, they committed adultery, Mark 10:10-11.

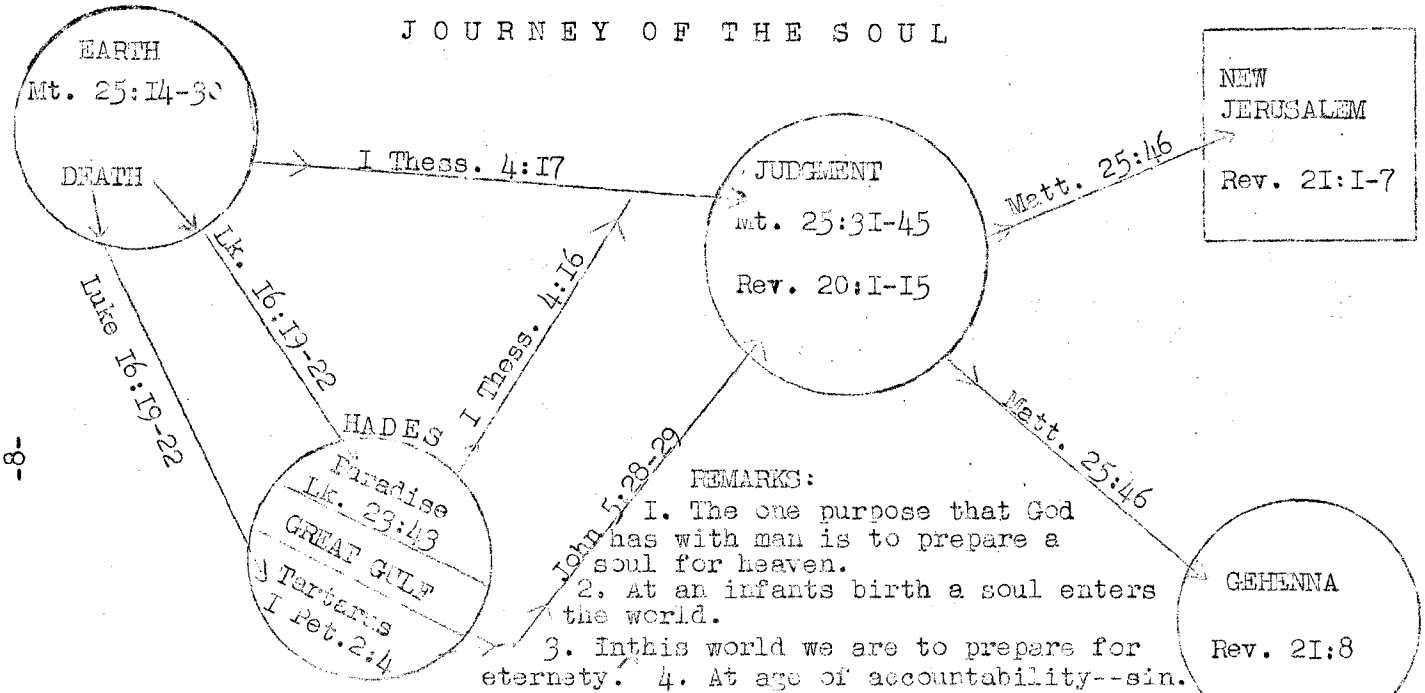
The apostles were to be guided by the spirit, John 16:13, to be guided into all truth. Again, in Jno. 14:20, the Comforter would teach them all things and bring all things to their remembrance whatsoever "I have said unto you." The spirit told Paul to write, "the wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth," I Cor. 7:39. But if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord. Anyone divorced and remarried waile their husband (or wife) is living, is living an adulterous life whether they are a child of God or not. Marriage is a fleshly tie, therefore one out of Christ living in adultery must quit their adultery before they can become a member of the Lord's church. Repentance comes before baptism. Repentance is turning away from sin. A drunkard must quit his drinking. Even so must one quit adultery.

I Cor. 7:10:11; "And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband; But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband; and let not the husband put away his wife." Eph. 5:22-30.

-Isaac N. Ferguson

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JOURNEY OF THE SOUL



REMARKS:

1. The one purpose that God has with man is to prepare a soul for heaven.
2. At an infants birth a soul enters the world.
3. Inthis world we are to prepare for eternety. 4. At age of accountability--sin.
5. Must hear, Beleive, Obey the gospel in order to get into Christ.
6. What ever way we are traveling at death we will have to travel eternally. 7. There are no changing in the Hadean world.
8. Resurrection----of both the good and the bad.
9. Judgment-----before a just judge-----Romans 2nd. chapter.
10. Eternal destiny----------End of the journey.

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