



"For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him."—Isaiah 64:4.

"... the beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by him; and the LORD shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders."—Deuteronomy 33:12.

The Last Days

"And there shall be signs in the heavens, and upon the earth distress of nations. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory."

Long ago God put a message for this day in His Word. The Bible may be considered as a history of time: from the heaven and earth of Genesis to the new heaven and earth of Revelation. However, the Bible was written in the middle of the time. Therefore, some of it's history, some current events and some prophecy. That part of history which was future at the time of writing is prophecy. Much of that prophecy concerns the close of this era. In fact, the statements of some of the Old Testament prophets are being fulfilled so literally today, that no one can justly deny that the LAST DAYS are approaching fast.

Just before the United States entered the great war, one beautiful evening, millions of people gazed heavenward seeing what is called an Aurora Borealis, also being called polar light, or streamers, flashing over the heavens, far different than the Northern Lights, this was a token, proving to us that the heavens are not silent today, much rather things are all moving towards the end of the age.

In April of this year over in England hundreds of people saw a vision

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What Will We Do for God?

By Rev. J. A. Getz, Morton, Ill.

A year ago I wrote an article "WHAT HAS THE FUTURE TO OFFER OUR YOUNG MEN?"—stressing how little fathers and mothers could do to shield their loved ones from the inescapable realities of life and war—and in pity must see them stand up against the problems and dangers of the times. Many—as we

TREASURED VERSES

REV. 22:5-14 and 17

The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light; and they shall reign for ever and ever.

know—have since paid the Supreme Sacrifice.

The past year has been for many a rough way, but FAITH KNOWS that it has been the "right way." It has been a pathway of tears for many, but through their tears they have learned to say, "THY WILL BE DONE."

Disappointments have been mingled with mercies and have often proved to be Deliverance.

Jesus said once that "ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM THAT BELIEVETH." It is a wonderful thing to have Faith in God—the kind that takes God at His Word, never questioning, never doubting, but strong in the assurance that what God has promised, He is able to perform.

We like to feel that all those that will come home, will be the better for their experience—be they believers or friends—and that out of their experiences a determination has been made to serve God better.

A truth that has often impressed me is acknowledgment of the eight men who were cast adrift in the South Pacific on rubber rafts for 21 days, two years ago—that when they wanted and needed Comfort from the Bible they did not know where to search for it until one ran across a teaching in Matthew 6:34—"Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

Many people admit God plays an important role in their individual lives, yet they do little or nothing to make themselves worthy of God's goodness. As proclaimed in the Holy Scripture, it is the duty of all men to confess their sins and transgressions

in humble sorrow, with the assurance genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon.

Surely, by now, we have learned that life is more than eating and drinking—more than getting and spending. To be even a diligent reader of the Scripture is not enough—our Saviour went all the way and He expects us to “go all out from the world.” To acknowledge God and the Saviour is not enough until Faith in Christ and self-discipline have so completely taken hold of us that we can truly say, “I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.”

We hear about eight out of ten men in the Army carrying a Testament—all of which is good. But are we facing the whole Truth: that this war is a judgment of God—a judgment of the moral consequenceness of our acts. Not that all nations or men are guilty before God in the same degree—for obviously they are not. Yet history knows no other way by which nations or men escape the visitation of their iniquities save by a return to God through a rebirth of justice. Let us think this over to stir our consciences unto true peace with God.

The Bible emphasis is on a God who is interested in individual men—that men are men and that they stand one by one before God—in a world in which they make their choice which results in Eternal Bliss, or results in a guest “without a wedding garment.”

We wish to thank everyone for the kindly interest, for the loyal support and the appreciation shown toward the Silver Lining in the past year. They were not all days of sunshine but all in all the promise of God rings out clearly, “As Thy Days So Shall Thy Strength Be,” so let us continue as the one who was building the bridge in the poem.

THE BRIDGE BUILDER

“An old man, going a lone highway,
Came in the evening, cold and gray,
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide.
The old man crossed in the twilight
dim:

The sullen stream had no fears for
him;
But he turned when safe on the other
side

And built a bridge to span the tide.

“‘Old man,’ said a fellow-pilgrim
near,

‘You are wasting your strength with
building here;

Your journey will end with the end-
ing day,

You never again will pass this way,

Hymn for the Month:

THE OPEN GATE

I’ve heard them sing again and again
Of a gate that stands ajar,
Of a sunny clime, and golden plane,
And a sinless land afar.

But when I have passed the chilly
tide,

And enter my home above,
I believe the gates will open wide,
On its golden hinge of love.

A welcome home at the open gate,
From a land of angels bright,
Do these for the ransom’d spirits
wait,

As it gains the land of light?
We may not know of the joys untold,
The bliss of the other side,
But when I come to the gate of gold,
I believe ’twill open wide.

The sinner’s Friend, as He reaches
down,
With a Saviour’s wondrous love,
Who prepares a mansion, robe, and
crown,

In His shining courts above,
Will gather His flock into the fold,
To the fold beyond the tide,
As they near the gate, the gate of
gold,

I believ ’twill open wide.

Chorus:

It will open wide, yes open wide,
I’ll pass through its portals free,
And rest in peace on the other side,
It will open wide fore me.

You’ve crossed the chasm, deep and
wide;

Why build you this bridge at even-
tide?”

“The builder lifted his old gray head,
‘Good friend, in the path I’ve come,’
he said,

‘There followeth after me today

A youth whose feet must pass this
way;

This chasm that has been naught to
me,

To that fair-haired youth may a pit-
fall be;

He, too, must cross in the twilight
dim—

Good friend, I am building this bridge
for him!”

PRAYER BY ELDER HENRY

SOUDER, OCT. 8, 1922

We are again given the privilege to assemble ourselves at this place in this afternoon hour, as Thy children and friends, so are we assembled. We wish to thank Thee, Heavenly Father, for the opportunity which we have, and that Thou hast kept us in Thy care that we are able to assemble ourselves together, praying and asking for Thy blessings. Our Redeemer has taught us by His good Word that we should humble ourselves and accept the truth. Thou hast promised to be in our midst, so we pray earnestly to our Saviour and Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Lord, thou knowest what we are in need of. Be our foundation. Lead and guide us by Thy Spirit. Be our Leader and Guide when we are journeying through this dark and sorrowful world. Oh, Lord, Thou knoweth all our needs, all our desires, and all our wishes. Thou knoweth that we are not wishing or desiring anything that Thou knoweth we are not in need of. Lord, help us that we might prepare ourselves for the better home after this life. Give each, Lord, according to his needs, that he might plant the seed, so it will bring forth the fruit which is all for Thy Honor and Glory. Oh, we pray Thee, Heavenly Father, bless all Thy children and all friends of Thy truth; help those that are in sickness and those who are in need that we might all meet in that beautiful city where there is no suffering.

Help all which we choose to bring to thee in our prayers. In the name of our Redeemer, JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

“Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock Heaven’s storehouse.”

NEWS

About thirty friends pleasantly surprised Bertha Blough on her eightieth birthday. She received numerous gifts. Ice-cream and cake were served to all.

Among the seventy dinner guests entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Souder on September 17 were Rev. and Mrs. Joe Hodel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sauder and daughter of Roanoke, Illinois, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Dotterer and son Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dotterer and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Moser and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moser and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Isch, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gerber and daughter from Bluffton, Indiana, Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Neusbaum and son, Mr. and Mrs. Scharlock of Remington, Indiana, Pvt. Benj. Belsy, Master Sgt. Clem Wieland, Mrs. Harold Roth and Miss Hilda Fischer of Dayton, Ohio.

Pvt. David Bertsch spent several week ends with his wife and her parents here. He has now been moved to the state of Washington.

M/Sgt. Don Bollier and wife, Marge, returned to Dallas, Texas, Sept. 19th, after spending a twenty-day furlough with the parents: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bollier and Mr. and Mrs. W. Leighner of Harlan.

Lt. Richard Lantz received his wings and commission at Eagle Pass, Texas. "Congratulations!" He spent an enjoyable visit with his parents, relatives, and friends. September 22 he left for Randolph Field, Texas to take an instructor training course in "Basic flying."

Ensign Arthur Schwartz completed training at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and is now a commissioned officer. He spent an enjoyable visit with his parents, relatives, and friends. September 26th he left for North Carolina for a 5-month training course in Deisel Engineering.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reineck are the proud parents of a daughter, Marjorie Ann, on September 15th. If it were possible, Homer would travel with the speed of light to hold his ten-pound bundle of charms in his

arms.

Henry Getz of Morton, Illinois, has been doing governmental work in Alaska and is getting along fine. His year is almost up, and we expect to see him soon.

John J. Getz is still in the South Pacific. We heard from him last week saying it is very hot, but he is well and getting along all right.

The average for our Sunday School attendance in the month of September was 78, a rise of 10.25 over August. On September 3rd, Wayne Lantz A/S, Robert Getz, and Elda Getz were with us bringing the attendance to 85. Sept. 24 there were 78 present. Sgt. Don Bollier and wife, St. Richard Lantz, Marjorie Wuethrich, Paul Dotterer, and Andy Neusbaum. Reuben Scharlock visited us on the 17th with 81 present. September 24 there were 68 attending including Arthur Schwartz.

Rev. and Mrs. Joel Souder entertained Rev. Ben Heiniger from Morton, Ill., Ben Leman from Fairbury, Ill., and Dave Leman from Goodfield, Ill. on Sept. 14th for dinner. Rev. Heiniger held evening services.

Rev. Henry Wackerle held services here on Sept. 26. He was accompanied by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lambert all of Bay City, Michigan.

Mrs. Ben Stoller of Latty, Ohio, passed away on Sept. 23rd, leaving five sons and two daughters. Funeral services were held by Rev. Henry Wackerle of Bay City, Michigan.

Miss Emily Getz from Morton, Illinois is visiting her uncle, Edw. D. Getz and other relatives and friends here.

The Sunday School Meeting was held at Morton, Illinois on September 17. Visiting Sunday Schools were: Peoria, Roanoke, Tremont, Congerville, Goodfield, Princeville, Oakville, and guests from Fairbury. The following was their program for the meeting: A prayer by Alvin Schrock. Group singing of one-half hour lead by Andrew Leman. Roanoke gave two songs—"Come Thou Almighty King," and "Come Unto Me." Peoria

gave two—"At Calvary," and "God Will Take Care of You." Congerville two—"Take My Life and Let It Be," and "Take Time To Be Holy." Tremont, two—"Kneel at the Cross," and "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning." Princeville, two—"Jesus I Come," and "Speed the Light." Goodfield, two—"Faith of Our Fathers," and "At Calvary." Oakville, one—"He Is Able To Deliver Thee." Morton, two—"My Saviour's Love" and "Ring the Bells of Heaven." Edw. Moser gave a Scriptural talk, and a prayer was given by Al Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. William Levy are the proud parents of a baby boy, David John Levy.

Sylvan L. Bertsch wishes to notify The Silver Lining of his change of address which is now S. L. Bertsch T M V 2/c U.S.S. Franklin (C-V-13) Div. V-5 c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif. He writes that he enjoys The Silver Lining, and it seems to give him strength and courage.

A Sunday School Meeting was held Sunday evening, September 25th. The program was based upon the Life of Paul. An article on Paul's fight of faith was ably read by Ephraim Kipper. Colleen and Sharon Schlatter sang "Sing and Smile and Pray." Poems were given by V. K. Schlatter and George Stieglitz. A sextette rendered two songs, "Tread Softly," and "The Ship of Faith." Ramas Schlatter gave an explanation of some excerpts from the writings of Paul. The Steiner Trio sang, "Have Thine Own Way." A chorus of girls from the adult class gave two numbers in song, "At Calvary" and "Never Alone," also five junior girls sang, "Wonderful Words of Life." Amos and Minnie Schladenhaufen sang a duet, "Ivory Palaces." Visitors at the meeting included Elder Sam Aeschliman and others from Bluffton, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Getz, son Robert and daughter Elda of Tremont, Illinois visited at the home of Mrs. Getz's father, Eli Steiner, returning home Labor Day.

There is no service like his, who serves because he loves.

The Millennial Kingdom

From what I have been able to understand out of the words of the prophets and from the Spirit of the Lord, which is the testimony of Jesus and is the Spirit of prophecy, these events shall occur at the time of the second coming of Christ to take His kingdom. (With this is connected the binding of the devil):

1. The restoration of the earth from six thousand years captivity to the original Paradisical, liberty, beauty and incorruptibility.

2. The restoration of the kingdom and nation of Israel under the reign of its King, the son of David, Jesus Christ, whom they will meet with shouts of joy: Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord."

3. The first resurrection, that of all believers, all those who until that time have belonged to Christ and who have finished their course victoriously over the world and its princes through faith in Jesus Christ.

4. The complete destruction of the apostate, so-called Christian church, whose preachers in the time of the Gentiles have so long already preached empty straw without bringing God the fruit of His kingdom. The conversion of all remaining nations to whom the knowledge of the only true God through the Gospel of Jesus Christ has not come.

If now the Darbists say that in the last time Christ will come again in the flesh, and they shall be the newly erected church, therein lies a great lack of understanding. They have heard something but they scarcely know what it is about. Christ will appear in glory, to judge and to separate. He will not come in the flesh to die.

The real pivot point of the kingdom of God and of Christ in the last time, or the thousand-year sabbath, is the people of Israel. They shall again be gathered in their own land of promise which has so long been forsaken by them and which lies under the curse. They will really have physical possessions of it and have all material and spiritual blessings in abundance. They will live in proud rest and security, each under his own vine and fig tree.

Also, they will still beget and rear children. But they will be a spiritual and holy nation; they will know their God and serve Him according to the manner of the new temple. Israel will be as Adam's family would have been if sin had not come into the world. Paradise, in all its pleasantness and bounty, will be restored. The rest of the converted nations will be a supplement to the people of Israel and will be their farmers and vinedressers. They themselves (the Israelites) will be priests of God; yet not in resurrected bodies for they can not beget children. Rather the Israelites will be as Adam and Eve who had bodies and were capable of generations when sin had not yet entered the world and they had not yet become subject to death.

It is clear, however, that if the righteous who have been resurrected are to take part in the Millennium that they must take part in a different way than the people of Israel, for their resurrected bodies makes them able to be in heaven as well as on earth; now here, now there, now visible, now invisible, as Jesus was after His resurrection—physical and yet spiritual. At one time His disciples recognized Him; at another time they failed to do so. He went through locked doors because His resurrected body no longer knew limitations nor difficulties. In that body He also ascended to heaven, and then, when He chose, appeared again to the apostle Paul as He had before appeared to the other apostles. It is in this manner that I think the resurrected will share in the millennial kingdom, for the promise still holds good that Abraham will be heir to the whole world.

Until now, however, this has not happened, but it shall happen in the future. Thus it is clear that Abraham must attain to it with all his seed, the physical and spiritual. To the spiritual seed of Abraham belong all believers who gradually are gathered into Abraham's bosom, and Abraham will be revealed with them all when Christ comes, Who is the true Seed of Abraham in whom all the kindreds

of the earth shall be blessed according to God's purpose of grace. For Abraham stepped into Adam's place as the second Adam with whom God the remaining covenant. But the covenant and the promise which were given Abraham apply to Jesus Christ in Whom all has been fulfilled and will further be fulfilled in eternity.

In addition, the day of Christ will yet make many things clear that we do not yet understand because we still see everything in the future and shrouded in mystery; we see as through a dark glass.

By S. H. Froehlich.

I AM COMING HOME TO MOM By A/S Edward G. Souder

Some time ago I left my home,
It hurt me much to leave;
I said good-bye to Mom
And pretended not to grieve.

She said to me, "You'll be back—
Please don't make me cry—
You've got a war to win . . .
And, now, my son, good-bye."

She held her apron in her hand
And leaned against the door;
She dropped her eyes and whispered,
"This war, my son, this war."

Now it's almost over
Peace will come at last;
Again we will be happy,
As we were in the past.

The lights will be relighted,
The bells will ring once more;
For I am coming home to Mom,
Who'll greet me at the door.

But there's another peace to win,
War, too, helps reach that goal;
It's not a war of tanks and guns,
But a war within our soul.

Whatever God gives us to do, He
gives us power to do it.

Heaven is on the side of the noble,
pure and true.

If thou wouldest have Him work
mightily in thee, cease from thy own
doings.

THE LAST DAYS

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of Jesus on the cross in the sky, the vision was said to have lasted 15 minutes. It took its form in the shape of a large white cross, and then the form of Jesus appeared. His head was bowed and His feet were crossed. All who saw it agreed on its details, they said when it disappeared it did not drift away like a cloud but vanished instantly and entirely. Other clouds in the sky were said to have drifted by while the vision remained stationary. The next services that were held in the community in a church that has a seating capacity of 500 was attended by an overflowing crowd of nearly 800 people. One of these days, maybe very soon, every eye will be gazing up in the skies and see the Son of Man coming in the clouds. Are we ready for that great day?

The interior of this planet or earth is in a turmoil, all preparing for a terrible day which is coming. A few weeks ago there was an earthquake, felt by many millions in America, it's true, there have always been earthquakes in some parts of the world. It is when they begin to come with increasing intensity over all the earth, that they indicate the approaching end of the age. Dr. L. Don Leet, of Harvard University Seismologist says about this last earthquake, quote: It fits into the current pattern that has brought the intervals between earthquakes felt in this area down to about four years, instead of fifty year average at the turn of the century. Here is the important part of the quotation: I have no desire to be an alarmist, but warns the people to make plans for the coping with possible earthquake dangers. End of Quotation.

To the center of this earth it is supposed to be about 4000 miles, by deep well drilling. It has been discovered that the temperature of the earth's crust mounts at a steady rate of 16 degrees Fahrenheit per 1000 feet of descent. On the average it reaches the boiling point of water at 7,200 feet. At about 30 miles it reaches 2,200 degrees F., so hot that it melts basalt rock. These facts should give

everyone something to think about.

"And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of war, for nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom." Jesus adds, "All these things are the beginning of sorrow. There have always been wars and rumors of wars. The significance of this prophecy lies in the fact that the whole world will be preparing for war. Paul adds a further detail. He says, "For when they shall say, Peace and safety (preparedness) then sudden destruction cometh upon them.

Jesus said, "Learn a parable of the fig tree; when its branches are yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that the summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when we shall hear these things, know that it is near, **EVEN AT THE DOOR.**"

With these events at our very door, each living soul should stop a few moments and ask himself, "Where will I spend eternity?" Tomorrow this choice may be over, estimating each twenty-four hours, forty thousand souls or more pass into eternity, almost daily some of them are known to us. Of a truth the poet stated, "Those who trod the globe are but a handful to the tribes that slumber in its bosom.

This war has broken many homes, and hearts, hardly a home that is not touched in some way. It has caused an inexpressible feeling in many mothers', fathers', wives', brothers' and sisters' hearts, let alone the feelings of the dear ones that have left us, filled with thoughts of home and God; for well they know that on the morrow, some will sleep beneath the sod. How true are the words, Farewell, Mother, you may never press me to your heart again; but, oh, you'll not forget me, mother, etc. It is impossible for any parent to express in words the feeling that they ponder in their hearts for their children, God only knows, He can detect the thoughts. The most fervent prayer offered today possibly is not for the return of our sons as much as that we are ready to meet our God and can meet again, over there, where we can be reunited through the eternal ages to come.—**Elias Souder.**

THE PROMISE

Do you feel your heart discouraged as you pass along the way?
Does there seem to be more darkness than there is of sunny days?
It is hard to learn the lesson as we pass beneath the rod,
That the sunshine and the shadow serve alike the will of God,
But to me there comes a promise like the promise of the bow,
That however deep the waters, they shall never overflow.

When the flesh is worn and weary and the spirit is depressed,
When temptations come upon you like a storm on ocean's breast,
There's a haven ever ready for the tempest driven bird,
There is shelter from the tempest in the promise of the word:
For the standard of the Spirit shall be raised against the foe,
And however deep the waters, they shall never overflow.

When sorrow comes upon you that no other soul can share,
And the burden seems too heavy for the human heart to bear,
There is One whose grace can comfort if you'll give Him an abode,
There's a Burden-bearer ready if you will trust Him with your load,
For the precious promise reaches to the depths of human woe,
That however deep the waters, they shall never overflow.

When the sands of life are ebbing and I near dark Jordan's shore.
When I see the billows rising and I hear the waters roar,
I'll reach out my hand to Jesus, in His bosom I will hide,
It will only be a moment till I reach the other side,
It is then the fullest meaning of the promise I shall know:
"When thou passest through the waters, they shall never overflow.

Love liveth upon hope, friendship upon memory.

You have won no great victory until you have conquered yourself.

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NOT UNDERSTOOD

Not understood. We move along
asunder
Our paths grow wider as the seasons
creep
Along the years; we marvel and we
wonder
Why life is life? and then we fall
asleep,
NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Not understood. We father false im-
pressions
And hug them closer as the years go
by,
Till virtues often seem to us transgres-
sions;
And thus men rise and fall, and live
and die;
NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Not understood. Poor souls with
stunted vision
Oft measure giants by their narrow
guage;
The poisoned shafts of falsehood and
derision
Art oft impelled 'gainst those who
mould the age,
NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Not understood. The secret springs of
action,
Which lie beneath the surface and the
show,
Are disregarded; with self-satisfaction
We judge our neighbors, and they
often go,
NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Not understood. How trifles often
change us!
The thoughtless sentence or the fan-
cied slight
Destroy long years of friendship and
estrangle us,
And on our souls there falls a freezing
blight;
NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Not understood. How many breasts
are aching
For lack of sympathy? Ah! day by
day,
How many cheerless, lonely hearts
are breaking,
NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Oh, God! that men would see a little
clearer,
Or judge less harshly where they can-
not see;
Oh, God! that men would draw a lit-
tle nearer
To one another, they'd be nearer
Thee,
AND UNDERSTOOD.

If Christ had not risen, the door of
hope to a life beyond the grave would
not now be open to us.