

STORY OF THE BIBLE IN MOVING PICTURES

Pastor Russell's Drama Opens
In Empire City of South.

PASTOR HIMSELF PRESENT.

Touching Film of Abraham's Sacrifice
Furnished Text For Famous New
Yorker's Discourse—Hearts Swelled
and Eyes Moistened Under the Mes-
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Lesson on Things to Come.



Atlanta, Ga., April 26.—Pastor Russell presented his famous Photo-Drama of Creation to a highly appreciative audience in the Atlanta Theatre today.

The touching film of Abraham's great sacrifice furnished the basis of the Pastor's discourse. Hearts filled and eyes became moist as the instructive message was delivered.

What has been regarded by many as a cruel fanaticism was pointed out by the famous New Yorker as Divinely arranged and as teaching a most beautiful and significant lesson respecting the sacrifice of the anti-typical Isaac—namely, Christ and "the Church, which is His Body."

Pastor Russell's text was, "If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's Seed and heirs according to the Promise" (Galatians 3:29).

The Pastor began by demonstrating from Scripture that God calls our present condition a cursed one, that mankind are under the curse of death, and that the only way by which the world can come under God's blessing is by the bringing in of a new condition. And so when God said to Abraham, "In thy Seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed," He meant that this Seed would roll away the curse of death and roll in the blessing of life in the full sense upon humanity.

Then the Pastor pointed out that the Logos left the Heavenly courts and became a human being—taking a lower nature than He had before—and was born of the stock of Abraham. In order to become the promised Seed which was to roll away the curse of death, He next showed why Jesus, according to the flesh, could not be Messiah, the promised Seed. Even in His perfection the Man Jesus could have done nothing more for the world than to guide many into happier conditions. He could not have been the great Deliverer who was to bless all the families of earth—the dead as well as the living.

How Jesus Became the Messiah.
The Pastor explained how Jesus became the Messiah when He was baptized of John at Jordan. He showed that the water baptism was only the symbol of the real baptism which took place there; and to support his claim he quoted the prophetic statement respecting Jesus, "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O My God"—everything written in the Book. (Hebrews 10:5-9.) This statement means that our Lord, by becoming our Sacrifice, fulfilled the types and shadows of the Law Covenant—various things that were not commandments at all, but that were foreshadowed by the Jewish sacrifices.

For instance, the type showed that before there could be an atonement for sin, the bullock of the sin-offering must first be offered. Our Lord came to be the antitypical Sin-offering, to present His perfect human nature—all that He had—to give Himself in God's service as a sacrifice. The speaker threw a new light on the Apostle's somewhat ambiguous statement, "He taketh away the first, that He may establish the second," declaring that the correct thought is, He removes the type, that He may establish the anti-type.

Our Lord came to set aside the type. This He did when He presented Himself a living Sacrifice at Jordan to do unreservedly the Father's will. This meant, primarily, our Lord's death, for mankind were under the death sentence pronounced upon their Father, Adam. Therefore, it was necessary that their Redeemer should taste death for mankind before He could have wherewith to satisfy the claims of Justice on Adam's behalf and ask for the release of Adam and his race.

Next the Pastor explained that when our Lord cried on the cross, "It is finished!" He merely meant that His own personal work of the sacrifice of Himself was ended. Then came His resurrection and His manifestation to His disciples, that they might know that He had risen from the dead. He appeared and showed Himself under different conditions to prove two things: (1) That He was no longer dead; (2) That He was changed from what He had been before. The speaker dwelt at length upon our Lord's several manifestations after His resurrection. He pointed out that during the forty days before our Lord's ascension He showed Himself only a few minutes at a time, or perhaps an hour in all, and He appeared and disappeared in a way that no one but a spirit being could do. As St. Peter declared, "He was put to

death in flesh, but quickened in spirit"—made alive a spirit being.

Why Jesus Ascended on High.
Our Lord's ascension, the Pastor affirmed, was another step in the Divine Plan for the salvation of the world. It was necessary, as St. Paul declared, that Jesus should appear in the presence of God and make presentation of His blood, the merit of His sacrifice, the value of His sacrificial death, that the Church might be justified through His merit, and that the Father might give the Church the benefit of the cleansing which our Lord had accomplished for that class. Many have not noticed that the Scriptures limit our Lord's work during the Gospel Age to the Church class which is being selected, or elected, from amongst mankind. By faith this class are reconciled to God through the blood of Christ. These have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous, and may draw near to God with good courage, having their hearts sprinkled from any consciousness of evil.

The Pastor then showed that after Jesus had ascended on High He was the Spiritual Seed of Abraham, who is to bless all the families of the earth. Primarily, He became the Seed of Abraham at Jordan, when He received the anointing and to a certain extent began the work of blessing. But when He had risen from the dead and had ascended to the Father He was the Perfected One, the complete Seed, so far as He Himself was concerned.

The speaker went on to demonstrate from Scripture, however, that from the beginning God had purposed, not only that Jesus should be the great Savior and Blessor of the world, but that He should have a company of associates, who are to be sharers with Him in the great work of human uplift. These are the Gospel Church, and are to be given glory, honor and immortality in the First Resurrection. Thus they also will become members of Abraham's Spiritual Seed and share with Christ in His Millennial Kingdom. The speaker repeatedly quoted from Galatians 3, which he claimed makes the matter very clear.

The Development of the Church.
Primarily, the Seed of Abraham, as God meant it, was the Spiritual Seed—Christ and the Church on the Divine plane. But there is another Seed of Abraham, according to the flesh—the Jews. These also will have a part in the work of blessing. This fact, the Pastor declared, is set forth in Genesis 22:16-18, where God told Abraham that his seed would be as the stars of heaven and as the sand of the seashore.

The Pastor then explained how some from both Jews and Gentiles have constituted this Spiritual Seed of Abraham. He showed that Jesus, the perfect Man, gave Himself a sacrifice, laying down His earthly rights; and that God begot Him to a higher nature. Being perfect, He needed no one to make good for Him. But with the Church it is different. Every member must come to Him as the Sin-offering—the One who would cover their blishes and imperfections, and represent them as their Advocate. The early Church were in the main of Jewish origin. These had found that they could not get everlasting life by keeping the Law. Therefore, as St. Paul declared, they must become dead to it and accept Christ as their Sin-offering, and consecrate themselves, that through His merit they might become members of the Anointed.

The Gentiles never were under the Law Covenant, and therefore they came into Christ merely by the surrender of earthly things—presenting themselves living sacrifices, as did the Jews. In return for this complete consecration, those who thus present themselves by faith—whether Jew or Gentile—are begotten of the Holy Spirit to Heavenly hopes, aims and ambitions. Those who continue faithful to their covenant of sacrifice until death will receive a place in that Body of Christ, which is the Church in glory. These walk by faith and not by sight. They develop the spirit of loyalty and obedience—loyalty to God, to righteousness and the brethren, and obedience to God and the Golden Rule. Of this Christ company Jesus was the Head, the Apostles were the first members of the Body, and the faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the Gospel Age are members in particular.

The Natural Seed of Abraham.
The Pastor next discussed the descendants of Abraham through Isaac—the Jews. Briefly reviewing the history of that remarkable people, the speaker showed how God had blessed them in the past. Their trying experiences in Egypt, their journey through the wilderness en route to Canaan, and the signs and wonders which accompanied them, taught the people valuable lessons and strengthened their faith. For centuries they dwelt in the Promised Land under God's special care, sometimes chastised and sometimes blessed. But they never got the blessing sought under the terms of the Law Covenant—everlasting life. Their experiences, he pointed out, helped to develop in Israel a special class possessing the faith of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and all the Prophets, and others not so prominent.

As yet, the speaker claimed, this class have received nothing but God's promise that they shall have "a better resurrection." This they will get, he asserted, after the entire Church of Christ shall have been completed; for God has ordained that in all things Christ shall have the pre-eminence. After the Spiritual Seed of Abraham shall have been glorified, then something will begin to be done for the natural seed.

The Pastor then showed that this class of Ancient Worthies will have much advantage over the rest of the world. The Bible teaches that they will come up to human perfection in

the resurrection, instead of coming up imperfect human beings, like the remainder of mankind. This constitutes their "better resurrection." The rest of the world will require centuries in which to attain human perfection.

This Ancient Worthy class, the speaker stated, will be associated with the coming Kingdom of God, as our Lord declared, saying, "Ye shall see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and all the Prophets in the Kingdom of God." (Luke 13:28.) Jesus will be on the Throne and the Church will be with Him; but they will be invisible to men. The world will see these Ancient Worthies, who will be perfect men—grand examples of the image of God in the flesh. They will constitute the earthly phase of the Kingdom, in that they will represent the invisible Heavenly Kingdom.

How the Blessing Will Come.
The Pastor then gave an outline of arrangements in the Kingdom of Messiah. The Spiritual Seed of Abraham will be in the glory of the Kingdom—spirit beings, invisible to men. The natural seed of Abraham will be "Princes in all the earth," as Psalm 45 sets forth. When the Kingdom is set up, God's blessings will first go to all "Israelites indeed." The first representatives will be the Ancient Worthies, with whom the speaker thinks all the promised earthly blessings will rest as representatives of Messiah on earth. Only by coming into relationship with this company will any get the full blessing of the Millennial Kingdom.

The Pastor illustrated in the case of the United States. There are certain privileges and blessings to be secured by getting citizenship here; and as a result people flock here from everywhere and become citizens, in order that they may enjoy these blessings and privileges. This, he declared, is exactly the picture given in the Scriptures. In the future all the world will press for citizenship in the nation of Israel. The terms of citizenship there will be full surrender—abandonment of sin, consecration to God, faith and trust in Him, and loyalty and obedience to the great Messianic Kingdom.

The Pastor thinks that the Jews will be the first people to come into the Kingdom, for the reason that the offer to mankind will be more in line with what that people have been expecting for many centuries. The Promise was made to their ancestor Abraham about four thousand years ago that in his Seed all the families of the earth should be blessed. The Jew still has it in mind, the Pastor believes, that somehow Messiah and His Kingdom are coming, and that the blessing of Abraham is yet to come.

The Jew does not know what to make of all that has been going on for the past eighteen hundred years, the speaker declared. He has been greatly puzzled to know why Lazarus should have been taken into Abraham's bosom as Abraham's child, and why he himself should seemingly be rejected, outcast and in trouble; but soon his eyes will be opened. At the proper moment God will pour upon Israel the spirit of prayer and supplication, and they shall look upon Him whom they pierced, as the Prophet Zechariah foretold. (Zechariah 12:10.) Then they will begin to see something of God's great Mystery—that it was necessary that mankind be redeemed before they could be restored. They will begin to get the key to the Divine Plan, which rests upon the Cross of Christ.

The next class to come into line with the Kingdom, the Pastor thinks, will be a class of Christian people that have been considerably misled and confused. As soon as these begin to get their eyes open a little, they will perceive that others have understood the Scriptures better than they have, and then they will begin to study. The Bible intimates that this will be their course—that the foolish virgins will get the oil and will finally come into harmony with God. Gradually the Message will spread until all nations will realize that the Kingdom of God has been established, and that by becoming Israelites they will get the blessings. To support this somewhat remarkable statement, the Pastor quoted several prophecies, among which was Zechariah 14:16-21.

The speaker believes that by the end of the Millennial Age all evil-doers will have been destroyed and all the remainder of mankind will have become Abraham's seed—a great number, which no man can estimate. Then will come a trial to determine who are loyal at heart. Having demonstrated that they could be loyal during the favorable conditions of Christ's Messianic Kingdom, when every wrong act was punished and every good deed blessed, mankind will then be tried to see whether they will do right when left to themselves and the Kingdom withdrawn. Satan will be loosed for a little while. Then there will be opportunity for sin to prevail. The race of Adam, then perfect human beings, will be tested in order to determine whether they really love God and whether they are loyal to the principles of righteousness. Those who are found to be disloyal to truth and righteousness and God will be destroyed from amongst the people.—Acts 3:23; 2 Peter 2:12.

In concluding his discourse, the Pastor declared that as the test at the end of the Millennial Age will be loyalty, even so this is the test upon Christian people today. The Lord desires not those who merely fear to do wrong, but those who love to do right and hate to do wrong. He claimed that there is only a little more time in which Christians will have the opportunity to develop character and to stand the test. All of those found worthy to walk with our Lord will be accepted as worthy of the best beyond the veil, and the door to the High Calling will be shut. Then will come the great tribulation mentioned in Revelation 7, out of which will gradually come the Great Company—all overcomers, indeed, but not "more than conquerors."

WAR SPIRIT IN CONGRESS

Some of Foreign Affairs Mem-
bers for More Militancy.

WORD STORM IS BREWING,

Every Committee Active in Case of
Change of Policy Is Prepared to Re-
spond—House to Pass Naval Bill
This Week.

Washington, April 27.—The bellicose spirit manifest among a considerable group in congress, headed by some of the more prominent Democrats, has been toned down for the time being by the negotiations for the solution by the three South American governments. Leaders of this element had not hesitated to say among themselves that at least 100 members had expressed themselves in favor of more aggressive action toward Mexico by the administration.

Even some of the members of the foreign affairs committee privately subscribed to the idea that the government could not long withhold either an onward march to Mexico City for the protection of the American citizens reported to be imperiled or to make a straight out declaration of war. Moreover, among some of the house members, there was a disposition to criticize the president for not consulting with the real leaders of congress to ascertain the sentiment at the capitol. Although the feeling in the senate toward a more aggressive policy has not become so apparent as in the house, many leaders would be surprised to see the coming week end without an oratorical outbreak if the mediation efforts of Argentine, Brazil and Chile fail or there are authentic reports of outrages on Americans in Mexico.

Discussion of the situation will begin again in the house today, when Representative Kahn proposes to talk on the mediation plan, and it is probable that this new phase also will receive the attention of senators.

Every committee of congress which would be active in case of a change in the Mexican policy is prepared to respond at once to any call of the administration.

Holds Up Deficiency Bill.
In the house, the appropriations committee is holding up a deficiency bill carrying \$3,500,000, fearing that it must later report a bill carrying a much greater amount with a Mexican service appropriation in it, the ways and means committee is ready to take up a war revenue bill if necessary and the military and naval committees are primed for action.

The house has set the naval bill for the week's work and it may be passed on Saturday. It carries a total of \$12,000,000 and provides for the construction of two battleships. Before finally agreed upon by the both houses the measure may be so worded as to become a law at once to make the funds immediately available.

MISUNDERSTANDING CLEARED

Mexico City Now Knows Mexicans
May Leave Vera Cruz.

Washington, April 27.—Secretary of State Bryan announced that through the British ambassador the "misunderstanding in Mexico City as to Mexicans being held against their will in Vera Cruz has been cleared up." The secretary said that he was informed that Secretary Hohler of the British embassy in Mexico City, had taken a train load of Mexicans from Vera Cruz to Mexico City, and that as a result a train load of Americans was ready to start from the Mexican capital for Vera Cruz.

The secretary said that the British ambassador had conducted negotiations which led to the clearing up of the "misunderstanding," and that he believed there would be no further difficulty in getting Americans now in Mexico City safely to Admiral Badger at the eastern coast.

Secretary Bryan also declared that the state department was receiving "very encouraging" reports from the Mexican border. He asserted that no evidence of anti-American feeling or demonstrations had been reported from territory now held by the constitutionalists.

Spaniards Remain Neutral.

Washington, April 27.—Spanish diplomatic officials in Washington stated emphatically that Spanish residents in Mexico were maintaining the most scrupulous neutrality in the present situation and that published reports, purporting to quote General Carranza in a dispatch to Madrid, as saying that many of the 17,000 Spaniards in Mexico are ready to fight by the side of Mexicans against the invaders, were groundless in view of the strictly neutral attitude of Spaniards in Mexico.

Cable Lines to Mexico City Reopened.

Galveston, April 27.—The cable line to Mexico City was reopened after being silent nearly three days, but such dispatches as came through were subject to censorship and were mostly messages which had been on file some time. There was nothing in these messages to indicate a general outbreak against Americans in Mexico City, but reports reached Galveston that two or three Americans had been killed in Mexico City through lawlessness of individuals.

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1, Otto Witthauer Co. Auditor, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution of Necessity was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Audubon Co., on the 11th day of April A. D. 1914.

Otto Witthauer
County Auditor
Audubon County Ia.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet again at 10 o'clock A. M. May 12th, 1914.

Otto Witthauer
County Auditor.
D. D. Sampson
Chm. Board of Supervisors

Poor Provider.
An old negro in Texas was asked if he was going to register. He wished to know how he would have to proceed. On being told that he had to swear to support the constitution, his eyes widened, and, drawing a long breath, he said he couldn't do it, because he couldn't support himself.

Seeking to Improve Telephone.
Because the microphone of a telephone transmitter becomes more sensitive in rarified air, German electricians are trying to make a practical application of the phenomenon.

Light for Photography.
Photographers now receive light very similar to that through the traditional studio skylight by vapor tube electric lamps filled with carbon dioxide instead of mercury vapor.

Require Only Small Outfit.
The active Arab barbers require only a pair of scissors, a pair of clippers, and a razor for their equipment. They erect their temporary shops in the market-places by spreading some matting over a few poles. Arabs have their heads shaved, keeping the hair short so that the white skull cap over which the fez is worn will fit closely.

Talleyrand and Josephine.
Talleyrand, the notorious French statesman, friend of Napoleon and ambassador at the English court, was designed for a military career, but an accident, when one year old, rendered him a cripple for life. His cunning cleverness, political penetration, adroit intrigues and ingenious subterfuges were vehemently opposed by the emperor's wife, Josephine, who energetically denounced him as a "cursed cripple."

Faults Common to All.
On the whole we make too much of faults. Faults? The greatest of faults, I should say, is to have none.—Thomas Carlyle.

Will Ingeniously Concealed.
A will has been found under eleven thicknesses of wallpaper by workmen engaged in stripping the walls of a house adjoining the Royal Marine hotel, Cowes, Isle of Wight.

Good Fertilizer for Ferns.
Nitrate of soda dissolved in water should be given to ferns that are small or weak, but do not make the proportion of nitrate more than one-quarter of an ounce to the gallon, but large plants, and those of vigorous growth should be watered with a solution in proportion of one-half an ounce of nitrate to the gallon. Apply about every ten days. Soot and salt are also good.

Look Forward.
Who can see the brilliancy of character attained by individuals of our race without feeling that there is a pledge in this that what has been done already in the individual will yet be accomplished in the nation and the race?—F. W. Robertson.

Not a Politician.
If a man is too proud to beg and too honest to steal, declares Jerome, he has no business getting into politics.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

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