

BROOKLYN TABERNACLE PASTOR RUSSELL'S WEEKLY SERMON

Pastor Russell preached in the opera house at Paterson, N. J. His topic was, "Beyond the Grave." We report his discourse to Bible students on the text: "The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me."—Ps. 116:3.

Opening his address the pastor apologized for the selection of such a text. He would much prefer to talk along the lines of Christian character-building and the necessity of growing in grace, knowledge and love, and thus becoming more and more copies of God's dear Son. His apology was that his text, a sample of many other Bible statements, is so grievously misunderstood as to stand in the way of Christian progress. In conjunction with other Scriptures, it was woven into terrible theories during the Dark Ages. Those theories became imbedded in the various creeds of the time and so obstructed the channels of thought that the grace, truth and beauty of the Bible were hidden. Many noble hearts, who claimed to be searching for lack of the refreshment of God's truth, by reason of the fossilized errors which block the way.

The Serl, unres forer conditions exactly as they are today. They declare that there shall be a famine in the land—not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the Word of the Lord (Amos 8:11). Again the Scriptures declare, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." (Hosia 4:6). It is certainly true that there are as many honest-hearted, conscientious, well-meaning people in the world today as have ever lived—perhaps more. Yet these well-meaning people are perishing, famishing for lack of spiritual nourishment. True, there are some who claim to be well-nourished and to find in the popular pulpits of the land all the spiritual refreshment and strength they need.

But these are as nothing compared with the millions who give a different testimony. I am glad that those who attend worship regularly and are well-nourished and well satisfied, have what they desire, at the mouth of a hundred thousand preachers. I am reaching out after the lost sheep of the house of Israel, through the secret press. They tell me that I am reaching millions of the unchurched every week. My readers are the discontented, the unsatisfied, perishing for lack of knowledge, hungering and thirsting after the right ways of God—the real teachings of the Bible.

My heart goes out to those as the heart of Jesus went out to the same class nearly nineteen centuries ago. We read, "He had compassion on the multitude, for He beheld that they were like sheep having no shepherd."

a transformation in their lives. Many do rejoice, but alas! a few are jealous, as were some of the scribes and Pharisees of Jesus' day. Of these we read, "They were grieved that He taught the people—the people whom they could not reach, the sheep that were straying and famishing. As those jealous scribes and Pharisees antagonized Jesus and the apostles, because their hearts were out of harmony with the good tidings, so it is today with some. Unable to uphold the doctrine which have driven away so many of the intelligent of their flock, famished for truth, a few ministers are angry with us. True to the Master's prophecy, these seek to say all manner of evil falsely against us, for His sake, for the truth's sake. Yet in spite of their unchristian course, the poor straying sheep are hearing and recognizing the voice divine, are coming back to the Word of God, are being sanctified by the Word of Truth.

I Proceed With My Text. If this were the only text mistranslated and misunderstood, the ordinary reader would doubtless pass it by, saying, "I do not understand it. Probably it is a figure of speech." But this text is merely a combination of mistranslations, all of which are connected with an eternal torment system of doctrines invented during the Dark Ages. It is this combined system which has such power over men's minds. This power of error, this power of fear, is turning intelligent minds away from the Bible. Hence it is our duty to break down the false doctrines, and clear away the obstacles which hinder the flow of truth to the minds and hearts of the people of God—the straying sheep. Nor are these straying sheep all, or chiefly the ignorant. They include many of the ablest minds and truest hearts in the world—minds and hearts too true and too logical to believe palpable falsehoods, or to profess what they do not believe.

The Palmist is merely telling of his severe illness, from which by the grace of God he recovered. He would have us understand that it was not merely a slight ailment. He described his emotions in the language of our text, saying, "The sorrows of death compassed me about;" that is to say, the sadness associated with the thought that he was about to die, about to leave his friends. In the poetic form of the Hebrew language, he repeated this thought; namely, "The pains of hell gat hold upon me." In our modern language this would mean the pains of death, or the pains of the tomb. They were pains that indicated the approach of dissolution. Nothing in this text has the slightest reference to anything in the future life.

Our Baptist friends, in their revised translation of the Bible, have chosen for such passages as this the expression, "the underworld," instead of the word "hell." Yet even here there is danger of the average reader not catching the true thought. Far simpler and far less liable to be misunderstood, far less likely to be translated, said, "The pains of hell," the revised version of the English Bible reads, "The pains of Sheol."

Every learned minister knows that the Hebrew word Sheol really means the grave, the pit, the state of death. Why do they hesitate to tell the people the whole truth on this subject? Why do they translate it part of the time "the grave" and at other times "the underworld"? Why do they use the translation, "the grave" in one place, and "the pit" in another, and then refuse to translate the word at all in the third instance, but give the word Sheol? Was it their intention to confuse the people? What is the motive? We wish that some of these great men would explain.

The Reason for All This. We would like to have our ministerial brethren state their reasons for pursuing a course of hiding the truth on the subject of hell. Only because they need to give the reasons do we feel at liberty to suggest them. It seems to me that these ministers are of two classes, and that their reasons are therefore slightly different. All of them seem to agree that it would be dangerous to tell the people that God is really a God of Love, and that the doctrine of an eternity of torture is entirely unscriptural, finding no foundation whatever in the writings of the apostles.

They fear to tell the people that these doctrines were built up during the Dark Ages by the very men who manifested so little of the spirit of God and so little knowledge of God's will respecting His people that they burned one another at the stake. They fear to tell the people that during the Dark Ages our blinded forefathers took the parables and dark sayings of Jesus as literal statements, quite contrary to the Master's evident intention. These they supplemented with certain crude misconceptions of the symbols of the Revelation. From the combinations they made scarecrow doctrines, blasphemous in the extreme, which never produced saints, but which led men astray into thinking that they were copying God in the devilry which they accomplished one toward another.

The fear now seems to be lest the public should once perceive that the creeds of Christendom, while containing much good, are cankered, wormy and vitiated by those doctrines of demons. Why should they fear to tell the people the truth? Perhaps it is because the religion of our day is built so largely upon man-worship, system-worship, creed-worship and not upon the Bible. Perhaps they fear that if the creeds were thus dismantled it would mean that the ministers of those creeds would be similarly discredited. Perhaps they fear that the people would never again have confidence in their teachings, and that thus all the various party walls of Christendom which for so long a time have divided the sheep would fall. We cannot definitely know their reasons, because they do not tell us, we can only surmise.

Others, very worldly-wise, have become higher critics and do not believe in the Bible at all. They are really agnostics. But they do not desire to advertise their lack of faith, lest it should detract from their esteem

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GIRL HONORED BY U. S.

New York, May 3.—Miss Evelina James of San Antonio, Texas, an art student here, is receiving the congratulations of her friends, and she is the girl whose portrait is likely to become more popular than any other. It is safe to say her picture will be in every American home, as it will appear exclusively on Uncle Sam's paper money. It was recently selected by a committee of congress as the central feminine figure of a decorative group on the reverse side of the new currency. Certificate Re-Extending Charter. Treasury Department, Office of Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, D. C., April 11, 1913. Whereas, By satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Missoula," located in the town of Missoula, in the county of Missoula and the state of Montana, has complied with all the provisions of the act of congress "to enable National Banking association to extend their corporate existence, and for other purposes," approved July 12, 1882, as amended by the act, approved April 12, 1902; Now, therefore, I, Thomas P. Kane, deputy and acting comptroller of the currency, do hereby certify that "The First National Bank of Missoula," located in the town of Missoula, in the county of Missoula and state of Montana, is authorized to have succession for the period specified in its amended article of association; namely, until the close of business on April 10, 1933. In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal of office this 11th day of April 1913. T. P. KANE, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency. Charter No. 2106. Extension No. 1157. 4-17 to 5-18.

Notice of Annual Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Buffalo Mining company, will be held at the Norden Hotel, Missoula, Mont., on the 6th day of May, 1913, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. GEO. W. WALL, Secretary.

The Doctor's Answers on Health and Beauty Questions

By DR. LEWIS BAKER.

The questions answered below are general in character; the symptoms or diseases are given and the answers will apply to any case of similar nature. Those wishing further advice, free, may address Dr. Lewis Baker, College Bldg., College-Building St., Dayton, Ohio, enclosing self-addressed, stamped envelope for reply. Full name and address must be given but only initials or a home-made name will be used in my answers. The prescriptions can be filled at any well-stocked drug store. Any druggist can order of wholesaler.

(Ques: Iodide of potassium, 2 drams; wine of colchicum, half ounce; sodium salicylate, 1 ounce.

"Morris" asks: "I have suffered with a chronic cough for almost a year, and catch a fresh cold every few weeks. Nothing the doctor gives me helps, so I write to you."

Answer: You need a thorough laxative cough syrup, one that not only relieves but truly drives it from the system. The following regularly used will cure any curable cough or cold promptly: Obtain a 2 1/2-oz. bottle of essence menthae, mix it with a home-made sugar syrup or honey as per directions on bottle.

"Anxious B." writes: "I have in recent years been threatened with appendicitis, but always by never coming to an operation. Indigestion, constipation and secretory habits cause me much suffering. Kindly prescribe for dyspepsia something which you think will cure me and prevent appendicitis."

Answer: The most scientific and satisfactory treatment for trouble is tablets tripeptone; packed pink, white and blue in sealed cartons with full directions. All stomach disorders can be conquered by regular treatment.

"Nervous M." writes: "Loss of sleep, nervousness, loss of appetite and over work has made almost a complete wreck of me. I have to work, but can scarcely find one foot after the other. Please advise."

Answer: The condition you describe is prevalent especially with brain workers. Use the following: Compound syrup of hypophosphites, 5 ozs.; tincture codonopsis, 1 oz.; mix. Shake well and take a teaspoonful before meals.

"Sara C." writes: "I am constipated and have a greasy skin. Suffer from headache, indigestion and some kidney trouble. I wish you to recommend a remedy."

Answer: The best remedy to relieve and cure chronic constipation is called three-grain suppher tablets made from sublimed cream of tartar and herb medicine. Taken regularly the "body" is purified, the bowels and liver stimulated into healthy action and a cure established. They are packed in sealed tubes with full directions for home use, and any well-stocked druggist can supply them.

"Mamma" writes: "I know of nothing better for bed-wetting than 1 dram of tincture of cubeb, 2 drams of tincture of castor and 1 oz. comp. fluid balsamwort. 1 oz.; syrup sarsaparilla comp, 5

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