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As A Matter Of Fact

The plan decided upon by the elders of the Highland Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas, for the use of guest speakers and for alternating speakers on the Herald of Truth has now become fact. Two guest speakers were chosen, the first of whose sermon is included in this publication and arrangements have been completed for the remainder of the year.

The first guest speaker was G.K. Wallace from Wichita, Kansas, well-known by his brethren for soundness of teaching and fervent appeal. A native of Texas and a graduate of Abilene Christian College he has been preaching the gospel for twenty-seven years. The greater portion of his local work has been done among the churches in Wichita, Kansas, and Kansas City, Mo. He has done evangelistic work all over the nation. Brother Wallace has contributed to numerous brotherhood publications and has produced great numbers of tracts and booklets dealing with almost every phase of doctrinal error.

He is presently serving with the Herald of Truth as one of the preachers who helps answer questions coming in from all parts of the country and will continue to serve in this capacity although he begins full-time work with Florida Christian College in September of this year. His sermon which was heard over the ABC network and which is the last of the series contained herein, is "Crossroads of Life."

The second guest speaker to be chosen by the Highland elders is another veteran preacher of near 30 years, Brother C.E. McGaughey. As Brother Wallace, Ellis McGaughey is no stranger to his brethren throughout the nation. He has done full-time work with the 10th & Francis congregation in Oklahoma City and other congregations including Washington, D.C. After several years of located work with the church in our nation's capitol, he decided to enter the evangelistic field altogether and has held meetings in many states during the past few years. His two sons, Don and Paul, are also devoting their lives to the preaching of the gospel. Brother McGaughey has made his home in Springfield, Mo. C. E. McGaughey, in his preaching, possesses a talent of combining sound teaching with fervent evangelistic appeal. We hope that you will hear him on the Herald of Truth on July 13, when his subject will be, "The New Testament Church," and that you will enjoy reading it in next month's report.

Beginning July 20, Brother James D. Willeford of Madison, Wisconsin, will be the regular speaker. He has been a great help during the past two years, in making the nationwide broadcasts a reality, speaking in many states on its behalf. Brother Willeford is another native of Texas, beginning his preaching career with congregations in that

state. He has served full-time with congregations in Anson, Texas, Carlsbad, N.M., and other southwestern cities. Nearly four years ago, when the work in Madison reached the point that a full-time minister was needed, he was sent by churches in Texas and New Mexico to help develop this new work. During the time that he has been with the brethren there, the church has met with encouraging growth, moving into a new building in September of last year.

Brother Willeford's work in preaching by radio represents the beginnings of the nation-wide broadcasts. In 1949 he, with Brother Nichols, merged their local programs, in what was the first two stations of the now more than 200 station hook-up. His preaching style is calm, logical, and very appealing. His first lesson will begin a series on why we of the 20th century should accept the Bible today, in a sermon entitled, "Why the Bible." That sermon, along with his next one, will appear next month.

Brother James W. Nichols, who has been the regular speaker since the first broadcast on February 10, will continue to be heard each week in his short "personal word," just preceding the sermon.

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In This Month's Mail

Again this month many letters have been received which we know will interest you. Following are just a few.

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Dear Rev. Nichols,

I have just been listening to your message on the radio. WSJS. "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" Now, my dear friend, this is a matter that concerns me so much. Will you please tell me what to do to be saved and how to do it and I will obey it and will meet you in Heaven.

Please send me the sermon No. 19, or that which will direct me what to do to be saved.

I have been practicing law for the past 40 years and I realize that I am lost and I want to be saved.

God bless you in your work for Christ in saving souls.

Faithfully yours,
(signed)

Bermuda

Dear Mr. Reese,

I'm sure that by now you have heard from Bro. Leonard Mullens in Dallas concerning the work in Bermuda and information you were interested in about the Radio Program being broadcast over here. He was here at the time we received your letter and I passed it on to him and felt he could handle it better than we.

At the present time there is a group of about 20 people meeting on the Navy Base for worship. We are trying very hard to secure a building in Hamilton and also hope to have a minister over here. A great work could be done here and we are working and praying that we can get help and establish the church while there are a number of us here.

I wish I knew words to tell you how much we feel the radio program would help over here, especially at this time. The people over here have no idea what the church is and have never heard a Gospel sermon. We are very anxious to know if you feel it will be possible. If by any chance you haven't heard from Bro. Mullens please let us know and we will be more than happy to help in any way we can. If you ever contact anyone interested in the work or who will help us in any way please contact Bro. Mullens, the Edgefield Church in Dallas.

May God bless you in your work and pray for us in what we are trying to do.

Sincerely,
(signed)

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Anniston, Ala.

Dear Brethren,

Just a few lines to let you know that I am continuing to enjoy the broadcasts and appreciate your efforts very much.

It is requested that you send me one of your books on "Back to God" as announced on your broadcast.

It might interest you to know that I have listened to your broadcast for the past six months in Alabama, Philadelphia, Penn., and Long Island, New York, and find the program is always very clear and on the better known stations. New York especially is taking advantage of the extra few minutes allotted for local announcements.

May God continue to bless you in your efforts and our prayer is always for you.

Yours in Christ,
(signed)

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Dear Sirs:

Please send me Booklet No. 14.

May I ask one question? Should one go to all these churches that are not identified in the New Testament and teach other doctrines other than that which is written?

I cannot find any of these denominational churches identified in the Bible.

Wishing you great success.

(signed)

Checotah, Okla.

To the "Herald of Truth":

I listen to your program over KRMG, Tulsa, at 2 o'clock on Sunday, and know it is the truth, so I am sending for two copies of your "Why Back to God" pamphlets - one copy for myself and another for another lady, also sermon No. 14.

Will you please explain why the church of Christ teaches Acts 2:38 baptism and baptize using Matt. 28:19 sermons for baptism. Didn't Peter tell them to baptize in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost? I would like to have a definite understanding of baptism. I will be listening to your broadcast.

Yours in Christ,
(signed)

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Toronto, Ont., Canada

Dear Brother Nichols,

As you may have already been informed the four churches of Christ in Toronto have for some years sponsored a half-hour radio broadcast each Sunday morning. Last Sunday a tape recording of one of your former broadcasts was put on the air over this Toronto station - CKEY.

There are many religious programs broadcast over Canadian stations on the Lord's Day and during the week too. In fact, it seems like a babel of confused voices. Last Sunday we were visiting with my father, who is alone and over 70 years old, but his home is about mid-way between Toronto and Detroit and quite difficult to listen to CKEY.

I was born and spent my first 17 years on a farm in this area - in a general way it would be the top of a triangle whose base was a line between Cleveland and Detroit. Unfortunately the church there, which dates back over 120 years, went digressive about 50 years ago. Most of the membership is related to the writer and they are mostly Canadian rural stock who have lived in the same community for 5 to 7 generations. I am very much interested in having these good people listen regularly to your program. Would appreciate it very much if you would advise what stations carry the broadcast in the north of your country, especially Detroit, Cleveland and Buffalo - also the time.

It is indeed thrilling to hear God's word magnified and exalted and to hear such beautiful songs of praise. We are surely looking forward to future broadcasts and have been telling our friends about your wonderful program.

Our prayer is that your splendid work may prosper and that it may strengthen individual Christians and congregations and that many souls will be led to obey the Truth.

Fraternally,
(signed)

Ft. Collins, Colo.

Dear Brethren,

Please accept our appreciation for the "contact memorandum" that we received in yesterday's mail.

In this case the lady in question is a member of the church, but the next one might not be, so we do appreciate your very fine program and the splendid manner in which you follow up these leads.

Yours in Christ,
(signed)

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Longview, Wash.

Radio Station KEX
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sirs,

I have been listening to the "Herald of Truth" program on your station Sunday afternoon. Truth it is indeed. Other church programs seem wishy-washy in comparison.

It seems significant that they do not make a plea to the listeners to open their purse and pay up, as most of the other churches do. One would think these other churches are on the brink of collapse, and if you didn't mail a contribution immediately they would fall flat.

It's fine to see a church standing firmly on its own feet--teaching something with some meat in it--something a person can get their teeth into so to speak.

It's wonderful that we have freedom of religion, speech, press, and radio. I hope and pray that this freedom will always be ours.

Thank you for your part in bringing me this program.

Sincerely,
(signed)

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"Godly Sorrow"

By James W. Nichols - - - June 1, 1952

Sorrow in any man's life, at the time, seems as a disaster, but it has been from the depth of sorrow and disappointment that many a master piece has been created. So it is with Godly sorrow. Paul thanks God for that sorrow which changes man's life, for he says in II Cor. 7:9-10, "Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death."

We want today to talk about sorrow and its result in God's scheme of redemption. Last week we studied the meaning of saving faith of the New Testament. We found that this saving faith is a faith of action. Apart from the works of conversion, it becomes a dead faith. James said, "Faith without works is dead," James 2:26. Merely giving consent of the mind to the validity of a matter does not constitute saving faith. James reminds us again that, "The demons believe and shudder." Thus saving faith is as a watch. I have here before me a watch. I can take off the back and look at the works. There are many parts, but they make up the one watch. If I were to take out part of, or all the works of faith, then it is a dead faith; it is empty. Yet we call the consent of the mind, faith, although it is as useless as an empty watch.

Therefore, having found that the mercy and grace of God demand a live and working faith to receive His salvation, we must seek, by the word of God, to find and determine the commandments given to lost man. That has been God's plan from the beginning, that, although He comes more than half way to save man, man must put forth his hand, through the Lord's commandments, to accept the grace of God. So may our prayer be that we may open our hearts to the word and hear the commandments---eager to obey.

Since "Christ died for us while we were yet sinners," true repentance must immediately follow our conviction "that God is and that He is the rewarder of them that diligently seek after Him," and yet is the avenger of those who reject and disobey Him. We must have a change of heart. We must turn from our sins and resolve to walk in them no more. Some people get mixed up and confuse repentance and remission. We must remember that repentance is man's part, and remission is God's part. We cannot be converted to Christianity with sin in our hearts and still be proud of it. I am sorry to say that there are many who have gone through the process of conversion, but were never converted because they never repented from the heart. Christ told the multitudes, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish,"

Luke 13:3.

It seems that men in all ages have understood the meaning of repentance. Even back in the times of Job, men understood repentance. When all of Job's friends thought he was suffering because of sin, one of them, Zophar, in trying to help Job out of his troubles, called his attention to repentance in these wonderful words: "If thou set thy heart aright and stretch out thy hands toward Him; if iniquity be in thy hand, put it far away, and let not unrighteousness dwell in thy tents." Job 11:13. There could be found no better call and understanding of repentance than from these words of one of the Bible's oldest books.

We could spend all our time today just bringing out the instances of repentance in the Old Testament, but turning to the New Testament we can see the preaching of repentance as even the first beams of light appear over the horizon to foretell the coming of a new day. John, the forerunner of the Master, preaching to the multitudes in the wilderness of Judea said, "Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." We can hear him as he shouts the warning to "bring forth fruits worthy of repentance." Then we can hear the Son of God as He walked among men, taking up the same warning note and crying, "Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," Matt. 4:17. Then for the rest of His life, three and a half years, Christ, with His disciples, went about calling the people to repentance. After His work had been finished, after He had suffered death on the cross of Calvary and had conquered death by coming forth on the third day, we can hear Him say, just before He ascends to the Father, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer, and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name unto all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem." Luke 24:46-47.

After he spoke these words to the chosen number, they beheld Him ascend on the clouds into the heavens. Then that group went to Jerusalem according to the commandments. There waiting for the promised power to "guide their minds in all truth," they prayed to God. On the day of Pentecost, while they were all together, the spirit of God descended upon them, and they were endowed with the divine power to do what Jesus told them. What was it that Jesus told them? "Repentance and remission of sins shall be preached in His name, beginning at Jerusalem." Then with that power they began to preach, and the multitudes came together and heard Peter preach that marvelous sermon. When they heard the words spoken they realized that they had killed the Savior. "They were pricked in their hearts, and said unto Peter and the rest of the apostles, Brethren, what shall we do?" And Peter said unto them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, unto the remission of your

sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit," Acts 2:37-38. So the apostles had begun that very thing that Christ said should be done, "Repentance and remission of sins preached in Jerusalem in His name." When it was preached by the Spirit-guided apostles, they must have said just the right thing, in the right way. And Peter said, "Repent and be baptized for the remission of sins."

Is it possible, my friends, that we are doing wrong today when we tell convicted souls who are as anxious as those in the long ago to "repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus for the remission of your sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit?"

In this plan we notice that repentance was and is as necessary to the remission of sins as baptism. Repentance straightens up the life; it turns a man right about in his own mind. Baptism, an obedient act to the will of Christ, and connected with genuine repentance, is for the remission of the sins for which the believer has repented.

Now, what is repentance? "Or despiseth thou the riches of His goodness and forbearance and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance," Romans 2:4. From this verse we learn that we are led to repentance by the goodness of God. That goodness of God is revealed in the life and death of His only Son, Jesus the Christ. As we study the life of the perfect Being, and see the beauty of holiness manifested through His earthly pilgrimage, then follow Him to Calvary and watch Him suffer there, dying for our sins, making it possible for poor sinners to be saved, and to become children of God, we ask why all this glow of love, why all this display of goodness? What wondrous love, O! my soul! And the answer comes back in this text, "The goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance."

Again, hear Paul to the Corinthians: "I now rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye were made sorry unto repentance; for ye were made sorry after a godly sort, that ye might suffer loss by us in nothing. For godly sorrow worketh repentance unto salvation, a repentance that bringeth no regret, but the sorrow of the world worketh death," II Cor. 7:9-10.

Then the story of redeeming love that will naturally touch and tender the hearts of men is a godly testimony. And godly testimony is intended to lead men to godly sorrow. Godly sorrow will work repentance, and without repentance man must perish. Therefore, Jesus died to make a way possible for sinful men to escape that perishing, eternal death. Hence "we love Him because He first loved us."

From our study, we conclude that godly sorrow is not repentance---but it leads to repentance. Also, we conclude that reformation is not repentance, but the result of repentance. Then, what is repentance? Before we answer, let

us notice a few scriptural statements. "But what think ye? A man had two sons; and he came to the first and said, "Son go work today in the vineyard." And he answered and said, "I will not;" but afterward he repented himself and went." Matt. 21:28-29. Here we understand that this boy changed his mind and did that which he had said he would not do. Jesus said that was repentance. "He repented himself." "The men of Ninevah shall stand up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, a greater than Jonah is here." Matt. 12:41. What did Jesus say about the men of Ninevah? "They repented at the preaching of Jonah." Now we will turn to the account given by Jonah and see what they did. "And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way," Jonah 3:10. "They turned from their evil way." What was that, Jesus. "They repented."

Now we know what Jesus calls repentance. When men turn from their evil way, that is repentance. Reformation is the result of turning from evil---therefore, reformation is the result of repentance. Repentance, then, is the change of heart, the determination of the will to do better and leave off evil.

Sinners are told to repent and be baptized for the remission of sins. They are told to determine to do better, leave off evil, change their hearts, then be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of these sins. That means for the pardon of these sins. It is possible for baptized believers to sin. And when they do, the remedy for them includes repentance. To the believing, baptized Simon of old, who had sinned, Peter said, "Repent therefore of this wickedness, and pray the Lord, if perhaps the thought of thy heart shall be forgiven thee." Acts 8:22.

Then, before the erring child can call for mercy and forgiveness, he must repent. Therefore, the erring saint must determine to do better, leave off evil, change his purpose before he approaches the throne of God for forgiveness. However, if he will willingly bow to this law of pardon, God has promised to forgive.

Then seeing that repentance of sins is a part of God's plan to save man, may we truly repent of every sin and turn to follow the other commandments of love. It is my prayer that the goodness of God will bring godly sorrow to the door of your heart. Then in the depths of sorrow, you may turn your heart and life to Christ. It is a miserable soul indeed that cannot repent. 'Tis sad, indeed, to know that lips cannot form the words, "I've done wrong. I'm sorry and I'm going to change." I would to God that today you might say in the words of David of old, "Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from

my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest." Psalms 51:1-4.

Will you now as we now sing, resolve to come to Christ today by believing, repenting, confessing, being baptized--today? We pray that you will!

"Confession of Our Faith"

By James W. Nichols - - June 8, 1952

One of the greatest promises that man has ever received is that which was spoken by Jesus in Matthew the tenth chapter, thirty-second verse: "Whosoever shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven." By faith I can behold all the billions who have lived and who will ever live on this earth, gathered before the throne of God, with Christ standing there in all of His glory, judging every man. As he finds a man who has confessed Him in both word and deed, according to His commandment, He turns to the Father and perhaps utters these words: "Father, this one, my brother and thy son, has been faithful to the trust that was left him. His robe is white, his hands are clean; may we bless him with the joys of everlasting life?" Think of it. Christ standing there before every man, woman, boy or girl who has walked the paths of earth, before angels and before God Himself, confessing our name because that we were willing to confess His before men. Oh, it is the desire of my heart to some day hear those glad words, and I know it is yours also.

The majority of all religious people are able to understand that confession of our faith in Christ and God is one of the necessities of salvation. Therefore, as we, with searching hearts, study to know what we must do to be saved we must not overlook the study of this phase.

There are, perhaps, many who give assent of their mind to Christ but who, as spineless, cowardly individuals, cannot muster the courage nor the stamina to let others know the thoughts of their hearts. There were men like that in the time of Christ, for John, inspired by the Holy Spirit, tells us in John 12:42-43, "Nevertheless, among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him lest they should be put out of the synagogue: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God." You know, and I know that such creatures who will sacrifice their own faith and conscience, amount to very little, but unfortunately we have men such as that today.

This is one of the answers to why our nation is so corrupt. It is not just our leaders who sacrifice faith and conscience, but it is the thousands of little people like you and me, who by our spineless attitude, have undermined, not only our morals, but the morals of the nation. Too many of us have become "yes" men in every sort of situation. We are willing to go with the crowd. We are just like those rulers in Jesus' time. If men curse, we will curse. If our associates commit fornication and adultery, we will follow

in their footsteps. If our so-called friends ridicule those who have the courage to stand for the right, we will echo their sneer. Others drink and dance, so we will drink and dance.

We have no right as citizens of this nation, to censure the spineless attitude of our politicians when we are just as spineless in our stand for righteousness. Too many of us have loved the praise of men more than the praise of God. And remember that you are not going to be saved just because you may have at some time in a vast audience or seated by your radio, weekly said, "I believe." Paul said in Romans the 10th chapter and the 10th verse "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Our faith is useless unless it is expressed by both word and deed. There is no place in God's plan of salvation for us to hide our faith under a bushel. The saving faith of the Bible is a faith that must be confessed in both word and deed, and it was for that reason that the Apostle Paul said, "With the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

I don't know how thinking men, who are Bible students, can think for one moment that faith alone ever did, or ever will, justify the sinner. James tells us in the second chapter, 14th through the 20th verses, "What doth it profit, my brethren, if a man say he hath faith, but have not works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked and in lack of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Go in peace, be ye warmed and filled; and yet ye give them not the things needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it have not works, is dead in itself. Yea, a man will say, Thou hast faith and I have works: Show me thy faith apart from thy works, and I by my works will show thee my faith. Thou believest that God is one; thou doest well: the demons also believe, and shudder. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith apart from works is barren? James is just saying that you must proclaim your faith by word of mouth and yes, by deed, or else it is useless---dead. My heart bleeds when I think of the men and women who will be lost because in some way they convinced themselves that all that was necessary was for them to believe or give assent of the mind.

Remember, saving faith is a faith of confession in word and action. No matter how great faith within is, or how good morally our lives be, unless we are willing to express vocally and in action the faith of the heart, then that faith is useless and vain. James continued in the 21st verse through the 26th verse, "Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest thou how faith wrought with works, and by works was faith made perfect? And the scripture was ful-

filled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also." It should be simple for us to see from these passages of scripture that one of the very vital things that God commands, in answer to the question, "What must I do to be saved?", is to confess Jesus Christ, the Son of God, in both word and deed.

It is my prayer that there may be those of you in the audience today who will have the courage, and yes, the love for Christ that you will say, "I am not ashamed of Him, and I am going to obey His will." I believe with all my heart that until millions of us, in this, our nation, have that faith and courage to stand for what we believe, we are not going to be able to cure our political corruption. This revival must not begin with somebody else, but it must begin with you.

Now, before we finish this lesson today, I want us to see one more phase of this command of confession. I don't believe that there is a man who can scripturally separate the different actions of conversion and base their salvation on any one of these acts. A man is foolish who thinks that he can take a watch apart and attribute the effectiveness of that machine to one part. You take the watch apart and it ceases to run. When men take God's plan of conversion apart, it ceases to be effective. James says, "Faith without works is dead." We recognize that it is faith in the greatness and goodness of God that leads a man to repent and turn aside from sin. It is the same faith that moves man to proudly proclaim that belief and willingly confess the name of Jesus Christ by being buried in the watery grave of baptism for the remission of their sins. Yes, that is what I said, baptism is part of the confession of our faith, and confession is part of repentance and all of these parts are of our saving faith. Someone has said, "Actions speak louder than words," and though there may be in our hearts a feeling that Christ is the Son of God, and though we have expressed with our lips that faith, unless we confess in deed the fact that Christ is the Son of God, we have failed to obey God's answer to our question, "What must I do to be saved?". Romans the 6th chapter, 1st through the 6th verses, unfolds to us the marvelous facts of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ that we confess in baptism: "Know ye not, that as many of us are baptized into Christ were baptized into death: That like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we were planted

together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin."

We will have more to say about baptism next Lord's Day, but I believe that there are men and women in the audience today who know God's will and who will have the courage to obey Him today. Won't you now at this time resolve that you truly believe in Christ and that you will repent of every sin, and that today you will confess before your fellowmen, both by word and deed that blessed faith? You can proclaim to others, by walking down into the water to be buried with your Lord in baptism for the remission of your sins, that you believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Remember, the confession of our faith is the obedience of the commands of Christ. Christ said, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments." Therefore, the only way that we can confess our faith and our love for Him is by doing His will. Softly and tenderly, Jesus, the Saviour of mankind, is calling for you today!

Buried With Our Lord

June 15, 1952 James W. Nichols

The past few Sundays we have directed our study to the subject of salvation and the elements that go to make up salvation. We have found that the basis of man's part in his salvation is faith. The word faith or belief, encompassed all the separate parts of conversion. It is necessary for us, first of all, to hear the word. Paul said, "Faith cometh of hearing and hearing by the Word of God." Romans 10:17. Then hearing the word we must be convicted from our hearts of our sinfulness, and the greatness and reality of God. With this conviction or faith we must work the commandments of the Lord Jesus Christ. Last Lord's day we discussed the commandments of confession. Today we want to study baptism and its relationship to the washing away of sins.

If we were told that we would receive a reward if we climbed to the top of a ladder, it would be exceedingly foolish for us to climb part of the way, then decide to stop. Yet, many of my religious neighbors do that very thing in religion. We are promised salvation if we obey the commandments of the Lord. Sincere men and women will set about to obey the commandments and succeed in doing part of them, but there they stop to say, "Well, I've done this much and so I'll just stop here; if there is anything else, it is probably unimportant anyway." But, my friends, Paul told Timothy that if one expects to win the crown, as in the Olympic races, he must contend according to the rules. "And if any man strives for masteries, yet he is not crowned unless he strive lawfully." II Timothy 2:5. So having heard the Word or story of Christ and believing in Him we should repent of every sin, confessing the Lord, in word. But let us not stop there, let us as penitent believers be baptized, thereby washing away our sins.

The question arises: "Who should be baptized?" One cannot be scripturally baptized until he has heard the word of God. One would not know to be baptized until the story and gospel of Christ has been told. Baptism is peculiar to Christianity. The Ethiopian Eunuch was leaving the city of Jerusalem in a chariot. As he was going along he read the Old Testament. While the Eunuch was traveling, the spirit of the Lord came to a preacher, Philip, and told him to go down to the road that went to Gaza. This was the road the Eunuch was on. Well, Philip found the Eunuch going along, reading the Word of God. He asked the Eunuch, "Understandest thou what thou readest?" The Eunuch told him that he didn't, and needed a guide. So, here Philip saw an opportunity to preach the gospel. He climbed into the chariot and beginning with that very scripture, found in Isaiah 53:7-8, preached unto him Jesus. The scripture

says, "And as they went on their way they came unto a certain water; and the Eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?" Acts 8:26-40. Where did the Eunuch learn about this baptism and that it was to be administered with water? He didn't learn it from the Old Testament. There's just not a mention of it found there. Baptism is found in no pagan religion. Then he must have heard about it in Philip's sermon on Jesus. He had to hear before he was ready for baptism. Then again we find in the 18th chapter of Acts that, "Many of the Corinthians, hearing believed, and were baptised." Acts 18:8. There is no scriptural reference where anyone was ever baptized without first hearing the gospel story. So, one of the prerequisites of baptism is hearing the gospel.

Yet, from the above passage we see that faith must also precede baptism. Believers were the only ones ever baptized in New Testament times. Get down the Bible and you will find this to be the case every time. Christ said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." Mark 16:15. The people, on the day of Pentecost after the death of Christ, believed that the one they had crucified was truly the Son of God. Then believing that fact they cried out to the apostles, wanting to know what they should do. Peter, answering them, said, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38. Baptism was, and still is, in the sight of God the demonstration of man's faith in Christ and God.

Yet, again Peter told that crowd that though they believed they should repent, and the commandment of repentance preceded the one of baptism. Then repentance is also a prerequisite of baptism.

Therefore, we may conclude that the repentant believer, having heard the Gospel of Christ was, and is, the proper subject for baptism.

In the record of the New Testament there is not one example found of the baptism of an infant. Churches of Christ do not baptize infants, for the subject must hear, believe, and repent. Babies are born pure and free from sin, for Christ said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me; forbid them not, for to such belongeth the kingdom of God." Mark 10:14. If infants could be baptized, and all were baptized, it would be impossible to obey Christ by baptizing believers.

But there then arises the question, "Why should we be baptized?" Well, first of all, we must be baptized for Christ commanded it. I cannot understand why some want to claim that baptism is not important or not essential to salvation. I do not believe that the Holy Spirit wasted one word; I believe that every word put in the Bible was put there because it was needed. Therefore, it is not for

me or any other to say that this is important or that is unimportant. When Christ gave the great commission to His disciples, that commission involved the baptizing of those who believed. The command of baptism is just as strong as the command to preach. Christ said, "Go ye and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matt. 28:19-20. I am sure that there is not one that would deny that we must preach Christ. Well, how can we overlook this commandment of baptism?

Then again, remember that when Peter confessed Jesus as the Son of God, Christ told him, "And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven." Matt. 16:19. So Peter was empowered by the Lord to bind whatever he would. On the day of Pentecost the question was asked what to do to be saved, and Peter said for them to "be baptized for the remission of sins." Acts 2:38. Peter bound that as a condition of salvation, so it is not for anyone else to try to take it away.

Yet, not only is it a commandment, but it also saves us. Peter said it was for the remission of sins. Some of my friends maintain the "for" means because the sins had already been taken away. Turn to Matthew 26:28. There Christ said, "For this is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Does that mean that Christ shed blood on Calvary because the sins of man had already been taken away? Does this mean that Christ lived and died in vain? Most certainly not. It means that He shed his blood that men might obtain remission of sins, and it means that baptism in Acts 2:38 is in order that man might obtain the forgiveness of sins. Then again Peter says in II Pet. 3:21, "Baptism doth now also save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

In every case of conversion in the book of Acts, where the conversions are described, baptism is part of that conversion. You can't separate baptism and Christianity.

Again, baptism puts us in the body of Christ or the Church. Paul says in Galatians 3:27, "for as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." He then says in I Corinthians 12:13, "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body." The body of Christ is the Church. God hath given authority to Christ "and put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be the head of all things to the Church, which is His body." Then we are baptized into the body, which is the Church. Some again would

change the will of the Lord. They say, "Oh, you must be baptized, but it is to get in the Church, and you do not have to be baptized to be saved." But the scripture says that baptism does save us. They make it harder to get in the Church than to get to heaven. If their reasoning were true, even though it cannot be, the church would not be necessary, and since Christ died to establish it, He died in vain. I'm sure we will not believe such doctrine.

Time does not permit us to conclude our study today, but we plan next Lord's day to complete our study of the Bible answer of the question, "What must I do to be saved?" Yet I am persuaded that there are those in the audience today who already know and understand what they must do to be saved. May I ask, why do you wait? You have no lease on life. There may not be a tomorrow, or next week, or even a next time. Won't you, my friend, now resolve to obey the commandments of Christ today? As we together now sing, our prayer is for you.

What Is Scriptural Baptism?

James W. Nichols June 22, 1952

There probably is not another phast of Christianity over which there is much more confusion than that of baptism. Yet, there is no reason for this confusion if we believe in the complete authority of the Bible.

We have seen thus far that baptism is essential, but what is scriptural baptism? Paul says it is a burial, in Romans 6:4, "Therefore we were buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also can walk in newness of life." Again in Colossians 2:12, "Buried with Him in baptism wherein also ye are risen with Him through faith of the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead." But what does it mean to be buried? It means to be under something. The word baptism comes from the Greek word baptize, which meant and only meant to immerse or to dip. The word used in the New Testament never meant to sprinkle or pour, but only to immerse or submerge. The idea or law created by man for sprinkling was introduced by Pope Stephen II of the Catholic Church in 753, over 700 years after Christ had given the commandments and over 600 years after the last Spirit-guided apostle had died. It was not until 1311 in Ravenna that a law was passed by a Catholic council to declare immersion or sprinkling as indifferent. These facts are not of my own making, but may be found in the Edinburg Encyclopedia.

But in what are we to be immersed? It is said in John 3:23, "And John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim because there was much water there." So baptism is of water. Yet again, after the Ethiopian Eunuch had heard the gospel, he knew that baptism was of water, for he said, "See, here is water, what doth hinder me from being baptized? And they both went down into the water, both Philip and the Eunuch, and he baptized him, and they came up out of the water," Acts 8:36. Why do you suppose the Holy Spirit went to so much trouble to emphasize the water and the element of baptism, and that to be baptized you must go down into it? Could it have been because he knew that some would say that baptism did not mean an immersion in water, but a sprinkling or something else? If the Eunuch was only to be sprinkled, why did they both go down into the water? These questions can only be answered by realizing that God meant baptism to be a burial in water.

Before we close, there is one other question that we should consider more completely. Some perhaps still ask, "How can baptism save us?"

The Apostle Peter says, "There is no other name under heaven whereby we must be saved." Nothing but the Lord Jesus Christ; no other name; not any other way can save us from our sins. James Nichols, the preacher, cannot save us; no preacher under heaven can save us. Any man or woman, boy or girl alone cannot save us; but Jesus Christ, by the blood which was shed upon the cross of Calvary, can cleanse us from our sins.

Someone says, "If the Lord cleanses us from our sins, how is it that we are cleansed? How do we come in contact with the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ?" We hear Ananias saying, "Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." Then again we hear the Apostle Paul, having obeyed the commandments, speaking in the sixth chapter of Romans, saying, "Know ye not, that as many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death." There upon the cross of Calvary, Christ suffered shame and pain and humiliation; poured out His blood, that we, though sinners, might have the opportunity unto life everlasting. It was there that the blood was shed; it was in His death that blood was given. So the Apostle Paul says, "We're baptized into his death." There is revealed the whole mystery. We are baptized into His death.

Then, if we are baptized into His death, then through His death do we come into contact with the benefits made possible by the blood of Christ. So it is, by being buried with our Lord in baptism that we literally receive the benefits bought by the blood of the Lamb. Paul says, "We are buried by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection. Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him." Isn't that simple? We are buried in baptism; we come in contact with the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ in His death. So it is that Ananias was able to say to Paul, "Arise and be baptized, washing away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." The Apostle Peter, who, through the Lord, had been given power to speak in the name of Jesus Christ, said, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins." And we hear the Apostle Peter saying in I Peter 3:21, "Baptism doth now also save us." What could it save us from? Why, it could not save us from anything but our past sins; there is nothing to be saved from but our sins which we have committed, and which will keep us from entering the gates of that eternal city. Oh, such a wonderful plan, that the Lord should give,

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Hartford	WHTT	1230	2:30 p.m.	Nebraska, Lincoln	KFOR	1240	10:30 a.m.	Midland	KCRS	550	1:30 p.m.
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Topeka	WREN	1250	1:00 p.m.	Enid	KCRC	1390	1:00 p.m.	Cheyenne	KFBC	710	12:00 p.m.
Wichita	KWBB	1410	3:30 p.m.	McAlester	KTMC	1400	1:00 p.m.	Cody	KODI	1400	12:00 p.m.
Ken., Bowling Green	WKCT	930	1:00 p.m.	Muskogee	KBIX	1490	2:00 p.m.	Rawlins	KRAL	1240	12:00 p.m.
Harlan	WHLN	1230	3:00 p.m.	Oklahoma City	KTOK	1000	9:30 a.m.	Riverton	KWRL	1450	12:00 p.m.
Louisville	WKLO	1080	1:00 p.m.	Tulsa	KRMG	740	2:00 p.m.	Torrington	KGOS	1490	12:00 p.m.
Newport	WNOP	740	2:00 p.m.	Oregon, Eugene	KUGN	590	1:00 p.m.	Worland	KWOR	1490	12:00 p.m.
Louisiana, Baton Rouge	WLCS	910	1:00 p.m.	Klamath Falls	KFLW	1450	4:30 p.m.	Canada, Trail, B.C.	CJAT	610	9:30 a.m.
Monroe	KMLB	1440	2:00 p.m.	Medford	KMED	1440	7:30 a.m.	Toronto, Ont.	CKEY	580	9:15 a.m.

All times are Sunday unless otherwise indicated.

that we might have life, and have it eternally, if we only obey His commandments.

Then baptism is commanded; it saves us, puts us into Christ and therefore into the Church. Most certainly it is essential. Scriptural baptism is only immersion in water. Friends, have you obeyed the gospel? Have you been buried with Christ in baptism? If not, you are without Christ, and to be without Christ is to be without hope. Won't you be buried with Christ in baptism and come up to walk in newness of life? These commandments of the Lord are easy and simple for us to understand; so why don't you obey them? We are praying that you will do that very thing. Hear the voice of Christ as He says, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." How well do you love the One who died for you? Your obedience to these commandments will proclaim your love, and your disobedience will shout your lack of love.

May we pause here and cast a backward look to the things that we have found in the Holy Word of God in our search for the Bible answer to the question, "What must I do to be saved?" I am sure, without question, we can agree that we must study the Word of God in our search for the Bible answer to the question with open minds and humble hearts, and from that study there must come a faith so strong so as to move us to obey all the commands of Christ. That faith must move us to turn from sin in repentance and to have the courage to confess by both word and deed our faith in Christ's life, death, burial, and resurrection, saying that "I believe in Jesus Christ the Son of the Living God," and being covered in the waters of baptism, putting off the old man and becoming a new creature in Christ Jesus. This is what the Bible says you must do. Let us not think for one moment that we may stop here, for we must work with all of our strength and might to continue as Christians to walk in the paths of righteousness. The individual who has believed, repented, confessed, and been baptized has only begun. He is only a babe in Christ Jesus. The man who tries to tell you that the Christian life is easy does not know the meaning of Christianity. But thanks be to God that we have Christ Jesus and the Holy Spirit who will help us and strengthen us in times of weakness that we might overcome.

Every honest man who seeks for forgiveness of his sins and eternal salvation turns to the Bible and asks of God, "What must I do to be saved?" We have tried humbly and diligently with these lessons to study what God would have us to do to be saved. God's word explicitly commands that we hear the gospel, believe it with all of our hearts, repent of every sin, confess the name of Christ by word before our fellow man, and in deed by being buried with Christ in baptism, and then to rise a new creature, living faithfully the Christian life until the end of our last day. It is my

prayer at all times that I might be led in truth, and that if I be wrong, that God will help me to know the truth. I want to do God's will and be saved.

However, the question today to you who are outside of Christ, do you have the humility and the love to surrender yourself to the will of God? If you want to be saved, you must! History relates to us that Julian, the pagan emperor, was stricken in battle, and as he lay dying, he took a handful of his blood and flung it toward the lowering sun, crying with a loud voice, "Oh, Galilean, thou hast conquered." Are there not thousands today in the audience who will say, "Oh, Galilean, thou hast conquered. Thy love, thy power, thy grace have overcome my soul and my life. Thou art victorious." Won't you surrender it all today? And then as you lie down tonight you can sleep the sleep of peace, knowing that you have done that which Christ has demanded, that you might be saved.

"Crossroads of Life"

June 29, 1952 By G. K. Wallace

"By faith, Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to share ill treatment with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; accounting the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt: for he looked unto the recompense of reward. By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible." Thus reads, if correctly read, verses 24, 25, 26 and 27 of Hebrews eleven.

Moses was reared in the home of Pharaoh's daughter and was considered as her son. He was heir to the throne of Egypt and all the wealth of that mighty kingdom. When God called Moses to deliver Israel from Egypt he knew he must make a choice between the "pleasures of sin" and the hardships of Israel. To remain with the Egyptians means a life of ease and luxury. To stand with the Israelites means hardships and suffering. Egypt is a great and mighty nation and Israel is a despised group of slaves. Moses is now at the cross roads of his life. There are two roads he may travel. One road is a road of wealth and fame; the other is a road of bitterness and heartaches. But choose he must. He cannot go both ways.

The place where the roads part is always a revealing place. We cannot go both ways. Many of us today stand at the cross roads of life. We are undecided which way to go. There is the road that leads to life and the road that leads to death. Travel one road we must. No one can stand still. To try to stand perfectly still is to go the downward way. Jesus said, "He that is not with me is against me, and he that gathereth not with me scattereth." (Matt. 12:30)

At the cross roads we see one man undertaking to stand perfectly still. He is trying to be passive or neutral. Another goes down one road and then hesitates and turns back to travel the other. He is afflicted with the fatal malady of indecision. Are we able to decide which way we are to turn? Shall we go to the right or to the left? The decisions we make will determine our destiny.

In every decision there are two elements involved, the negative and the affirmative. There must be a "yes" and a "no." We need in this world men who are not afraid to say "No." We need some full-fledged one hundred percent negatives. We must say "No" to every form of evil and the "no" should not be tinged with one single ounce of "yes."

However, we must not content ourselves with a mere refusal. Christianity has a positive side. We should not

think of Christianity so much in terms of what we are to quit, but what we are to become. No amount of don'ts will make a saint. No amount of negatives will make a Christian. To say no and stop there is to end in moral failure. Saying "No" is not an end in itself. We are asked to say "No" that we might say "Yes" to something higher. We cannot say "Yes" to Christ without saying "No" to sin. We cannot say "No" to the old man without putting to death the "members which are upon the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry...but now do ye also put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, railing, shameful speaking out of your mouth: lie not one to another seeing that you have put off the old man with his doings," Col. 3:5-9. Christ is asking us to say "No" to these things that we might, "Put on therefore, as God's elect, holy and beloved, a heart of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving each other, if any man have a complaint against any; even as the Lord forgave you, so also do ye: and above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfectness." (Col 3:12-14)

Today, we stand at the cross roads and wonder which way to turn. The question facing us is a hard one. We must make a decision. We must say "Yes" or we must say "No." The solution to our problem is to study the example of Moses and make the application to our difficulty. Let us now study the decision of Moses.

In the decision of Moses, we must take into consideration the things he had to give up and the things he received. What did he give up?

First, Moses gave up a high social position. He ceased to be the son of Pharaoh's daughter to be the son of a Hebrew slave. Surely it was not easy for him to turn aside from such honor. Too, he gave up the pleasures of Egypt. Egypt at the time of Moses was the playground of the world. In Egypt could be found every pleasure from the most refined and fastidious to the most bestial and vulgar. Moses had at his command all that appeals to men in love with the world. In spite of this he chose to cast his lot with the despised people of God, as his portion forever, rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin, which, however gratifying to the animal senses, could only be temporary. The wealth of Egypt must also be forsaken. Egypt at that time was the granary of the world. Earthly riches have a strange power over man. Jesus said it is hard for a rich man to be saved. The heart can easily become too much attached to the things of this world. Wealth is often a snare to the soul. Money had no power over Moses.

Not only did he give up the wealth and pleasure of Egypt -- he gave up his home. He had to leave his foster mother. There is no doubt that he loved her. She saved his

life and gave him the finest education the world offered. Surely, it was not easy to disappoint the one who loved and cared for him. Yet a decision had to be made. He now turns his back on all that the world strives for and takes a road that is hard. The road he chooses is a dull, drab road of work. It is a road of agony, suffering and disappointment. It is a road of bitter battles, a road of "blood, sweat and tears."

Since Moses knew that the road he chose to travel was not a road of sunshine and laughter, how did he decide to go that way? This is the point that really interests us. How, too, are we to decide? There are several things that governed Moses in making his choice that will also be of help to us.

He knew that the pleasure of sin was only temporary.

I would not for one moment tell you that sin offers no pleasure. Sin is very charming in the present but finally it is ugly and hideous. Sin in the present is brilliant, rosy, and dazzling. But eventually it will be ghastly and gruesome. Moses knew that the pleasure of sin was transient and ephemeral. Well did Robert Burns say:

Pleasures are like poppies spread,
You seize the flower, its bloom is shed;
Are like the snow-fall in the river,
A moment white then melts forever.
Too, Moses knew values.

We often undergo great agony when we are in suspense between the love of money and the love of Christ. If we place our trust in wealth we enjoy a fictitious rest through a false peace. We have no unequivocal proof that wealth contributes to peace of mind and comfort of soul. Many are miserable while they possess the things of this world. There is every assurance that Christ can bring real joy to the heart of man. We, too, must learn that the real values of life are offered through Christ Jesus our Lord. How many, by their attachment to filthy lucre, have lost the real peace that comes by seeing Him "Who is invisible."

Moses considered the end of the road and not the beginning.

We are not so much concerned about the beginning of the road but we are anxious as to its destination. To where does the road lead? Moses looks for the reward. "He had respect unto the recompense of reward," is the way the Bible expresses it. He looked away from the splendor of Egypt to Canaan's fair and happy land.

We, too, must look away from this world to the land that flows with milk and honey. I do not like to speak of Egypt. There is too much sorrow and sin. I do not like to talk of the road Moses had to travel. There are too many heartaches, so much trouble and so many disappointments. I do like to speak of the promised land. I like to talk about

the home of the soul which Jesus has prepared for those who love him. Regardless of how rough the road, we are ready to travel it, because it leads to rest, sunshine, and the land of pure delight. It leads to a place that is free of sickness, sin and sorrow. The road leads to the abode of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, angels and archangels and the spirits of just men made perfect. This road leads to where our loved ones are and to the very presence of God and Christ Jesus our Lord. Our Heavenly Father will meet us at the end of the way.

"There was a boy traveling through the west and it was a long journey he had over the prairies. He sat in the railway train alone. It was a day when the sun burned down with tremendous heat. It was a day when dust was filling the car and everybody noticed that the boy in his loneliness was happier and more contented than all the rest. He looked out over the sand and seemed to see what no one else saw. Finally a lady walked across the aisle and, leaning down to him said, "My good boy, I have been thinking about you today. Do you not get very tired taking this long journey?" "Well," he said, "I do not think I am very tired. It is hot and it is dusty, It is more than I thought it was going to be, but I am happy. I am happy because father is going to meet me at the end of the journey." To enter the way that leads to heaven we must decide to accept Christ. We cannot meet Him in peace unless we accept Him.

Christ will meet us at the end of the way. The way may be hard and our burdens heavy. We have trials and troubles in this life. Our hearts ache and tears flow freely. But some day Christ will draw us close to his bosom, place His arms lovingly about us and kiss away all tears. "He shall wipe away all tears from our eyes."

Today, we look over Jordan but tomorrow we cross over the river to rest under the shade of the tree.

"On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,

And cast a wishful eye,
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie."

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Central Church of Christ	85.00
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