

THE GOSPEL NEWS

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To those who may read this small paper, known as The Gospel News, I direct these words.

I was ordained into the Ministry of the Church Of Jesus Christ in the year of 1902 and have endeavored to preach the gospel these many years, but this is my first venture to edit a paper. If successful I intend to devote its columns to that which is good and God like and especially in the interest of the aforementioned Church of which I am a member.

A TREATISE ON SCRIPTURE

BY W. H. CADMAN

Isaiah 52:7; "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!"

Isaiah, the son of Amoz and a Prophet of God was a wonderful man; his vision did not only visualize the doings of the day in which he lived, but with the keen eye of faith he penetrated the ages, that to the masses were hidden.

Blind unbelief has always caused men to err and stumble, and in doing so they have reaped even as they had sown. The son of Amoz spoke to his nation of people clearly, concerning the coming of a Messiah; he refers to Him in so many ways and forms.

In chapt. 53, he likens Him to a tender plant and as a root out of a dry ground, He is despised and rejected, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, he sees Him taken from prison and from judgement, and asks, "Who shall declare his generation?"

In the midst of an unbelieving nation of people as His followers found themselves to be in, it undoubtedly took much courage to declare His generation, yet we find that fisherman very brave and

In publishing this little volume, I will not ask to be spared of any criticism due to any thing that is not good and just, but I trust you will be considerate, should the paper not meet your approval in the way of style, size, and even if it appears a little crude to your eyes, bear in mind that as an Editor and Publisher I am in my infancy.

Yours sincerely,

ELDER W. H. CADMAN.

courageous in declaring the generation of Christ. To them He still lived and they published the good tidings of good, and obedience to the simplicity of His ways which brought peace to many poor souls, the prophet had previously exclaimed, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings!"

It makes me think of the great contrast between the Ambassadors of peace, and the war lords of today. When I read in our daily papers the things that are happening to the poor people in China, also those poor people in Spain and not forgetting what has befallen the poor Ethiopians; Yea, when I read these things it makes me think of the righteous man, Lot, whose soul was vexed in his day with their unlawful deeds.

John, while on the Isle of Patmos was made to cry out in the anguish of his soul: "How long O Lord, holy and true, doest thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?"

The prophet Isaiah, while he has spoken words of consolation to him who publisheth peace, he has visioned terrible things to fall upon the Nations because of their wickedness, and the doings of our own beloved America was not closed to his eyes, yet to him who bringeth good tidings, yea, to them that declare salvation, even their "feet" are beautiful saith the Prophet.

ENCOURAGING WORDS FROM CANADA

Brother M. Miller of Detroit writes me that he has visited the Saints at Muncey Ont. twice since our Conference at Greensburg, Pa. in January. He says that Brothers Ford and Burges of Windsor, Ont. were with him on one of these trips and they all had a very enjoyable time.

It is very gratifying to receive letters of this kind from any of my Brethren, may the Lord continue to bless them.

In this same letter Bro. Miller tells of a meeting they held in one of the Brothers homes in Windsor and the wonderful time had.

It will be remembered that the Saints at the aforementioned place "Muncey" are all members of the Indian race of people, and it is very gratifying indeed, to know that our Brethren are administering unto them so faithfully.

May the Lord bless your efforts and crown them with success.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S PROPHECY

Near the close of the war, in reply to a letter from a friend in Illinois, President Lincoln said: "Yes, we may all congratulate ourselves that the cruel war is nearing its close. It has cost a vast amount of treasure and blood. The best blood of the flower of American youth has been freely offered upon our country's altar that the nation might live. It has indeed been a trying hour for the Republic; but I see in the near future, a crisis approaching that unnerves me and causes me to tremble for the safety of my country.

As a result of the war, corporations have been enthroned and an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will attempt to prolong its reign by working on the prejudices of the people until all wealth is aggregated in few hands, and the Republic destroyed.

I feel at this moment more anxiety for the safety of my country than ever before, even in the midst of the war. God grant that my suspicions may be groundless." What a wonderful prophecy, and how terribly it is being fulfilled.

Now therefore hearken unto Me, O ye children; for blessed are they that keep My ways.

Children's Column

BY SADIE B. CADMAN

ONLY A LITTLE LAD

Only a little lad, with five barley loaves of bread and two fishes, had followed Jesus with the five thousand people to see and hear His wonderful words, but it was all the bread there was, among so many people; whether they didn't want to bother to carry it or whether they were so interested in following Jesus, that they did not think of it, yet one little boy came prepared.

When Jesus looked around and saw so many people He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread that these may eat?" Philip answered Jesus, "Two hundred penny worth of bread is not sufficient for them that every one may take a little. Andrew, one of the disciples said, "There is a lad here that has five barley loaves and two small fishes but what are they among so many?" But Jesus told them to tell the people to sit down.

When He took the loaves of bread and fish the little boy had, He gave thanks to God and began to give it to His disciples and they gave to the people. After the people were all fed He told His disciples to gather up what remained. They filled twelve baskets. Then the people said surely this is the Prophet that should come into the world.

Boys, We may not be able to give five loaves of bread and two fishes to feed so many people like that lad, but we can tell everybody about Jesus and His Gospel for many people are hungry today and don't know of the good things Jesus can give them and if we follow Jesus and learn of Him and carry with us in our hearts good thoughts and tell others how Jesus can give them the bread of life, He will bless us and we may be the means of His feeding thousands of people too.

A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:24

I'll tell my friends and all I know
How Christ has blessed me here below;
He's changed my life and all my ways
From foolish talk to hymns of praise.

CHARITY

Many things are done in the name of Charity and the word is very loosely used, so that almost any act of kindness is called an act of Charity.

However in the spiritual sense, Charity is the pure love of God and according to Paul in I Corinthians, we may do many kind or even heroic deeds and yet not possess real Charity.

Read I Corinthians 13—what real Charity is.

All these deeds we might do and qualities we might have, yet without Charity all are worthless. Great speaking or preaching, knowledge and understanding are of no value unless clothed with Charity. We might give all our earthly possessions to help a cause, even to the sacrifice of our bodies, but it profiteth nothing if not accompanied by Charity or Love.

How then can we test acts of others and of ourselves to know whether we possess Charity?

What are the characteristics of Charity?—Charity suffereth long, is kind, envieth not, is not puffed up (no pride), does not behave unseemly, seeks not her own, is patient, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth only in truth and righteousness, and endureth all things. Charity includes faith (believeth all things and hopeth all things) and never fails.

Our Saviour was our great example of Charity. His life was one of Charity and we should follow his steps as found in I Peter 2-21,25. We have some references as to His examples:

Suffereth Long—His trial and crucifixion. St. John 19.

Kind—Kindness to little children. St. Matthew 19.

No Envy—When tempted by Satan. St. Matthew 4.

Humility—Shown in washing of feet. John 13.

Not Unseemly—His Baptism. St. Matthew 3.

Seeks not His Own—"None good only His Father". St. Mark 10.

Patience—Displayed by Jesus in the Garden. St. Matthew 26.

No Evil Thought—He returned good for evil. St. Luke 6.

Rejoiceth only in Truth and Righteousness. St. John 17.

Endured All—Lays down His life for His friends. St. John 15.

Includes Faith and Hope—In the Lord's Prayer: Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Never Fails—His Promise. St. John 3-16.

And now abideth Faith, Hope and Charity, these three, but the greatest of these is Charity.

By RUTH MOUNTAIN.

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JOSEPH TYPICAL OF CHRIST

Joseph is an eminent type of the Messiah, let us trace the resemblance. Joseph was in a peculiar manner beloved of his Father. Christ is the dear Son of His Father's love. Jacob made for Joseph a coat of many colors; God prepared a body in human nature for Christ, filled and adorned with the various gifts and graces of the Spirit without measure. Joseph was hated by his brethren and they could not endure to think he should have dominion over them; the Jews, Christ's brethren according to the flesh, hated Him, and would not have Him to reign over them. Joseph was sent by his father on a long journey to visit his brethren, and know their welfare; Christ was sent from the bosom of the Father to seek and to save the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Joseph's brethren conspired to take away his life; the Jews said of Christ, "This is the heir, let us kill him." And they consulted to take away His life. Joseph was sold for twenty pieces of silver at the motion of Judah and Christ by one of the name of Judas was sold for thirty pieces. Joseph was delivered to strangers, and Christ to the Gentiles. Joseph being reckoned dead by his father, and yet alive, may be an emblem of Christ's death and resurrection from the dead.

Oh Jesus: I in Joseph see

How archers shot and grieved thee,

Into the grave like Joseph cast

And raised like him, a Prince at last.

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MISSIONARY WORK

BY BROTHER RIGGEN

Some time ago I received a long letter from brother Rikken of Detroit, telling me of a trip he made to Muncey, Ont. He says he spent about two weeks on the Indian Reserves at that place, and conducted fifteen meetings holding them in the homes of the Indian people and in the Indian council chamber on the Chippewa Reserve. Brother Rikken was much elated with his stay there, for the Lord was with him very much. May the seed that was sown spring up and yield abundantly.

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VISITING PRE-HISTORIC PLACES

The following is taken from a letter written by Brother Furnier, who with his wife and part of their family, are spending the winter at Phoenix, Arizona.

I didn't get as far north as the Hopi reservation. Well, I might add, I was in the vicinity of their living quarters, but roads were torn up, and not knowing the country very well, I was told sand was bad, and maybe would not be able to get out. Went to the Grand Canyon, petrified forest, and many other places of interest. Viewed many of the prehistoric cliff dwellings. Climbed a cliff by ladder about as high as some of our sky scrapers, three ladders to reach the first floor of the dwelling, then after entering the dwelling climbed four more ladders inside, as the dwelling was five stories high and reached almost the top of the cliff. Visited a ruins known as the Tuzigoot ruins, Montezuma Castle, and many others. Some of these dwellings had as many as forty rooms. Another was just a real village of ruins. Skeletons were taken from them, and are still intact, I viewed a number of them. Scientists agree that they have been here hundreds of years ago, and that they used these homes in the cliffs to escape their enemies. How plain and distinct these matters are to the believers in the Book of Mormon. "The Gadianian robbers are referred to, also the robbers that hid themselves in the rocks by day and would rob at nights, etc." I viewed these things with wonder. I don't believe I will be able to reach the Indian people on this visit. I have tried to approach several in this city, but they wont allow you to do much talking. There is a reservation of Navajoe's in Northern Arizona, extending into New Mexico and Utah, numbering 50,000 Indians. They are increasing from time to time. They are sheep and cattle raisers. The government don't know what to do with them, they are spreading out so rapidly. The Hopi's are completely surrounded by them. Isaiah, and also his language is quoted in the B. of M. speaks of the children of Jacob spreading out, they will lengthen their cords, and strengthen their stakes, for more are the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife. Enlarge the place of their tents. Sing O barren, break forth into singing, etc. I have attended several lectures of professors that have studied the Arizona Indians, they show picture slides. I have picked up a lot of information from

"HE HAS LEFT OFF TO BE WISE, AND TO DO GOOD"—PSALMS 36, 3

But Peter said, Ananias, why hath satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?

Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

And Ananias hearing these words fell down; and gave up the ghost, and great fear came on all them that heard these things, Acts. 5; 3, 4, 5.

"BE NOT DECEIVED: GOD IS NOT MOCKED"—GALATIONS 6; 7

"He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him." St. John 14;21.

NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

Following is a few lines taken from a letter of Brother Gabriel Mazzeo: We attended to the ordinance of "feet washing" yesterday and also ordained Bro. N. Faragasso Jr. an Elder in the Church, and we had a wonderful day, enjoying the blessing of God in our souls.

In the evening I attended the "Missionary Benevolent Association" meeting and had a good time also.

I also wish to inform you that we had a fine trip on our way to the conference at Greensburg, Pa. in January, enjoyed ourselves very much while at Conference, and had a safe and pleasant trip on our journey back home.

Bro. Gabriel we are glad to know of your enjoyment at Conference and of your safe arrival back home, but sorry to hear of Bro. and Sister Moroni's daughter being so poorly. May the Lord bless and comfort them.

Yours sincerely,

BROTHER CADMAN.

that source.

P S: Plenty of oranges, lemons, grape fruit, dates, growing here. Lots of vegetables. I am getting my share.