Logans

It Is Written

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CAN A CHRISTIAN BE LOST

Friends I am going to give you what the Bible said about the matter. Just let us read Rev. 22:18, For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the Prophecy of this Book. If any man shall add unto these things God shall add unto him the Plagues that are written in this Book.

Yes, we will be lost if we don't stop and just take what the Bible says and no more, no less, 1 Cor. 11:25, The writer said that he had received of the Lord that which he also delivered unto you. V. 25, After the same manner he took the CUP when he had supped saying this CUP is the New Testament in my Blood, now we will be adding to the word of God if we put CUPS, when there is just the cup.

Now in I Tim. 2:12, But I suffer not a woman to teach nor to usurp authority over the man but to be in silence, next to I Cor. 14:34, Let your women keep silence in the Churches for it is not permitted unto them to speak, 35 V. and if they learn anything let them ask their husband at home, for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

Now, friends, when we put women in class rooms teaching classes we are adding to His word, and thereby continue to do so we will be lost. It is not God's way to do all those things.

Let us go to St. John 10:1, Verily, Verily, I say unto you he that entereth not by the door into the sheep fold, but climbeth up some other way the same is as a thief and a robber.

Now Paul said in 1 Cor. 3:3, For ye are yet carnel for where there is among you envying and strife and divisions are ye not yet carnel and walk as men. Friends there is just one way, and there is no divisions in it, and to continue to disregard the word of God we will be lost, without fail.

Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall, 1 Cor. 10:12 take heed brethren lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the Truth.

Heb. 3:12, let us therefore fear lest a promise being left us of entering into his rest any of you should see to come short of it, Heb. 4:1 For it is better if the will of God be so that you suffer for well doing than for evil doing.

Friends, when we put Cups in the church, when we put classes in the

church, when we put women teachers in the church, we are doing evil, and if we do not stop it we will be lost.

Let us read 1 Cor. 11:1-2, be ye followers of me even as I am also of Christ, now I praise you brethren remember me in all things and keep and ordinances as I delivered them unto you.

God will forgive us if we will stop teaching something God did not bind us on, Acts 8:22, Repent therefore of this thy wickedness and pray God if perhaps the thought of thine heart be forgiven you. If we confess our sins he is faithful and just, to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Again in 1 Cor. 15:1-2, Moreover brethren I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you which also you have received wherein ye stand by which also you are saved. If you keep in memory the things that I preached unto you lest you have believed in vain. But some of us won't do that, 1 Tim. 4:1, Now the spirit speaketh expressely that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils.

Let us stay with what God said and let man made doctrines alone. We are lost if we do not. Now in 2 Pet. 2:1-3, there were false prophets among the people even as there shall be false teachers among you who privily shall bring in damnable heresies even denying the Lord that bought them and bring upon themselves swift destruction and many shall follow their pernicious ways by reasons of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

Now the Church of Christ that preaches the plain Gospel don't expand so much in members simply because we don't have women teachers, classes, bread pinchers, cups, music, all because God will condemn such in the last day.

As he said in Rev. 22:18-19, they tell us to have those things in the church is all right, but we better be sure. In Eph. 5:6, we find, let no man deceive you with vain words for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. So let us not go beyond what is written.

With Love for the Truth,
Willie Doan,
Broken Bow, Okla.

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JOEL'S PROPHECY

Joel 2:28, And it shall come to pass afterward I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your old men shall dream dreams your young men shall see visions. Now we want to notice who was to prophesy, your sons and your daughters.

Who was to dream dreams, the old men. Who was to see visions, your young men. Who was to speak with new tongues, the twelve apostles. When was this to begin? It was to begin in the City of Jerusalem.

Lk. 24:49, and Lk. 24:47, tells us that repentance and remission of sins was to begin there, and they were to tarry there and wait for the promises of the father. So that they could confirm their words with signs and wond-

ers.

But did it come? Go with me to Acts 2:16, but this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel. Who was this power given to, to take up serpents, laying on of the hands, and drinking deadly poison, and such like? To no one but the twelve.

What is the difference in the way the so called healers today and the way the apostles healed? The apostles spoke the word and the person was healed, today the so called healer prays and moans, and rolls and prays more, and they get up and ask the blind, crippled, sick, or whatever might be wrong with him. If he is healed and he is still in the same shape as he was before they rolled and prayed so.

Friends, are such people confirming their words as did the apostles? You know it is not so. We have seen such as that played before, and not one case where they can make the proof of power.

But they will say, we can't do anything. It is the Lord working through us. But St. John 14:12, tells us that these works that I do shall ye do and greater works than these shall he do, then in James 2:18, it tells us to show our faith without our works and he will show his faith by his works.

FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD, it being alone, friends, it is high time we were trying some of the spirits. Don't you think so?

1 Jno. 4:1, tells us to try the spirits for there are many false spirits, gone out into the world. And to you that believe such doctrine, as this divine healing of today, you had better begin to study the scriptures and to show yourselves approved of God.

2 Tim. 2:15, and again some will say when did those gifts stop? I wish all would read I Cor. 13, All of it, but now we go to V. 9. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when that which is perfect is come that which is in part shall be done away. Question, What was the perfect thing that was to come? The old Law was imperfect. Chirst took it out of the way nailing it to his cross. Col. 2:14. Answer, in James 1:25, whosoever looketh into the perfect LAW of liberty and continue therein being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work this man shall be blessed in his deed.

So we see that the law of the Lord was perfect and when it came those things in part was to be done away, such as prophesying, healing, and drinking deadly poison, and the gift of laying on of the hands, and since the apostles died there has been no more, of such, and no more drinking deadly posion and if there is it will either kill them, or come very near of doing it.

In James 1:25, and not by their tongues, friends the reason I am writing this is because I have some very dear friends that is being deceived by such doctrine.

R. C. Clements,
Broken Bow, Oklahoma, Box 731

ARE WE ALL DOING IT?

1 Cor. 11:1, Paul said be ye followers of me even as I am of Christ. Are we all doing it? I Cor. 14:15-17, Paul said I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn you for though you have ten thousand instructors in Christ yet have ye not many Fathers, for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel, wherefore I beseech you be ye followers of me for this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus who is my beloved son and faithful in the Lord who shall bring you in remembrance of my ways which be in Christ as I teach every where in every church.

Paul taught the same every where in every church. Is that being done today? No I should say not even in the Church of Christ, but it was so important with Paul that he was sending Timothy over to Corinth, to bring his way or manner of teaching to their memory.

Could we be followers of Paul and teach all of the different doctrines that is being taught today in the different congregations of the Church of Christ? If we were, it would not, be of any use going inside to see how the services were conducted, just read the sign over the door, Church of Christ, and if all were following Paul we would know just what was being taught and practiced.

I Cor. 11:2, Paul said keep the ordinances as I have delivered them to you. Remember Paul only had one way. Is all these differences that are in the Church of Christ one way? Did Paul deliver all those differences? And say that was his ways as he taught every where in every church?

It might be a good idea if we examined ourselves whether we be in the Faith, 2 Cor. 13:5, again Paul warns in 1 Cor. 14:37 that the things he had wrote were the Commandments of the Lord.

Did the Lord Command all these differences? What are we going to do? Here is what we had better do if we can't read what we teach, and harmonize it with, 2 Tim. 3:16-17, Col. 3:17, Phil. 4:19, better leave it off and teach and practice such as do. I am sure that would be safe. Would anyone dare say it is not safe?

Yours in Christ,
W. E. Daniels, Broken Bow, Okla.

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Received a fine letter from Bro. Niemczyk;

Dear Bro. Garrison:

Received your letter with its contents. We are fine and every one here in church is fine. I am glad that the church is growing there. It is hard and slow work to get people interested in the Lord. It seems that they don't realize that the judgment day is nearer than we think.

If you come to California this summer, we do want you to visit with us. May the Lord bless and keep you in the work of our Lord Jesus Christ.

What do you think of the new translation? Wish you would write regarding it, and publish it in IT IS WRITTEN.

Yours in Christ,
Stanley Niemczyk,
737 S. Findlay Ave.,
Los Angeles, California.

Floydada, Texas
December 5, 1952

Dear Bro. Garrison:

Thought I would write about the church work at the corner of first and Grain St., in Crosbyton, Texas. We had Bro. Treat for a meeting during the summer and a young Bro. from the S. S. came over and wanted a debate on the cup question. We had one and I think they got enough to last them for a while. A week later Bro. Francis came by and preached over Snuday and Sunday night. We have four that come from Lubbock and three who comes from Lorenzo, of which we are glad. There were already six who were coming from Lorenzo. We were made glad when a brother came back to the church during our regular worship. On Nov. 22 we had a brother from Ceres, California, in a meeting, Bro. Conder. He did some fine preaching but the weather was so bad, there wasn't to many came. But we were helped greatly by the good lessons he gave. We invite any coming this way to stop and worship with us. We meet each Lords day at 10:00 o'clock. We live so far apart we don't meet on Sunday night during the winter but I suppose we will in the summer. I believe that all the congregations should write to the paper once in awhile, as there are not so many of us but what we would be glad to hear from each other. It would be encouraging to me and I am sure that it would help others I might write on a subject later but I feel that there are others that would do more good.

Your Bro. in the Faith,
R. H. Peel,
Somerton, Arizona
December 8, 1952

The church is doing fine here. Bro. Elmer H. Hunt was with us yesterday and gave us a good lesson. He was at his home congregation in Long Beach, the Sunday before and over Thanksgiving vacation from his school. We are always so very glad to have them with us.

Brotherly,
W. A. Nelson,
R. M. 7½ St.,
Somerton, Arizona.

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Grand Prairie, Texas
January 6, 1953

Dear Brethren:

We are very thankful for all the letters from each one which writes. We do appreciate the fine letter from Bro. Niemczyk, from Bro. Nelson, the fine article from Bro. Peel and the always encouraging letter from the brethren at Carlsbad, New Mexico. Those mentioned are those who are ever trying to help in the work. May the Lord bless and keep you in the faith.

Yours in Christ,
C. G.

A letter from Bro. J. D. Logan, of Ceres, Calif., Rt., 2, Box 548 states that Bro. Staley answered his letter and refused his propositions on wine,

in the Communion service saying they were unacceptable to him, but giving no reasons thereof. That alone refutes his boast of willingness to meet anyone, anywhere, at any time, on the wine question. He has the backing of the Phoenix congregation, for a pair of prop. which he forewarded to Bro. Logan, on the wine question. Bro. Logan will deny his affirmative, and also has an affrimative he will affirm. Bro. Staley stands also for the non bread breaking, as does most all of his brethren.

Propositions:

Resolved: The Scriptures Teach by Command or example, That the drink element to be used in the Communion service, The fruit of the vine, Is to be a fermented product, namely; strong grape wine.

Affirm

Deny J. D. Logan.

Resolved: The scriptures teach by command or example that the drink element to be used in the communion service, The fruit of the vine Is to be an unfermented product, namely, unfermented Juice of grapes.

Affirm J. D. Logan.

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THE SERVANT AT THE TABLE

(Continued From January Issue)

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Therefore, you cannot obey the command, "Those things ye have both learned, received, heard and seen in me do"; and call on some of those out in the audience to give thanks for either or both elements of the supper.

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Phil. 1:27. "Only let your conservation be as becometh the gospel of Christ."

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But no where in the gospel of Christ do we find the one serving at the table calling on someone in the audience to give thanks for either or both elements of the supper.

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Therefore, We cannot obey the command, "Only let your conversation be as becometh the gospel of Christ", and call on those out in the audience to give thanks for either one or both elements of the supper.

These arguments could be multiplied many times but these are sufficient for those who are satisfied with God's word.

If any one can show where Jesus or any of the apostles did any other way than the "BIBLE WAY", I am contending for, I will submit that it is also right; but till this is done, I must say; "Thy will be done".

Submitted in love of the truth and the brotherhood, and for the consideration of the brotherhood, I am your's in Christ,

W. E. Daniels, Broken Bow, Okla.

LETTERS FROM THE CHURCHES

Gilleland, Texas
Oct. 7, 1952

Dear Bro. Garrison:

Am sending you five dollars for the work of IT IS WRITTEN. Thank you Bro. Miller. Do hope the church there is at peace, and that you and Sister Miller are fine. I often think of the short time I was there with the congregation. Write any time, and especially write some good article to the paper. And thank you again.

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—C. G.
Nocona, Texas
November 20, 1952

The church here is progressing in a fine way here. Anyone that is passing this way are invited to stop and worship with us. We are sending $5.00 for IT IS WRITTEN. Thank you C. G.

Your brethren in Christ,
Church of Christ (Westside)

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Nocona, Texas
November 10, 1952
Carlsbad, New Mexico

The church at Carlsbad, continues to send their contribution to the progress of the paper. We certainly know that this is a fine example for this church here. May the Lord bless you and keep you in his truth. Thank You.

C. G.

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Plainview, Texas
November 2, 1952

Received a fine letter from a sister in Christ from this city. It is her request that her name be not mentioned. Also her support for which we are thankful.

Yours in Christ,
C. G.

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Los Angeles, California
November 18, 1952

Received a fine letter from Bro. Stanley Niemczyk of the La Habra Congregation of this city. He writes that all is well there. (We sure are made happy when churches from a far distance take interest in the paper. It is my wish that the paper be a medium in which other churches may have contact one with the other. Brethren my we take courage and continue in the things that make for peace) Thank you.

C. G.

Eola, Texas
November 19, 1952

Received a fine personal letter from Bro. S. E. Stout of this city. He writes that he is interested in the work as it should be carried on. He sends check for ten dollars. Thank you Bro. Stout. He request me to send him three copies of IT IS WRITTEN. Keep up the good work there.

C. G.

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Nocona, Texas
November 17, 1952

Dear Brethren:

Received two more letters from the church at Nocona. They wish to have their amount of papers increased from eight copies to sixteen. They too have sent in check for twenty-five dollars for IT IS WRITTEN. Many thanks for the fine support. They would also like to make it known that the church there is ready to help in a meeting where it would be most needed. The church at Nocona has some money set aside for the helping to finance a meeting or two where financial aid is needed and good can be done. Those interested should write to Irvin Walker, Rt. 2, Nocona, Texas. (This is my home congregation and of course I am especially happy to see them ready to contribute to the paper and toward spreading the Gospel.

C. G.

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Broken Bow, Okla.
Rt. 1, Box 51

I received support for the paper from the church at Elk City, Okla., Stilwell, Okla, and from the church at Broken Bow. I would like to say thanks for this support, for without the support of the brethren we could not keep on printing the little paper, and I know that it is doing a lot of good. Now I want to say that the cost of the paper up till this month has been greater than the support that has been coming in and I was wondering whether or not to write about it. So let me encourage you all to keep up the support to the paper so we can press the fight for the truth, and also keep in touch with all the faithful brethren. Let us all write in to the paper and give the location of the place where we meet, and the faithful preachers where they can be reached, and also state our needs for a meeting or whether you can help support one in places where it is needed. Let us be of those people that Paul wrote about that believes to the saving of the Soul, and NOT of them that draw back into perdition.

Yours for the cause of Christ,
Lloyd Treat