

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

“Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.”—Jude 3

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It is Near—Even at the Doors

“This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.” Matt. 24:14. The FULL GOSPEL that Jesus and His apostles preached is now fast spreading to all nations as a witness, and a sign to us that our Lord’s coming is near.

THE RESTORATION OF THE FAITH.

How soon after Pentecost the early church went into darkness. They lost the gifts, the power, the purity and the faith and went into deep darkness. Finally men were crawling up stairs and doing penance to get forgiveness of sins.

Then God raised up a man to preach justification by faith, and it became established in the church amid great opposition and persecution. Then the Word of God that had been hidden in convents and chained to pulpits was brought to light and put into the hands of the people through the printing press, and God began to put the Word back into the hearts of the people.

Time went on and He raised up another man to teach sanctification by faith. Some who dared to receive it and teach it were dragged about the streets by the hair of their head, but they stood, and the light of the doctrine of sanctification as a second work of grace has been shining in the church ever since.

Then God, in His divine mercy, put divine healing back into the church. Many have testified in their churches that God healed their bodies and have been forbidden to speak of it any more. But man cannot quench this thing. It is from heaven. It is of God. It is His Word. He has healed thousands since then, and the truth has come to stay, that healing is in the atonement of Jesus Christ.

Then He revealed the soon coming of the Lord. God has always had a people that would dare to stand for His truth when He revealed it. Many are teaching that when Christ comes into your soul, that is the second coming of Christ. Away with such teaching. Christ is coming as literally as He went away, for the angels said after He was taken up, as the disciples stood gazing upward, “This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.” And He has a people today that will believe it. When He comes, His brightness is going to draw them up to meet Him.

Then the time came that God brought the baptism of the Holy Ghost back into His church. Praise God it has come. Pentecost ushered in the early rain when Christ organized His church, but do you know the latter rain has come? And who are going to receive it? He is calling His church to come and partake of His supper, and sending His servants to tell them that all things are now ready. He has saved and sanctified many of them and now they can accept or reject the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Many are rejecting and opposing, and some even go so far as to say it is of the devil. But men cannot stop this latter rain. It has already spread over the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Western Europe, Egypt, Africa, India, China, Australia, the islands of the sea, and old Jerusalem, where it first fell. God is back of it and it is going to remain in His church till He comes.

Some years ago, Hudson Taylor prophesied before a company of missionaries of the war between Russia and Japan and its outcome, which came to pass. He also said it would be followed by a

great revival which would begin in Western Europe and spread over the world, and that this would be followed by the soon coming of the Lord. We have seen the great Wales revival, and following after it, the outpouring of the Spirit in Los Angeles three years ago, which has so rapidly spread over the world, thousands being saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, speaking with new tongues, and miracles of healing being done in the name of Jesus, and saints are now looking, the world over, for the soon coming of our Lord.

The Wales revival stirred up the churches to praying for a revival. In Los Angeles, three years ago, the Methodists were praying for a revival, the Baptists wanted one in their churches, the Christian Alliance, and the missions were all praying for the outpouring of the Spirit, expecting it would come in their denomination, but, praise God, it came where He wanted it. It came without church creed or denomination but it came with the doctrine of the Lord Jesus Christ. It was through the prayers of all those people, but it fell where God wanted it, and He left it with the churches to humble themselves to accept the answers to their prayers. It was the will of God that Pentecost should fall on a few colored people who were sanctified and tarrying before Him for the power of God as on the day of Pentecost, believing that the same signs would follow as at the beginning. So the Holy Ghost fell on them as dew from heaven and the news spread to God’s people everywhere.

This latter rain has been undenominational ever since. They have tried to organize and to corner up this mighty baptism of the Holy Ghost, but they will never do it. It is as free as the air you breathe. It makes no difference what church you belong to, if you will get down before God and get clearly justified and then get sanctified wholly, the baptism of the Spirit will come on your life.

Now our Christ wants to give the gifts to His body, the church. He has given a measure of faith, yet not the gift of faith. But He longs to give the gifts. He is trying to get a people that will lay aside every weight and be so separated from the world, and bring their minds so into captivity to the obedience of Christ that He can pour these gifts upon us. He is now burnishing up some of His people and humbling them down at His feet where they will be nothing and lean on nothing but Jesus alone. Then we can feel our weakness enough that He can make us strong. We have not reached the place where God can open the heavens and pour the gifts on us yet, so that we can say to the cripple, “Rise up and walk in the name of Jesus,” and to the dead, “Arise.” God is now healing in a wonderful way but we have not the gift of healing yet. We bless God for what He is doing: even the presence of some of His little ones in the sick chamber will heal the sick and anointed handkerchiefs are healing many as in the days of the apostles; but God wants us to tarry till we receive the real gift. He is going to restore the gifts back to His church and we believe they will be given before Jesus

returns. Praise His name.

Many messages are being given through the unknown tongue and understood by those who hear them in their own language, that Jesus is coming soon.

God opened the deaf ears of an old man in San Jose. He was so deaf that we had to put our mouth to his ear to make him hear at all. But, oh, Jesus made him whole. He went out of the house his face shining like an angel. Had never before had the witness of his salvation, but he got it when he was healed.

A little mother in Oakland came with her baby to the Mission to be healed, saying that unless God worked a miracle the doctors would have to operate on his leg in three days. The child was instantly healed and his mother came to the meeting afterward weeping for joy and praising God for his deliverance. We do not need a surgeon when we have Jesus Christ.

A child in the hospital in Portland was not expected to live. Its head had been operated on in two places. The saints took a handkerchief that had been anointed and prayed over and laid it on the child’s head, and in two hours after that, the child was able to be taken home on the street car.

The last time we had the Lord’s Supper in Portland, the Lord was saving, sanctifying and baptizing with the Holy Ghost, and all was going on as we took the Lord’s Supper. Some of the saints fell under the power of God, and the Lord spoke to one sister and said that the gifts were soon to be given, and a number received the witness that we are soon to see God’s power manifested in a marvelous way.

“A few days ago, the doctors said I would have to undergo an operation and I told them that Jesus would heal me and when the saints laid their hands on me the healing virtue of Jesus went through my body and I stand completely healed before you tonight as a living witness to Jesus. Who has more right to praise Jesus than I? I am glad that He saved my soul and I yielded my heart to Him and I am so glad that I have taken Him for my healer, Savior, sanctifier and baptizer. Oh, He has done so much for me. I praise my Savior.”—Testimony in San Francisco.

Recently a man came to the altar who had been a sinner for 52 years. He hated this people but God brought him here. The Spirit said to one of the workers, “He has a devil that must be cast out of him.” So taking the Word, “In my name shall they cast out devils,” we went and rebuked the devil. And the man jumped to his feet and began praising God up and down the aisle and hugged the man that prayed for him, and said, “I love you. I hated you and used to hate to see your Wagon on the street, but now I love you.” He is now rejoicing in the Lord.

One night when some workers from Portland were in the Mission in San Francisco, just as the altar call was made, some fell under the power and one got his baptism and immediately began to speak in tongues. A young man on the platform also went down under the power and had a vision of Jesus coming in the clouds with the angels with Him. Others fell all about the altar. Some were

saved and sanctified. It was a wonderful night.

A man in Oakland who had crippled hands and was unable to work, had been a morphine fiend and used to sell shoe strings on the streets of Oakland for a living, got saved in the Apostolic Faith Mission. God baptized him with the Holy Ghost, and at the same time, the power began to work in his crippled hands and the fingers straightened out and his hands were perfectly healed. He can work now as well as anyone. He holds up his hands and testifies what God has done for him and is rejoicing in the Lord and is at work.

One night in San Francisco after a hard battle against all opposing forces, just as the altar call was made, the power fell and one of the workers saw a fire, as it were, burst out from the altar and the faces of the people changed and they pressed forward and filled the altar and the space about it. It was a time when souls found the Lord.

A young man in San Jose who had been around the world, was a drunkard, cigarette fiend and gambler. While he was lying in the delirium tremens at one time, he saw the name “Apostolic Faith Mission” come before him again and again. He had seen it in passing up the street but did not know what it meant. But when he got over the delirium tremens, he went and hunted up the place and went in and got saved. He gives a beautiful testimony of what God has done for him. The appetite for drink and cigarettes was instantly taken away from him. He is standing true and has a good position where he could hold none before.

I want to praise God for this lovely way. I love my Savior with all my heart. I am going all the way with Him. I tell you I am not ashamed of Him. Oh, I have Jesus in my heart, and where Jesus is it is heaven there. I have Jesus inside. Oh, I praise Him for all He has done for me. I cannot praise Him enough. —*A boy’s testimony.*

A sister in San Francisco, whose mother had died of cancer, found that she had one also, and the doctor told her she must have it taken out right away, but she went to the Lord and took Him at His word and He has completely healed her.

A mother in Oakland came and asked prayers for her son, who was working in a theater and was a cigarette fiend. The saints prayed and the Lord took away the appetite for cigarettes from him and later removed him from the theater. This same mother asked prayers for her unsaved husband, and he was saved a few days afterward.

In the San Francisco Mission, there is a man who was Sergeant on the police force for years, who is now 76 years old and is baptized with the Holy Ghost and filled with the love of God. He says that when he gets up to speak in the Mission, he often sees Jesus with His arms outstretched, hanging on the cross with five bleeding wounds, inviting sinners to come.

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Those who cannot give should feel just as free to ask for this paper, because it is the Lord's paper and this Gospel is as free as the air we breathe. Settle with the Lord about it, and if you want to do something for Him, perhaps you could distribute some papers to hungry souls. Send for a roll and say how many you could use. Jesus is coming soon and we want to do all we can to get this Gospel to every creature as our Lord commanded us. He is preparing people for His coming through this silent Gospel work of sending the little white-winged messengers.

JESUS IS COMING.

These days as we get down before God, we hear it resounding in our ears that Jesus is coming soon. He wants His people to band together as never before and tell a lost world that He is coming soon.

Coming for His Bride.

He is coming in the clouds for His bride, and we shall be caught up to meet Him. (I Thess. 4:16,17.) His bride is not going through the tribulation but is going to be caught up in the air to the marriage supper of the Lamb. Just as soon as His bride is ready, Jesus is coming. We must hasten to be ready with oil, which is the Holy Ghost, in our vessels, with our lamps, for if we are not ready when He comes, the door will be shut. (Matt. 25:1-13.) Those that are going up when Jesus comes are the overcomers, those that have the "all things common" spirit.

"As a Thief in the Night"

"The Father alone knows the day that is set." Jesus said, "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only." He is coming as a thief in the night to steal away His jewels. Who are His jewels? The overcomers through the Blood of the Lamb. Those that are purified, made white and tried. Those that have had all manner of evil said about them falsely and borne it. They never failed to hold up the Bloodstained banner of the cross in their homes and everywhere they went. He is going to come in the clouds for them some night, and the very presence of His coming is going to draw up His jewels. When jewels are stolen, you do not know till morning that they are gone.

One Shall Be Taken and Another Left.

The world is going to wake up some morning and find a few saints gone from every city. They will miss some member of the family, or some humble colored woman from the kitchen. "Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left." Matt. 24:40-41. Jesus is going to catch away His people. It seems like a fairy tale to those that are not ready, but to those that are ready, it is a reality.

"As It Was in the Days of Noe,"

so will it be when our Lord comes. Some will have neglected to line up to the Word, and the cry will come, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh." Dear ones, are we ready today to go out to meet Jesus? We do not know that the sun will set before the Son of Man cometh.

People, Jesus is coming soon, and He wants us to have on the whole armor of God and watch unto prayer and be faithful at the throne. Paul commanded us to pray always and to hold up the hands that hang down. Oh, there is work for us to do, and we can be occupied till Jesus comes. He says, "Occupy till I come." We shall not have to occupy long. Jesus is at our very

door. We have no time except to become united as one in the Word and get to saving souls.

The Marriage Supper of the Lamb

will take place in the air at the coming of the Lord. We know that Satan, the prince of the power of the air, is now settling down closer and closer to the earth, and when Jesus comes, he will be cast down to the earth. When Jesus said, "I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven," it was prophetic of the last days. Then the great tribulation will begin. But just before that, the saints will be caught up. There are only a few overcomers, but Jesus is holding back the wrath of God on account of that few. And when they are caught away, the tribulation will burst forth and God will smite the earth with plagues and judgments.

He Will Reward His Saints.

At the marriage supper of the Lamb, the saints will be rewarded for their works. (Luke 19:15.) It is not what man sees that we will be rewarded for, but what God sees that we did in the Spirit. If we did anything to be seen of men, we shall receive no reward for that. The prayers that are bottled up in golden bowls in heaven are those only that are prayed in the Spirit, and they are going to be poured out on the earth. How faithful we ought to be in prayer when we know that the prayers of the saints are being preserved in heaven. Christ will give us our rewards, some over ten cities, some over five. (Luke 19:17-19.)

Christ Revealed From Heaven.

Then He will come back with ten thousand of His saints in power and great glory, and all the holy angels with Him. Every eye shall see Him. Then will the knees bend and the tongues confess and call for the rocks and the mountains to cover them. But it will be too late. They will see the saints and martyrs of Jesus and we, the last saints, shall be with Him. Those that have the Herod spirit, the spirit that persecutes the Child Jesus, will behold Him.

Don't you think it will pay to be faithful? Peter and Paul were always looking forward to "that blessed hope." And Jesus looked forward to the joy that was set before Him when He endured the cross. And He is now set down at the right hand of the throne of God, while we go through the sufferings to fill up the measure of the sufferings of Christ. It is wonderful that God has chosen us. Can we afford to compromise with hypocrites or false teachers? Let us keep our eyes on the skies.

We Shall Reign With Him.

Jesus is coming to be King over all the earth and reign from shore to shore and He is going to let us rule with Him a thousand years. We are coming back with Him on white horses to bring to a close the tribulation, and we shall sit with the glorified Christ in His throne. Then after the great white throne judgment and the new heavens and new earth, we shall reign with Him forever and ever. O beloved, are you ready?

The Earth Is Groaning for the Coming of Jesus.

The whole earth today is groaning for the coming back of Jesus. (Rom. 8:22,23.) Even the grass and trees are none of them growing as luxuriantly as they will be then. (Isa. 55:13.) All nature is dwarfed, waiting for the coming of Christ.

And how much more are we groaning. We know that we are washed in the Blood and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and walking in all the light of the truth, but there is something in our hearts that is longing and groaning for redemption. "Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God."

This is a body of corruption, and there is

something in us that is groaning for that glorified body when this mortal shall put on immortality. Then we shall have just what we were created for. We shall be in the image of God. We shall be like Him. I John 3:2 and shall be "like unto his glorious body."

The mighty power that brought Jesus from the dead is going to transform us. These bodies are to be redeemed and glorified. We shall leave off these old grave clothes and put on incorruption. It will pay us to suffer with Christ and be full overcomers, for there is a wonderful reward for those that endure unto the end.

Jesus Only.

This work is not to build up some great organization but to get souls saved and get them into oneness with Christ. We are recognizing God as the head in this work. We are done with the flesh and man-made plans of building up churches. It is, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD." Our doctrine is the doctrine of Christ and His apostles. Our creed is the creed of the Book. Our credentials come right from heaven. The authority that backs us up is not from bishops, popes or missionary boards, but from God.

When you tarry at the feet of Jesus and receive the Third Person of The Trinity, God slips the ring of authority on your finger. And when you lose that you might as well take a back seat. God's ministers are recognized by the power on their lives. Paul said he would "know, not the speech of them which are puffed up, but the power." If Paul should come back and judge the ministers by the power on their lives, they would most of them have to go out of business.

God's ministers are a flame of fire. He wants men and women on fire. The Holy Ghost is dynamite and fire in your soul. He is the lightning. He strikes men down with conviction through the preaching of the Word, slays and makes alive.

The Secret of Power.

The power is continually on the work in Portland. Why? Because they are always working for souls. There is a body of saints that are united, filled with love and standing in the doctrines of Christ. There is no compromise, fanaticism or false doctrine. No collections for work or workers have ever been taken since Pentecost fell, but the work stands for faith in God and a free Gospel.

The saints keep busy getting souls saved. It is their meat and drink to lead a soul to Jesus or pray for the sick. After the day's work is over and the altar cleared at night, they will pray over handkerchiefs for the sick at a distance and pray over sacks of papers to be mailed. Then they will often kneel at the altar and pray for the faith once delivered unto the saints. One night long after midnight, some saints were still in the Mission and a man came in who had got under such conviction that he could not sleep and came back and got saved.

This Gospel has started people back to reading their Bible. They have stopped gossiping and gone to reading their Bibles. It is nothing to see people studying the Word on the street cars and on the boat and even as we pass the bridge, we can see some leaning on the rail and reading the Bible. You need to ask Jesus to save your soul if you do not love the Word of God, because a soul that is under the Blood has a hunger for the Word. These people are crying out day and night, "Oh if we only had more time to study the Word."

This is not a Gospel that tears down homes, but builds up homes. It has brought such joy and peace to homes and families. There are many happy homes where father, mother, and children have

been brought in and baptized with the Holy Ghost. They are homes of praise and rejoicing and they are going out and telling the glad story. We teach the mothers to do their work well, keep the home and children clean and get their husband's meals on time. A woman in Minneapolis, who had been sick and was hardly able to do her work, came to the Mission as a backslider and was saved and healed. Her husband had been fighting the work, but when he came home and found his wife healed and the work all done up, he said that if that was what this Gospel was doing for homes, he wanted to go. He went to the Mission himself and got saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. They both were baptized the same night.

The Spirit Asks the Blessing.

This Pentecostal blessing is so sweet. When you gather around the table to bless the food in Jesus' name, the Lord blesses it Himself. In San Francisco as the workers gathered in one of the precious homes where they have the "all things common" spirit, and all in one accord, the power fell on the table and all were filled with the Holy Ghost. The Spirit Himself sang through us and asked the blessing through one brother in the unknown tongue, which was understood by an Italian in his own language. It was, "*Manciate. Questo e benedetto. Siate buoni soldati. Lora e vi cini.*"—*Eat this. It is blest. Be good soldiers. The time is nigh.* How many times the Spirit has said that the time is near. We ought to be watching and ready for His coming. The dear saints felt honored to have Jesus speak a message and give the interpretation at their table and they have it written on a motto in their humble kitchen as a remembrance.

"Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled."

Jesus said to His disciples when He was about to go away and He perceived that their hearts were troubled, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." Oh, our God wants us to believe in Jesus. He is the same today and He is in the world in spirit and is looking down into the hearts of men and women and reading their thoughts. He can see if you have a broken heart and you need the oil. Oh, God says to you, "Let not your heart be troubled... believe also in me."

Oh, have you tasted, have you seen, do you know that the Lord is good? Hallelujah to God, He blots out sin and takes out pride and everything that annoys, and He will give you peace like a river flowing in your soul. The billows can roll and the storms howl but there is something down in your soul that says, "Peace be still." "Let not your heart be troubled."

A mother in Portland had a boy who had been afflicted with spasms for years. She said the death rattle was in his throat, but it ceased and she believed he was dead. But the power of God brought him back and he raised up in bed and asked his mother for a drink of water. God is confirming His Word with signs and wonders in a mighty way. The reason there are not more signs seen is because His Word is not wrought out in the lives of His people.

When the disciples had been toiling all night and had caught nothing, Christ stood on the shore and called to them, "Children, have ye any meat?" Then He spoke the word with authority and made the sea give up its fishes. Jesus is saying to every one of us, "Children, have ye any meat?" Oh, He is the meat. He is the Bread of Life. He is saying, "Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find." If you obey the voice of Jesus, you shall find life more abundant.

FAITH.

We must have faith that the Blood of Jesus Christ can cleanse us from all sin, and through that faith we are born again. We must believe that Jesus is the Christ. We have never seen him, our hands have never handled Him, but we believe the report that we have heard of the prophets and apostles. We know that He died and shed His Blood and arose. Jesus is the beginning and ending of our faith.

Now we have faith enough to believe that He can and does blot out our sins and we have the witness in our souls that we are the children of God, we have the beginning of faith. Then we can have faith that the Blood will be applied and take out the old carnal nature of sin. We receive it through faith in God. "By grace are ye saved through faith."

Then if God can give us faith enough to believe that Christ can eradicate sin and make us free from the pollution and nature of sin and death and transform us and renew us by the Spirit, cannot we have faith enough in God to trust Him to do all things? He wants us to have faith in God. And believing the thing that we see is not faith, it is believing what we do not see. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

People come to get healed and there is a doubt in their heart whether the Lord will heal them now. But if we believe that the Son of God that can forgive sins is also able to touch our mortal body, we shall be healed. When? Now, right now. If we will believe it, we have receiving faith, and it will be done unto us.

As far as the world was concerned, Abraham and Sarah were dead, but God told him his seed should be as the sand of the sea and as the stars of heaven. Think of the impossibility of his being the Father of nations. Now God loves us just as much as He did Abraham, and if we get down before Him and ask Him for a thing and believe it, He will do it for us. God has promised us great things, but we must have faith. Often the promise is not fulfilled, because we do not believe. It is one thing for God to promise and another thing for us to have faith that it shall be done. His promise and our faith linked together bring it to pass. If we will hold on, He will fulfill it. We can lose it if we lose faith. He will promise, and then we must keep our faith up, that the thing will be brought to pass. All we get is only through faith in Jesus Christ. If we ask Him in faith nothing wavering, we shall see the thing fulfilled.

"It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is the Father's pleasure that we should be well. It is His pleasure that we should have faith, for without faith it is impossible to please Him. Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. The people today that are full of faith are not those always that have read the Word so much, but those who have it wrought out in their lives, those who believe the Word of God. They believe it enough that they have it in their hearts and it is working out in their lives. Oh, it means so much to have the Word of God wrought out in our souls. There is nothing impossible with God, and if you get the Word, the Blood and the Spirit in your life, you can step out on the promises and see Him perform miracles in your own life and the lives of others.

How we praise God that we have the Word, the faith of God, coming back into the church. Jude said, "Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." God is trying to get a people that will trust for the little things, and then He will give them the greater things. He cannot trust us with the "faith which was once delivered," if we have not faith for our night's lodging, clothes to put on our backs and our daily food. He is looking for people today that will launch out and trust God, and when He gets a people that believe Him and can trust Him for food and raiment, He can give us more

faith. He wants us to look up and believe that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. He is the Author of our faith, the One that starts you and the One that causes you to go on unto perfection.

If Jesus looked forward to the joy set before Him, how much more ought we. It is wonderful to be saved, and then the greater glory when Christ comes and enthrones Himself in our soul, and then when the mighty glory of the Spirit comes down, it seems there is not room enough to contain it and it just overflows and waters every place where we go. But it will be a greater joy when we meet Jesus and see His face and cast our crowns at His feet and are forever with the Lord.

Jesus is now interceding before the throne that our faith fails not. While multitudes fail, these little words come before us, "He abideth faithful." Do you know that Jesus will abide faithful? Every one may fail but you can keep those words in your hearts, "He abideth faithful." He will finish what He has begun in us if we will judge Him faithful.

"Consider him that endured." Oh, when we get weary and grow weak in our faith, let us look at Jesus, who endured such contradiction of sinners that we might have the fountain of life in us. He gave the faith unto the church that we might not use any carnal weapons, but the weapon of faith in Jesus Christ in our souls.

If it were not for the living faith that comes into our souls through the Word of God, when your family is going into sin, you would give up hope; but through faith in God, you look up and hope against hope. This hope in the soul maketh not ashamed. Hallelujah to God. How many mothers have looked at their children in sin and said, "I wonder if there is power enough in the Blood to take this child out of sin and get them to take the narrow way?" Yes, there is power, but we must believe God. As long as there is a doubt in our mind, that is not faith. You must look unto Jesus nothing wavering. "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"

A CHURCH ON A MOUNTAIN.

A brother in Santa Rosa dreamed that he saw on a mountain a large statue of a woman in solemn pose. (We know that God does give dreams, for He says, "*Your old men shall dream dreams.*") The brother told this dream to some of the saints and they said, "The woman represents a church on the mountains. The Lord wants you to go up on the mountain and preach the Gospel." He had a little claim up on the mountain and he and his wife went up and pitched their tent. The enemy would tell him, "There is no use for you to hold meetings, they are too far down in sin for you to tackle." But they announced meetings in the tent where they were living.

The children came at first and became interested. They told the parents and they finally came. Then they held meetings in a little maple grove on a small flat and the fire began to fall and the Spirit to work. The Lord sent them another helper. Finally one man said, "I want you to pray for me." They prayed a few minutes and he jumped up shouting and went to pleading with his folks, trying to get them saved.

Then they got permission to hold meetings in the schoolhouse. The first Sunday, the people were melted up and lined the altar seeking the Lord. An old German mother of over 80 years of age had been praying for years that her children and their families might be saved. She had six sons and one daughter with their families. She was all melted up and prayed in German. Her boys were all drunkards and God saved them all. One of them used to haul wood to Santa Rosa, spend all the money for liquor and leave his family

destitute. Since he was saved, he has gained thirty pounds in weight. He used to be found in an old shed, drunk, and now his face is shining. Where these men once visited the saloons and spent their money, now they pass by the saloons singing and praising God. Over thirty souls were saved and eight received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The meetings are still going on.

Any Christian workers that would like to distribute Pentecostal Chinese papers or tracts for unsaved Chinese among the Chinese of their city, can send their requests to the Apostolic Faith, and we will send in the orders to the editor of the Chinese paper in Hong Kong, China. They are published free.

Self Must Die to Bring Forth Fruit Unto God.

The Lord gave a message in the unknown tongue with interpretation, in San Francisco, which was in substance as follows:

"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone. Our Savior's hands were pierced for you and me, His feet were pierced through with the cruel nails.

"But if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. Popular trees have grown up in God's fruit bearing orchard to be seen of men. Butchers have been hired to do the work of the Lord that the building might be completed. Oh, that the Lord might send laborers into His harvest.

"Popular trees have grown up in God's fruit bearing orchard. The result, see, see! The result we have in our midst. Oh, His hands were pierced for you, and His side was pierced for you and me. He bore the cruel cross. He bore the scoffs and jeers and scorn of men."

God Will Judge.

God is speaking to the world through earthquakes and judgments today. The earthquake of December 25th in Messina, Italy, was said to be the most destructive of life of any known in history. Men's hearts are failing them for fear today. When they hear of earthquakes in other lands, they fear it will come to them. In San Francisco, you may see the ferry boats leaving the city packed every night. Many fear to stay in the city over night lest God shake that old place again and sink the city into the sea. And there is reason to fear because they have not repented. But if you have the power of the Blood on your life, you will fear no earthquake, pestilence or famine. You fear nothing but to displease Jesus.

San Francisco, Portland and every city will come into judgment before God. After the great white throne judgment, we shall see men and women that have scorned this salvation, this holiness and this baptism cast down into a burning hell. Oh, that men and women would realize that they must all stand before God and give an account of the deeds done in the body. Today is the day of salvation. Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your heart. Oh, accept this salvation of Jesus Christ.

"He Shall Guide You."

The Holy Ghost is the Teacher of teachers. He knows the Word of God. You can talk with Him and ask Him for yourself. It is the sweetest thing to get alone with Him and let Him open the Scriptures to you. He is the interpreter of the Word, the Spirit of truth to guide you into all truth. Many times He calls out the chapters or verses to read and then opens the Scriptures. A young man in Portland got saved in the Mission and had been a Catholic and did not know the Bible. He belonged to the Catholic lodge and the priests told him that if he broke his lodge vow, he

could never be forgiven, that it was an unpardonable sin to break a vow. The boy was troubled about it, but the Spirit spoke to him, telling him to read Lev. 5:4, 5. He was trying to find it in his Testament till one of the saints told him it was in the Old Testament and found it for him. It showed him that God did forgive men for broken vows. The Spirit also told him to read Jer. 17:5-8 to teach Him to trust in the Lord and not in the lodge for employment.

You see a beautiful ship gliding over the waves and you can see only a little smoke coming out of the smokestack, but there is a great engine out of sight, and a great arm moving that ship. God wants us to have that great arm down in our souls. The power of God is the engine down in our innermost being that is propelling us on heavenward. The world cannot see it, but it is going on just the same and we are going on up and up, and some day we will land at the side of Jesus in the skies. He puts that power in every soul, a power that says, "As for me, I am going through with Jesus." Oh, there is an echo in every soul that has the Blood on their heart that they are going through with Jesus.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love." That means to love everybody. Put yourself on the witness stand and search your heart. Do you love everybody? Ask God, and if you do not love them, plead the Blood until you can love them enough to give them your "coat also" if they take away your cloke.

"Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder." If we fall on this Stone, Jesus, and are broken, our wills broken, our hearts broken, we shall receive salvation and power from heaven; but if this Stone falls on us, it will grind us to powder. If we are falling on Jesus and become empty and broken vessels and fulfilling all righteousness, the Stone is not going to fall on us. Oh, let us fall on that Stone and be broken.

All prayer should be directed to the Father in the name of Jesus. We praise Jesus, but we pray to God the Father through the Son. Jesus is our high priest at the right hand of God making intercession for us. Everything we receive from God comes through the merits of Jesus. He said, "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you." We should honor the name of Jesus. The Word tells us, in the name of Jesus to lay hands on the sick, and in the name of Jesus, to cast out devils and to "Do all in the name of the Lord Jesus." There is power in His name.

Discernment is given us by the Holy Spirit that we might restore a brother or sister in the spirit of meekness. If you have discernment, the first thing you will do, is to pray for the person and watch the case to see if there is a change. Then go to them alone in the Spirit of Jesus and tell them as gently as you can about the fault, and tell them that Jesus will help them. Many that have had the baptism of the Holy Ghost have taken on a real harsh spirit. Now if your discernment is not in the spirit of love, it is no longer in the Spirit. It has turned to accusing the brethren. The young saints need to be advised, prayed with and nurtured in the right way. And the word spoken in the Spirit lodges in the heart while the other rankles. When you see the difference, you will pray for the spirit of discernment and God will give it to you.

Dear Ones, if you can use any papers in the German, Swedish or Norwegian languages, in your mission or neighborhood, please write us for a roll for free distribution, and say how many you wish.

EXTRACTS FROM PRECIOUS LETTERS.

Kaitara, New Zealand. It is with joy I am able to give my testimony of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I cannot find words to express the joy that filled my soul as the Spirit of the Lord sang and talked through me in the unknown tongue. The Lord gave me the assurance of sanctification on August 3d, and my baptism on November 11th.

West Africa. While I was in Sierra Leone, the dear Lord sent a revival among the Kroo people there. The mission was under the Church of England and the result of the revival was 13 souls saved for God. They had never seen anything like the demonstration of the Spirit as was manifested in that revival. When the power fell on them, they shook like leaves on a tree during a hard storm. Some fell out on the floor and I felt as if I was in Azusa Mission. It lasted ten evenings.

Assiout, Upper Egypt. Many, many are weeping their way to the fullness of God. The Holy Ghost has fallen in mighty power, convicting of sin. Souls have been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues and casting out devils. Our big brother, who was baptized and went to Khartoum in the Soudan, had mighty power and great wisdom. When he opened his mouth the Lord opened the heavens. His very voice seemed to rend the heavens. He was understood to speak in French and Italian. Before his baptism he spoke only English and Arabic. Real miracles of healing have taken place here. We give Him all the glory. Praise His name. He is worthy of the praise.

Mobile, Ala. The Lord sent me to St. Louis, Mo. Fourteen souls were baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire and seven or more were sanctified and are tarrying for their Pentecost. The meeting ran twenty-four days. When I left, the fire was falling and is still falling. Many hungry souls are there.

Wyandotte, Okla. I received the roll of papers. Praise the Lord for them. We will be here a short time and then go farther south. We are seven miles south of Wyandotte on the Grand River, at a place called Hog Thief Bend. Seven saved, seven sanctified, and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. We have forsaken all to follow Jesus and have a wagon and horse to help us through the country where they don't hear much about Jesus.

Port Angeles, Wa. God gave us a wonderful meeting last night in Port Angeles. He mightily poured out His Spirit upon us. One young boy leaped for joy. Praise God. There were three Indian brethren out yesterday. One came to the altar and got under the power. The Lord wonderfully helped him. Two others were under the power and one got through to his baptism. Praise God He is working in Port Angeles.

Vancouver, B. C. Two received their baptism Sunday and others seemed very near. Last week a young man, who had been converted and restored a number of times during the last six years but did not seem to get the right idea of holiness to seek and obtain the blessing, was wonderfully restored not long since. The other night he took hold and got through and got clearly sanctified, and in about ten minutes, was gloriously baptized. His father-in-law cried all night and his brother-in-law came to the altar next night.

Plainfield, Ind. About five months ago in our little family prayer meeting while rejoicing in the Lord, not knowing about the power of God or understanding it, one of our brothers fell under the power. Some thought he was dying, but the Lord took care of him and brought him through, talking in tongues and praising God in other languages. And since then nine in the same room have received their baptism. We are having grand meetings here, several are being converted. And

one brother that has not been able to read his Bible for many years, has received his eyesight so he can read. Praise God.

Superior, Wis. The first Sunday of the year God was with us in power. Such a blessed time He gave us, when we were breaking the bread and partaking of the wine. Such a blessed spirit of unity and love. Waves of blessing came over the saints, some singing, some weeping for joy, others speaking in new tongues. After the Lord's supper, one sister received healing and the witness to her Pentecost. The evening meeting was a precious time to our souls. One sister received her baptism. Fifteen souls have been baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. Glory to God in the highest. We cannot praise God enough for all He is doing for us.

Detroit, Mich. Received the papers and they came just in time for the convention, as we had a glorious ten days' convention and God did work in our midst. Souls got through to God and were saved, sanctified, healed and baptized in the Spirit of God, and backsliders come home, and the work is going on. Had water baptism on the 13th. I had to cut through the ice in the Detroit River, as they were under strong conviction. Especially pray for the work and me at this time, as the devil is trying to upset the work, but he can't. It belongs to my Father. It is founded on love and started in prayer and for the Father's glory. It started December 20, 1908. And it is too much for the devil. I am well and happy and my joy is full and I am determined to preach a pure uncompromising gospel. *Free, free, free.*

Princeton, Ind. A copy of your paper, The Apostolic Faith, was given to me at the saints' meeting last Sunday. I took it home and began to read it, when suddenly the Holy Spirit came on me like a mighty wind, oh glory, shaking and thrilling my body until I could do nothing but shout Hallelujah, Hallelujah. Glory be to God for the fire that burns out all self. Pentecost has struck Southern Indiana. There is a band of saints here, ten or twelve in number. We hold cottage prayer meetings through the week, and on Sunday afternoon we have Bible readings. Sinners are being converted, backsliders are being redeemed, church members locating themselves, converted people being sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, saints getting liberty, shouting hallelujah, singing in tongues, talking in tongues, preaching and praying in tongues. Hallelujah forever, and ever! As I write this letter, the fire burns in my heart, and the Holy Spirit whispers, "Jesus is coming soon." I'm on the heights with Him who tread the wine-press alone. Hallelujah, I'm on the sea with Him who stilled the storms on Galilee, O glory be to God.

Portsmouth, Va. I want to write you a few lines to tell you of the wonderful works of God in our little band. We have just got into our mission, and it is wonderful how God is working on the hearts of the people. Three or four drunkards came into the mission and how the Lord brought conviction on them, how they did weep and how their hearts were all broken up. It takes the Holy Ghost to put men under conviction. That is what God did yesterday in our all-day meeting. How God is shaking the hearts of strong men, Glory to God. The Lord laid the jail work on me and I went and, oh, how the Lord blessed me in going. I carried the papers you sent me and how glad they were. They came and begged me to come back next Sunday, if God wills. God wonderfully healed me in one of our meetings. I felt the power of God come on my body and felt that same time the saints in Portland prayed for me. Glory to God. I want to thank you. And I give God all the glory for healing me and for giving me the gift of the Holy Ghost which I received two years ago.

Jesus has healed me in body and soul. He sanctified my soul and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and gave me the Bi-

ble evidence of speaking in the unknown tongue. Praise His holy name. The whole work was done in a very few minutes. I just made a full surrender to my Lord. Praise His name. Glory to Jesus. And that is not all, He took the snuff and tobacco habit the very same moment. And I have not tasted a bit since and have not taken a drop of medicine since the night I was healed and filled with the Holy Spirit, January 3, 1909. I received my Pentecost right at home with just two dear sisters praying with me. I was brought down so low in my health and in my body, I thought of giving up all and committing suicide and then I thought, "Where will I spend eternity." So I changed my mind, and the following Sunday night, two sisters came to my house and prayed with me and laid hands on me and I was healed completely. I have been a member of the church since I was twelve years old and always tried to do the very best I could, but praise His holy name, I know now that I am a child of God.

A Vision and Revelation.

Benton Harbor, Mich.—I had a vision recently when I went to pray for a woman. The Lord had told me to go and He told another sister that has been saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit to go too. And, oh, the Lord met us in a wonderful way. The sister was healed and the glory of the Lord filled the room where we were sitting. After a while, the Lord began to talk and show us many wonderful things. He showed me He was going to shake this old world. It was an awful sight to see this world being shaken by our God. It seemed no more for Him to shake it than for me to take a ball in my hand and toss it back and forth. It was such a sight I could hardly bear it.

The Lord gave the other sister a vision of the dead lying around after the world had been shaken. Oh, how sweetly God spoke to us and told us that we should meet Him in the air. He told us that He was coming soon and to tell others about it. It seems I must tell everybody. Oh, be ready all of you for His time is soon. He told us His feet would not touch the ground but we should meet Him in the air. One sister said she had a chill and we told her we all had the same thing. Oh, it made our blood run cold, it was so wonderful. He said He would come with power and great glory. I did not get over it for a long time. When I picked up the Word, the Lord gave me Isaiah 2:19 to 21. So you see He still wants me to remember the shaking He showed me. Oh, how I am burdened for lost souls. I feel as though I ought to leave all and tell it. God help me to tell many. We are led to hold street meetings as soon as the weather permits.

A Demon Cast Out and a Child's Tongue Loosed.

A boy over 8 years old had been possessed by a demon since he was born. He was tongue-tied and could not speak except a few words indistinctly. He also had an idiotic look and the demon caused him to make grimaces that were awful to see. He was hard to control and had to be whipped often. He would sometimes cry and say, "I can't be good."

The Lord showed his mother to bring him to the Mission to be prayed for and have the demon cast out. When the evil spirit was rebuked, it cried out and went out. The child realized that something had been done for him and was very happy as they went home. He ran to his father when he entered the house and said, "Papa, Jesus has healed me," and he rejoiced and praised God.

His mother looked into his mouth and saw that his tongue was loosed. It looked as if it had been cut loose, as you could see a red streak underneath where it had been fastened before. He spoke plainer and is now learning to talk.

OUR CHRIST IS WORKING MIRACLES TODAY.

A young woman came to the Mission for the first time and was marvelously saved and healed. She had come from Montana to visit her aunt, who has been healed of consumption. She had been crippled by a fall when she was ten years old and one limb was three inches shorter than the other. For years she had worn a high heel on one foot. The morning after she was saved, she awoke no longer crippled. The Lord had healed her during the night and one limb was as long as the other. She had to lengthen her dresses on one side.

She was also totally blind in one eye. From the time she went to the altar, her blind eye began to burn and itch and also her ear, which was completely deaf. As she sat in the meeting a few nights later, the Lord opened that eye. She has taken off her glasses too and cannot see through them now. They are a perfect blur to her.

Then they prayed for her ear, and as they prayed, she heard a cracking, buzzing sound in it and it was healed. Now she can hear in it perfectly.

The following is her testimony:

A Cripple Healed.

I thought once I was saved and had my name on the church roll, but I was not. But praise God I am tonight. A few weeks ago you would not have found me in the house of God, but at the card table. He has put a peace in my heart that was not there before. He took me out of the old dead churches and gave me this salvation.

When I came here on January 27th, my left limb was three inches shorter than the other, but on the morning of the 28th, I was not lame. He lengthened it and now I can walk as straight as anyone.

When for four years, I could not see out of one eye, every nerve in my eye was dead, He has put in new nerves and now I can see out of it better than ever before. For eight long years I wore glasses, but now Jesus has taken the glasses off and I do not need them. He has opened my eye, and He has not only done that, but opened the eyes of my soul.

For nine long years I had not been able to hear in one ear. The doctors told me I would never hear in that ear. The doctor said the drum was completely gone, but praise God I can hear with it today. Oh, Jesus is so good to me. O glory to Jesus.

For nine years I have not been able to breathe through my nostrils. The doctors said it was a bleeding cancer. Whatever it was, Jesus healed it and now I can breathe through my nose. Jesus has made me over new. Glory to Jesus. He is mine. Who could do it but Jesus? I don't want the world, I don't want cards or the theater, but I do, I do want Jesus.

A man came to the Mission in Oakland very drunk and limping painfully. Some were going to put him out, but we told them to let him stay. After the meeting, he was invited to come to the altar and had to be helped there. He could not kneel down on account of his leg that was stiff with rheumatism, so he sat down on a chair and the workers prayed for his healing. As they laid their hands on his leg, he began to say, "I'm getting healed, I'm getting healed. I can feel the fire burning." The pain was all gone, and he arose and walked back and forth. Then afterward as they found him on the street, they offered to give him a bed, but he said, no, that he had a bed paid for but felt like walking all night, it felt so good to walk. He was perfectly sobered by the Spirit.

A call for laborers comes from the whitened fields of China and Japan. A baptized Chinaman writes, "We don't want hirelings. What we need is laborers sent by the Lord Himself. What China wants is Spirit-filled missionaries clothed in holy love."