FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS QUICK, AND POWERFUL,
AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWOEDGED SWORD.

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The following article by Bro. Elmer Hunt will be printed in two consecutive issues:

"GOD,HATH IN THESE LAST DAYS SPOKEN UNTO US BY HIS SON" HEB.1:1-2

"JESUS saith unto him," (Thomas, who had asked the Lord, "Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?:) "JESUS saith unto him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by Me." How we come to Christ? "NO MAN can come to Me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall be all taught of God' "Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto Me." "SO THEN FAITH COMETH by hearing, and hearing by the WORD OF GOD". (JN. 14:5-6 and Jn. 6:44-45 and Ro. 10:17, et al.)

Therefore everyone can easily know we can never have faith to be a Catholic. WHY? Because they maintain that their big leader represents, or even is, Christ here on earth. It took more than fifty ballots to decide which one would be it. He died in a few years. The next one died lately after only 2 or 3 weeks. NOW the ONE IN is trying to get nationalities together in his grasp.

THE WORD OF GOD says: (HEB. 7:24-28)1, "Christ continueth ever", 2, "hath an unchangeable priesthood". 3, "he is able also to save to the utmost them that come unto God by Him," 4, "seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them".

NO MAN can ever be in "FAITH BY THE WORD OF GOD" and be a member of any man

made "CHURCH OF JESUS OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS",following any BOOK OF MORMON. WHY? BECAUSE we read in 2 Pet. 1:2: "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our LORD, According as His divine power hath given" (already provided when this was written) "unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue."(Call by Gospel 2Th.2)

SO ON AND ON. NO MAN can ever even think himself into "another GOSPEL. There is no other. Please read over and over Gal. 1:6-9.
IN Matthew, Ch. 7:21, CHRIST very emphatically says: "Not every ONE that saith unto Me, LORD, LORD, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven;but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in Heaven." THE WORLD will presume, argue, PLEAD. Even one quote is enough; as CHRIST(v.22): "Many will say to ME in that day,. Christ's answer in v.23: "I never knew you: DEPART from Me, ye that work iniquity.: All man- made groups, churches, kingdoms, idols, gospels are presumptions. ALL SUCH SHALL DIE (Deu. 13:20+ Mat. 15:13 + Jn. 3:8, many others).

MANY, MANY NEW MADE GROUPS in this world today- "WOULD PERVERT THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST" (Gal. 1:7 and would argue with CHRIST JESUS. He definitely tells all such they are "THAT WORK INIQUITY"(Mt. 7:23) NO MAN, GROUP, OR IDOL (Or AN ANGEL FROM HEAVEN -Gal. 1:3) can say: "Millions now living will never die; or can say that "Jesus is to come to this earth a second time to set up a kingdom" or set their date when ; or then change the date. GOD'S WORD SAYS: "IN ADAM ALL DIE", " IT IS APPOINTED UNTO MEN ONCE TO DIE", "Take ye heed watch andpray: for ye know not when the time is." "BEHOLD HE cometh with clouds and every eye shall see HIM." "Surely I come quickly" "Even so, come,LORD JESUS" "Unto Him" (God) "be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus" (Christ's Church, His Body, Kingdom) (other versions"and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations") GOD'S WORD. "HIS WILL BE DONE."

"AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE"

"THEN SAID JESUS unto those Jews which believed on him, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed. And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

ISAIAH SAID (Is. 8:20) "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" His very first chapter had said: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." And chapter 2 "IN the last days (version"LATTER") "the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established and all nations: (Many people") SHALL FLOW UNTO IT" "and the WORD OF THE LORD ("shall go forth") from JERSUALEM"

IN THE BEGINNING (the 6th day thereof) God made man and the woman, and put them in the garden of Eden; and commanded that: "Of every tree of the

garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die". "The serpent said 'Ye shall NOT surely die". BOTH SAID " I did eat". THEY BOTH DIED. "IN ADAM ALL DIE". Inspired WORD said so. Other things therein: 1. GOD put enmity between the Devil's seed and the woman's seed;

2. "And the Lord God said " and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever" . So God "drove out the man; and he placed Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way to keep THE WAY of the tree of life. "How can we escape?

3. GOD PROMISED ABRAM: A COVENANT,confirmed by oath: "That in blessing I will bless thee and I WILL MULTIPLY thy seed and in thy SEED shall all the nations of the earth be blessed" (Gen. 12:1-3 22:15-18; Heb. 6:13-20 Gal. 3:15-18) Verse 16, "And to thy seed which is Christ" VERSE 19: "Wherefore then serveth the LAW?"IT WAS ADDED" (Added to what? To the promise, to the covenant.) "Because of transgressions till the seed should come (CHRIST) to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator." (See Ac. 7:53)

4. (1Cor. 15: 20-23 "But Now is Christ risen from the dead'. "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

(To be continued)

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"TRUE WORSHIP - A WAY OF LIFE"

You have before you the true prospect of life eternal under the Kingdom of God. As you have seen, this prospect is solidly based in the truth of God's own word. It's attainment is within your reach, if you truly love God and worship Him by,*"walking in the truth." (2 John 1-4)*

True worship means more than just knowing the truth. It means even more than speaking and proclaiming the truth to others. It means believing and acting on the truth, *"walking in the truth,"* by putting it to work in our daily lives. (James 1:22-25) True worship so influenced the daily lives of early Christians that it became known as "The Way," and the Way of the truth. (Acts9:2) & (2Peter2:2) It is the"way" marked out by God for all true worshippers to live their lives as they strive for the goal of eternal life.

So, our worship of God cannot be something separate from the rest of our life. Rather, we must apply the truth of His word in every activity of life. *"Whether you are eating or drinking or doing anything else, do all things for God's glory." (1 Cor. 10:31) & (Col. 3:17)* Our every action should harmonize with the truth of God's word, and so bring glory to God. This will be for our lasting happiness. *The righteous principles of His words do*

not change according to place of dwelling or personel circumstance. They are always true, always right. (Psalm 119:142)

If you really do practice "True Worship," what will it do for you now? It will bring your whole life into harmony with God's way. His words tells us to : *Put away the old personality which conforms us to your former course of conduct... you should be made new in the force actuating your mind, and should put on the new personality which was created by God's will in true righteousness and loyalty."* (Ephesians 4:22-24) We live in the most blessed time of all human history. Soon, God and his Son will rid the universe of all enemies God's Kingdom. What a joy it will be to live under righteous conditions in the paradise, heaven, free from suffering, sorrow, and death! You can have full confidence in that hope, because *"God cannot lie."* (Titus1:2) Look ahead to that blessed prospect, then and never forsake the worship of God. Keep on in the way of the truth, for *"the world is passing away and so is it's desire, but he that does the will of God abideth forever."* 1JN.2:17)

Thank you,

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"As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."
(Prov. 25:25)

The Christian Courier:

We here at Port Orchard wish to thank all of the visiting brethren who helped us with their presence during our meeting in charging up our spiritual batteries. We had visitors from Lorenzo, Texas; Lakeside, Calif.; Cresswell, Ore.; and many brethren from Yakima, Wash.

We are very happy to announce two new members added to the body of Christ Kelly Forsman, daughter of Ellis & Lynell Forsman, Port Orchard; and Danny McCay, son of Jerry & Meg McCay, Yakima, Wash.

Our speaker throughout the week was brother Harry Dye from Parker, Arizona. Many thanks to him for the effort he has put forth here.

If anyone knows of any person(s) living in the Seattle (or Puget Sound) area and needs a place to worship, please contact Ellis Forsman, 8822-12th S.W. Seattle, Wash. 98106. We recently heard of one such case which we have followed up on, and were wondering if there were others. Sometimes someone is here in the armed services stationed at McChord AFB(air force), Fort Lewis (army) or Bremerton Naval Shipyard (navy) or just moved to this area. Do you know of any such person? If so, please contact us.

In Christian Love,
Ellis P. Forsman
Glenwood, Wash.

Dear Brethren,

Most of the summer and our meeting is now behind us.

We enjoyed a wonderful gospel meeting this year. Our speakers Bros. Cliff and Jerry Brockman did a great work giving us by nurture and admonition from God's word. They did their part, now it's up to us to enrich our lives from the lessons we heard.

Our hearfelt thanks to each of you who made the effort and took the time to support them and us during our meeting.

To those of you who could have come, but didn't my heart goes out to you. I pray that God will allow you time to make up for your lack of effort. Please don't neglect the great salvation that God through Jesus Christ offers freely.

Healthwise, all here are doing well. Sister Eunice is on the road to recovery following her surgery and illness. We praise God's name and power for this.

Come and meet with us when you can. Our homes and our hearts are open unto you. God bless you in your work unto him in Jesus Christ name.

We meet Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. 9914 Arkansas, Bellflower, Cal.
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Yours in the fight for Christ,
Al Way

NOTE 1

Back in March, 1979, an explanation and inquiry was sent to each individual and congregation then receiving the Courier. The inquiry concerned whether or not you wanted to continue to receive the Courier. In the following three months we received 30 replies with several apologies for being tardy. We have also received many complaints. If an error has been made, we cannot take credit for it. Either the Post Office did not deliver the Courier and notice to you. or, not expecting to receive such a notice, you overlooked it.

We regret that there are those desiring the Courier that did not receive it. A simple letter informing us that you are not getting it and wish to, would be sufficient. But it pains our hearts to hear of brethren casting doubts upon the competency of brethren who are trying to the best of their ability to keep the Courier going. We want everyone that desires the Courier to receive

it; but we have to be notified that you want it.

If you know of anyone who is not receiving the Courier, but wishes to, then please send us a note or call. It is only through the cooperation of the entire brotherhood that we can keep the Courier productive.

NOTE 2

Four years ago, when the Courier moved to Yakima, there was a general consensus that it would be beneficial for a different congregation to publish the Courier every three years of so. This was mentioned again at the Mendocino Camp Meeting. We now bring this to the attention of all congregations who receive the Courier.

If you, as a congregation, desire to undertake this service, or would like to express some concerns as to who the recipient should be, then please contact us. We, at Yakima, feel that there are many congregations who are competent and would benefit from the experience. Think about it and let us know.

In Christian Love,
Yakima Congregation

Make plans to attend the camp meeting of the Happy Hollow Church of Christ brethren. Big Spruce Camp meeting, June 22-29, 1980, Happy Hollow Church of Christ, Cedaredge, Delta, Colo. 81416. For further information contact:

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OBITUARY

Brother Forrest Franklin Francis was born in Grayson county, Texas on March 6, 1888. He departed this life on April 15, 1979 at Cimarron Memorial Hospital in Boise City, Oklahoma, at the age of 91 years, one month and 11 days.

On February 27, 1912 he was united in marriage to Millye Baxter. To this union were born six children.

In 1936 the family moved to Cimarron County, Oklahoma, and in 1943 they moved to Union County, New Mexico, 10 miles northwest of Kenton Oklahoma where he engaged in ranching until he retired in 1963. At the age of 16 he was baptized into the Church of Christ and remained a faithful worker until his death. Brother Francis was laid to rest in the Kenton Cemetery in the

hill country that he loved.

ABOUT A MINUTE

In an old school book I read: 'Lost: yesterday, between sunrise and sun set, two golden hours, each set with 60 diamond minutes. No reward is offered for they are gone forever."

Yes, we have two great gifts that go along with life. We cannot waste either without great loss to ourselves. We may fool ourselves into thinking that little things do not matter, but they are really the only things that do.

A minute may seem little, but it is large enough for the greatest people to build their lives upon.

You may say 'thank you' several times in 60 seconds. You can launch a cheery word to some discouraged pal in a minute. You can look up from the dining table and thank your mother or sisters or your wife for the artisty of the cooking.

You can get a new idea in a minute, or learn something well worth remembering in the same short time.

It takes but a minute to read 10 verses of the Bible. You can change the course of your life in a minute.

You can sing a stanza of some cheery song, or let a prayer for personal guidance run through your mind. A phone call to inquire about a sick friend takes but a minute.

The use of minutes makes or mars our days and when it's all over, it takes only a minute to stop breathing.

Let us use our minutes for the work of the Lord - it will only take a minute for Christ to say, " *depart from me or enter in those good and faithful servents.*

Submitted in the love of Christ's Kingdom,
Bro. Al Way

Dear Brethren,

Thought we would write and let everyone know how our congregation was doing. We so enjoy getting the Courier as it allows us to keep in touch with congregations from all over.

We had our revival June 24, 1979 through July 1, held by Brother Richard Johnston of Yakima, Wa. The revival was held at Pleasant View Church of Christ at Stilwell for the first half of the week and finished off the latter part of the week at Baron Church of Christ. We all had an opportunity to become very well acquainted with Bro. Johnston and his lovely family, enjoyed his well planned lessons and miss them all very much now. Its refreshing to meet young people so earnest in Christ.

This year we built a picnic table on the grounds at our church and have since enjoyed it tremendously with dinners and ice cream parties, ball games and so on. We are in hopes of building on more to our church building to add on bathrooms this year.

Most all of our members are well right now and enjoying the summer. Anyone vacationing or just in our area for some reason, we would love to have you attend services with us and spend some time with us. Our new address: P.O. Box 46.

Your brothers and sisters in Christ,
Pleasant View Church of Christ
Bro. Darrell Chastain
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1980 MEETINGS

DATE	HOST	LOCATION	SPEAKERS
June 22-29	Cedaredge, Co.	Big Spruce?	Camp
	Yakima, Wa.	Yakima	Camp