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*"The Churches of Christ
Salute You"*
WITH A HERALD OF TRUTH



ABC Network Coast to Coast

MONTHLY REPORT

In an average morning's mail, we receive letters from all types of individuals and from many states. As this article was being prepared, a card was made of the mail received on the morning of May 8, and we believe you will be

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As A Matter of Fact

As our monthly report to you goes out, we will try to bring you up to date on the progress made for the cause of Christ through the radio program, the Herald of Truth. We are encouraged each day as we begin to see more and more visible results through this radio ministry.

First, we would like for you to know that support is continuing to come in from all parts of the country. In addition to the amounts pledged from now almost 800 congregations, scores of individual listeners, both members and non-members are sending in unsolicited contributions, some large and some small. For all of these we are deeply grateful and thank God for their interest. Through these increases we have been able to add many stations since going to press last month, and several have been added independently through the efforts of the local congregations.

We list here the cities that have been added to our network since last month. Please check the complete directory on page 20 for the time and frequency.

Fresno, California	Burlington, Vermont
Pensacola, Florida	Montpelier, Vermont
Tallahassee, Florida	Charlottesville, Virginia
Columbus, Georgia	Norfolk, Virginia
Macon, Georgia	Augusta, Georgia
Savannah, Georgia	Evansville, Indiana
Bowling Green, Kentucky	Ashville, N. Carolina
Newport, Kentucky	Lima, Ohio
Laurel, Mississippi	Fayetteville, N. Carolina
Great Falls, Montana	Elizabeth City, N.C.
Charlotte, North Carolina	La Crosse, Wisconsin
Youngstown, Ohio	Parkersburg, W. Virginia
Ada, Oklahoma	Enid, Oklahoma
Medford, Oregon	Lansing, Michigan

In addition to all these stations in the United States we are very happy to inform you that through the support of one family in Trail, CJAT in Trail, B.C., Canada, is now carrying the Herald of Truth. We are still receiving many requests from individuals in parts of the country where we do not have good coverage to add their local station. We are hoping and praying that very soon there will not be an individual in these United States who cannot hear every gospel message broadcast on the Herald of Truth.

In an average morning's mail, we receive letters from all types of individuals and from many states. As this article was being prepared, a count was made of the mail received on the morning of May 8, and we believe you will be

interested in knowing the vast area covered in our correspondence. Mail was received at that time from the following states:

Ohio	Iowa
Illinois	Alabama
Washington	Oklahoma
Oregon	New Mexico
Pennsylvania	Florida
Texas	Wyoming
Kansas	New York
California	Tennessee

These cards and letters cover a wide range of subjects ..Payments on pledges, contributions, questions concerning the church, questions concerning the program, sermon requests, and a host of others. It is impossible to ascertain definitely just what percentage of these are from non-members, but the swing is upward in requests for printed sermons, literature about the church and direct questions concerning vital points of doctrine.

We have received many letters that we know you would like to read, but we would like to quote from a few, some which, we believe, will touch your heart.

From a small town in New Brunswick, Canada, comes this letter. By the gentleman's specific request we do not use his name nor the name of the town.

"Gentlemen: I heard your broadcast over WABI, Bangor, Maine, last Sunday afternoon, and it is just what we need more of in this country. A flood of theological terms is not given to the listening audience whose knowledge of such terms is usually either negligible or non-existent; this is a mistake made by so many religious broadcasters today. You make it plain without deviating from the policy of giving the Word of God pre-eminence throughout the sermon.

I am a young Anglican (Church of England in Canada - Protestant Episcopal in the U.S.A.) Sunday School teacher, and as we are both in the Matchless Master's service, I would like to ask your help in winning precious souls to Him locally.

I would like copies of any recent sermons you may have on hand for my own use, especially the one I heard on the only broadcast I have heard --- "Bringing Christ to the Nation and the Nation to Christ."

In addition, I would like about 50 copies of each sermon you could send me, for regular distribution locally. I shall give your broadcast free promotion as long as it reaches us on this station, such promotion to be given along with the distribution of sermons locally. Do you maintain a

mailing list of this sort?

Anything you could tell me about your denomination's credo would be welcome."

He continues his letter asking more specific questions about the New Testament church, and we believe that with more teaching, that this man can and will be brought to Christ. We have written to the church at Bangor, so far as we know the congregation nearest him, asking that if possible they pay a visit to this man in the near future, although there is a distance of some 80 miles between them. With the grace of God there will someday be a New Testament church worshipping in this little town in Canada.

From an eastern state came a letter that brought tears to the eyes of many of us. The lady who wrote was not a member of the church.

"I am a social worker in the (State) prison and I felt you would like to know that a young man who is confined here, a member of your Church before he got into trouble, somehow found out that there is a program on the air for the churches of Christ. He and a number of other prisoners have been taking a small radio set to the back of the barracks each Sunday afternoon and there listening to your program."

Since receiving her letter, we have corresponded with this young man, and from the nature of his letters, we feel sure that when payment is made for his misdeeds, he will be a strong influence for the Master.

Letters from individuals asking for more information concerning the beliefs and practices of the churches of Christ are very common. In the past two months, we have mailed out hundreds of tracts, mostly on "The One Church," "The Church that Jesus Built," "How to Become A Christian," and "Should the Sabbath be Observed Today." These give a strong indication that the people of the United States are interested in the true Church, and that the Word of God will not return to Him void.

When work was started for the radio program in November of last year, the regular help consisted of one secretary with Brother Nichols. As the months came and went, one man was added in December, two girls in January, and two more in March. During all this time we have filled in with part-time help from the college. Incidentally, every employee who is in any way connected with handling money is bonded.

We are proud of the growth of the Herald of Truth and the cooperation that the sister congregations of Highland have given and are continuing to give. However, we feel that you will rejoice with us in knowing that last month, the elders decided that the work had grown to the extent that one of their number should be in the office at all

times. As a result of this decision, Brother John F. Reese, one of the elders at Highland, was chosen to fill this need. He immediately gave up his business, and is now one of the full-time staff members. His responsibility, in addition to overseeing the workers, is to answer all the scriptural questions that it is possible for him to get to.

Also, during this last month, it was decided to send many of the letters which we receive in which questions of doctrine are contained, to selected ministers of the gospel in surrounding cities. This group consists of brethren E. R. Harper, Highland Church in Abilene; G.K. Wallace, of Wichita, Kansas; Paul Foutz of Sweetwater, Texas; and Reuben Stanley of San Antonio, Texas. These men are well-known in the brotherhood and well-grounded in the truth. They are doing a fine job in answering the queries that come to us.

We want everyone who is in any way interested in the program, and especially everyone who has contributed to it, to understand completely the financial report that appears on page 27. So that you might know exactly where the funds that we receive are being spent, and that the money contributed to the work of the Lord is not being wasted, we have completely itemized this month's financial report. There are several items concerning which we feel you are due an explanation, so we will explain each separate category.

1. The largest, and most important expense is headed "Ross Roy, Inc.," and is, of course, the amount paid to ABC for the month of April. This figure will remain in the budget and we hope will continue to increase as more funds are received and more stations added.

2. "Broadcasting" is the amount paid to independent stations over which the Herald of Truth is heard, who are not affiliated with the network, but have been purchased to reach areas where ABC is either weak or where the affiliated station has refused to carry the program.

3. WMT, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is listed separately since it represented the beginning of the radio work.

4. "Sellers" is our transcription agency in Dallas, Texas, where each broadcast is recorded, and where the tape recordings which are sent to the independent stations are made. Hereafter, this bill will be much less, but this figure represents several months work and we have just last month received their statement. The monthly rate will be around \$500.

5. Our office rent will remain the same. About the middle of February we moved from the offices where work was begun, a building that was unsuitable in almost every way. In addition to being small and unhandy, it was on an upper floor. We are now in a building to ourselves, and while not

elaborate it is very clean, handy to downtown Abilene, spacious, and in a residential area. May we here extend to you an invitation to visit us if you are going through Abilene, at 1435 N. 4th.

6. The next item, "Office Furniture and Fixtures," will eventually be eliminated or at least reduced to a minimum. But during the months of March and April especially, it was necessary for us to make many purchases of equipment. We had no idea at the outset just what would be required in the way of equipment to operate such a program as this and keep it functioning. We began with what rented equipment was available, but soon saw that we must have better and more adequate machinery. The statement for April includes such items as typewriters, an addressograph, an adding machine, dictaphone, and other necessary fixtures. The initial outlay, as it stands now, seems to be fairly adequate, and this expense will not appear hereafter.

7. The bill for office supplies will be a regular item, and includes the supplies necessary to keeping any office functioning properly.

8. Printing will likewise be a regular expense, and includes as well as the printed sermons and bulletin, letterhead (of which we use a surprising amount), envelopes, and promotional material.

9. Salaries, also, will be constant.

10. Stamps, we are sure, need no explanation as thousands of letters go out each month along with the sermons. This figure also includes all postage for bulk mailing of sermons and tracts.

11. While heat and lights are a nominal expense, our telephone bill runs quite high as it is necessary to make many long distance phone calls. Many times per month it is required that we contact the advertising agency in Chicago where a letter would take too long and a telegram would not suffice. This item will vary, but will always be a necessity.

12. Rent on the auditorium was a one-time expense, when the first broadcast was made for February 10th. The statement was long delayed in reaching us or would have been paid in February.

13. Brother Nichols' traveling expenses are paid when it is necessary for him to be away in the interest of the program.

14. Finally, in miscellaneous are lumped incidental expenses which do not fit into any of the listed categories.

If at any time there should arise in your mind a question about any of the phases of this work, we would appreciate your writing. We believe that you should know how

the program is being handled and by whom. Of course, every person who is working with the Herald of Truth and is in the pay of Highland Church, is a faithful member of the church. We look forward to hearing from you, and to meeting you personally should you be passing through Abilene.

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Bringing Christ To The Nation

James W. Nichols

April 6, 1952

Perhaps our lesson today could better be termed, "bringing the Nation to Christ". But before men can be brought to Christ, they must have the love and the power of Christ brought to their hearts and their minds. I believe that if there were ever a time that the power of Christ should be brought to the hearts of men and that men should be brought to the cross of Christ in this nation of ours, it is today! No longer are the scandals of corruption both in high and low places hidden in the back pages of our newspapers, but they blare their stories from the headlines of the front pages. Many have been the explanations and excuses, but the basic reason is that men have lost what trust in God the founding fathers of our nation had.

But do not think for one moment that we can find the cause and cure this illness--and it is a disease of our nation--by treating some of the prominent officials of our nation. The treatment must go much deeper than that, because the disease is much deeper than that! The disease reaches down into the grass-roots of this nation to little people like you and me, who, in our everyday life and dealings with our fellowman have not only left, but forgotten God. You know, and I know, that with the vast majority of people, the only time that the name of God or Christ ever passes their lips is when they use it in vain.

My friends, let me tell you that it is later than you think! The foundations of civilization are being shaken and we need to face the fact that it may be that our children, if not our generation, will be faced with utter destruction of Christian society. If those of us who believe in God and strive to follow His way do not do every thing within our power, we may, by our complacency, be creating a situation in which our children will feel forced by circumstances to repudiate there is a God. But someone may say, "Nichols, you are excited over nothing. Is not religion growing by leaps and bounds?" My friends, I am not concerned with the growth of religion, but I am concerned with the growth of Christianity. This nation needs something more than just a religion. There is a religion of dollars and cents. We can have a religion of power; of vain glorying. But Christianity is the only hope for the preservation of our freedoms and of our civilization.

But there is a far greater tragedy awaiting us, and that is the tragedy of facing God at the judgment without Christ. It is the story of a Christless Hell and a tormenting eternity. The apostle Paul tells us in no uncertain language in II Thess. 1:7-9, "and to you that are af-

flicted rest with us, at the revelation of the Lord Jesus from heaven with the angels of his power in flaming fire, rendering vengeance to them that know not God, and to them that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus: who shall suffer punishment, even eternal destruction from the face of the Lord and from the glory of his might." Then, in view of these facts, there faces us the problem of bringing Christ to the hearts of men, and men being brought to Christ. What is the answer? How must it be accomplished? Christ has the power to transform and change. But He has provided a specific way in which He operates and works in the lives of men. Let us illustrate it this way: Outside of this building there is a power-line surging with thousands of volts of electricity. Inside the building is the equipment that makes possible the broadcasting of this program. But the equipment cannot work without the electricity that surges through the power-line on the outside. We call an electrician or a representative of the power company; we tell him we have to have the electricity, and then he goes about his task of bringing the power into the building to make possible the use of the equipment. The same is true with a life of sin. It can be made into a beautiful life--a life of usefulness, but it takes the power of God and Christ to make it so. These lives made beautiful individually, and then working collectively, are the only means by which this nation of ours, or any nation, can be made a beautiful, glowing light of righteousness. Solomon of old said, "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

The first thing that must be done for men to be brought to Christ is for them to hear. The writer of Hebrews says in Hebrews 11:6, "...without faith it is impossible to be well-pleasing unto him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that seek after him." But the apostle Paul said in Romans 10:17 "so belief cometh of hearing and hearing by the word of Christ." You cannot bring men to Christ or Christ into their hearts until first men hear the word of God. Listen, my friends: when the doctrines of men are preached, the word of God is not heard. Christ said, "In vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrine the precepts of men." We cannot bring Christ to the nation nor the nation to Christ by discussing the philosophies of men and the political picture of the world. We can bring Christ to the nation and the nation to Christ only when the Bible, the word of God, is taught; for first men must hear! When men hear the gospel and believe the gospel and obey the gospel they will be in Christ and Christ will be in them. But that faith which cometh by hearing the word of God and which is necessary for men to come to God or Christ, is something more than just an assent of the mind. Christ

said, "Not everyone that sayeth unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my father who is in heaven." James likewise being inspired said, "For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, even so faith apart from works is dead", James 2:26. That is easy for us to see and understand. The saving faith of the Bible is a faith in Christ and in God. I believed that there was an Adolph Hitler. I never saw him, but I believe that he existed. But never did I believe in him, I believe that there is a Joseph Stalin, but I do not believe in him. I do not believe that there is a man or woman in the audience today who would not agree that the faith of the Bible means more than the faith which I had concerning Hitler or Stalin. And we cannot bring Christ to the nation or the nation to Christ until men have faith in Christ. Let us go one step further. It is impossible for a man to believe in Christ and not follow Christ in obedience. It is impossible for man to believe in Christ and not love Him. Neither can you love Him without obeying Him, for Christ said in John 14:23, "If a man love me, he will keep my word." Well, that all goes back to what James and Christ said, "Not everyone that sayeth unto me, Lord, Lord, and, "Faith without works is dead." This faith of the Bible will move men to action. It requires that men turn from sin, or, if you please, repent. In the days of Christ, He cried to the masses who had left God; "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." And Paul in the 17th chapter of Acts said that "God commandeth all men everywhere to repent." We have to turn from our corruption and sin and immorality. I am sure you do not think for a moment that a man could have Christ and Christ have him when he refuses to cease the practices of sin. And so, step number 3 for bringing Christ to the nation and the nation to Christ is for a man to repent. But that faith also demands that it be expressed both in word and in deed. It demands the throwing off of fear and all pride and confessing before men that we believe in Jesus as Christ the Son of the living God. Christ said in Matt. 10:32-33, "Everyone therefore who shall confess men before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven." The man who thinks he believes in Christ and will not confess Him before men is a man who has never been brought to Christ, nor is willing for Christ to come into his life.

But, not only must that faith be expressed in word, but it also must be expressed in deed. By being buried in the watery grave of baptism for the remission of our sins, we confess that we believe Christ died, was buried, and was raised from the dead that you and I might live. Romans 6th chapter, 1st to 6th verses, unfolds to us the marvelous

picture of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ that we portray by our confession of faith in baptism. "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we are 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 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."

But there is one more phase that we can see of this in bringing Christ to the nation and the nation to Christ through baptism. The apostle Paul says in Gal. 3:27, "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ." Then for us to put on Christ, we must be baptized, and before Christ abides in us we must abide in Him. Christ said in John 15:5, "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit; for apart from me ye can do nothing." Then the baptized penitent believer has put on Christ, and certainly we can with assurance say that when man has put on Christ, Christ has been brought to him. The only way that Christ can be brought to the nation and the nation brought to Christ is for thousands and millions of us to rise up and say, "Lord, I will obey Thy commandments. I have heard Thy word, I believe in it, and Thy power. I want to repent, confess thy name, and be baptized that Christ might abide in me and I in Him. Then, continuing to live faithfully and to worship God acceptable in His sight according to His word. There are those of you in the audience today who can have a part in this great movement to bring Christ to the nation and the nation to Christ by obeying Him and abiding in Him and letting Him abide in you. It is our prayer that at this hour of decision, your decision will be this day to obey Him.

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Youth For Christ

By James W. Nichols

April 13, 1952

The youth of today is the leader of tomorrow. The Youth for Christ today will be a leader for Christ tomorrow. The problem of juvenile delinquency has aroused not only the law enforcing agencies of our nation, but has finally aroused the people of the nation as a whole. Finally, men are realizing that if our youth runs wild that our civilization will run wild. Educators today have characterized the modern youth as a child with lack of ambition and lackadaisical attitude. The youth is not concerned about the affairs of the world, the affairs of home, or the affairs of the Church. He lives for today and forgets about tomorrow hoping that he will not reap what he sows. Some have described him as the proverbial ostrich, who sticks his head in the sand, hoping that the realities of the world will some way vanish.

Not only is the nation as a whole disturbed by the attitude of modern youth, but the home is also disturbed. Many have been the sleepless nights of thousands and millions of parents, and many a tear has found its way down the cheek of Mother and Father because of the irreverence of son and daughter.

The religious groups of the nation are disturbed about it. The problem of how to get the youth to come to services has troubled many religious leaders. For a while they were disturbed because they could not get the youth to take part, but now they are disturbed because they do not even appear.

Last Sunday we discussed the problem of bringing Christ to the nation and in this series of lessons we want to grapple with the actual problems of life! -- how to bring Christ to the nation, how to turn the youth for Christ and how to bring the people back to God. Today we want to deal with the specific problem of turning youth to Christ.

There is no room for us to deal in abstract thoughts and ideas. That is where true Christianity stands head and shoulders above man made religion. Christ dealt with realities, whereas man talks about possibilities and abstract situations. You know what the word abstract means. Someone says that it is the language of the man who does not know where he has been or where he is going. To much of the religion of the nation is that way. Instead of the preachers telling what the Bible teaches they must do, there has been too much of "you might do this -- you might do that", or it really does not make any difference what you do. "My friends, we are in a national crisis. In fact, every one of us are in a personal crisis. Every decision that young or old makes will have some bearing on where they will

spend eternity. Christ said in Matt. 16:27, "For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then shall He render unto every man according to his deeds." The apostle Paul also said in Romans 2:7 in describing God, "who will render to every man according to his works."

Now then the problem, how shall we turn the youth to Christ? It is my firm conviction that the youth of this nation or any nation does not desire to be treated in any special way. Too long have we tried to coddle the youth, as far as religion is concerned, and make him think that he needs a different presentation from that of his elders. We have tried to turn the youth to Christ by bargaining with him. The bargain goes something like this: "If you will be willing to sit through a religious service, we will repay you with some entertainment or recreation. We will build recreation centers or special youth Churches. We will prepare special lessons just so long as you are willing to endure a religious service." I know what I am talking about! I see it from the standpoint of the youth. Too many times has Christianity been lowered and bargained over as if it were an inferior product.

All of this is very hard to understand. We live in a nation where the youth in everyday life grows up to realize he has to face the same responsibilities and realities of life that his elders do. The 18 year old youth has fought side by side with the 30 and 40 and 50 year old man. He experiences the same problems and disturbances, disappointments, and maybe even more so, than older men and woman. We are living in a country where it is no longer an exception, but is becoming more so a rule for the young men and women to be fathers and mothers by the time that they are 20. Our educational system has been designed to train them for life in everything but Christianity. But there they have been petted and pampered with special programs and socials. Their answer is, "What is there in religion that we cannot find in some other organization?"

All of these methods have not been the answer of turning the youth to Christ. Well, what is the answer? I believe that Christ gives us the answer in these words in John the 12th chapter and 32nd verse, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself." Christ will draw them unto Himself if He be lifted up! The apostle Paul realized the power of Christ and His ability to draw men, for in writing the first letter to the Church at Corinth, the 2nd chapter, he said, "And I, brethren, when I came unto you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming unto you the testimony of God, for I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified." Why, Paul? He says, "that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." I am

convinced that we can turn the youth of the nation, to Christ in the same way that we can bring Christ to the nation, and the nation to Christ, and that is by preaching the pure and simple gospel of our Lord. Let us forget about a gospel for the youth! Let us treat them like men and women, preaching the gospel story in its purity and in its simplicity, and it will lift them up for Christ. Can you tell me why the incidents of kindness and mercys of Christ would not touch and tender the hearts of youth just the same as it would touch and tender the hearts of the aged? If we will but preach it to them, the story of the Good Samaritan can be as popular among the youth as it is among their grandparents. Let us forget about waiting until they are adults to teach them to "Love thy neighbor as thyself", and "Do unto others as you would have them to do unto you". I am thankful unto God that I had early training in His word. Before I had gone to school, my grandmother had read the New Testament through to me three times. I do not believe I appreciate it any less because I was taught it early. I obeyed the gospel when I was ten. I believe I understood what I was doing because I had been taught the word of God. I knew that the word of God said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved," and "he that believeth not shall be condemned."

The only way that the youth can be turned to Christ is for Christ to be preached to them, and when you preach the Christ to them, there is no room for the theories and philosophies and the doctrines of men. It means that we must speak only where we have authority from Christ or from His inspired apostles to speak. And woe unto the man who speaks either to youth or the aged other than that which is set forth in the word of God! The apostle Paul says in Gal. 1:7 8 "though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach unto you any other gospel than that which we preached unto you let him be accursed." Then when Christ and His word is preached, I am convinced that youth will obey Him, and then we can look for strong leaders of tomorrow, founded on a sure foundation, for Christ himself said in Matt. 7: 24-27, "Every one therefore that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them, shall be likened unto a wise man, who built his house upon the rock: and the rain descended and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not; for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and smote upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall thereof."

"Well," someone asks, "what will you preach when you preach Christ and Him crucified?" First, you will preach that Jesus Christ the Son of the living God, was born of

the virgin Mary, for the angel spoke in Matt. 1:21-23 to Joseph, his Father, "and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for it is he that shall save his people from their sins. Now all this is come to pass, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, behold the virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel." It means that you must preach faith in Him, for Christ Himself said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." It means that you will preach repentance of sin for Christ said, "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Furthermore, it means that you will preach confession of one's faith in Him, for Christ said, "Every one therefore who shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in Heaven." It means that you will preach baptism in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit for the remission of sins, for in Matt. 28:19 Christ said, "Go ye there fore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." And the inspired Apostle Peter on the Day of Pentecost after having preached Christ crucified, raised, and crowned king, was asked, "men and brethren, what shall we do?" The answer was, "Repent ye, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins."

It means that you will preach Christ as the only authority in religion for he said in Matt. 28:18, "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth." Since all authority is vested in Christ and he is the "head over all things to the church, which is His body" as Paul said in Eph. 1:22-23, there is no place for any man's word as authority in religion. That is why churches of Christ do not have manuals, disciplines, articles of faith, or any other guide than the Bible, the word of God. It means that we will preach that once one becomes a Christian he must continue faithful in worship and service unto God untill death shall squeeze out the last breath of life of this body, for it is recorded of Christ saying in Rev. 2:7, "To him that overcometh, to him will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God." and again in the 10th verse, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life." This is what we must preach to turn the youth to Christ, and when men realize that we must go back to God and to His word and to His Son, our Saviour, then and only then can we have the nation both young and old for Christ. Therefore, if we really are concerned about the welfare of our youth, let us do every thing in our power to first obey these commandments of Christ, and then by both word and deed show forth our Saviour to the youth, to the middle aged, and to the aged.

There are those of you in the audience today who have never had the courage to step out and stand for Christ by obeying his word. There could not be a better day than today! Christ stands waiting ready to receive you if you will only come to Him in simple faith, repent of every sin, confess His name, and be buried with Him in Baptism. Why do you not do this today? It is my fervent prayer that there will be thousands and tens of thousands, whether young or old, who will take a stand for Christ. It is also my prayer that those of you who have obeyed the gospel in its fundamental commandments, but have gone astray, will come back today, repent of every sin, confess your wrong, and pray that God will forgive you. The only hope for the salvation of youth and all men is in their obedience to the Christ. For the Apostle Paul said in Heb. 5:9, "and having been made perfect, he became unto all them that obey him the author of eternal salvation."

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"Back To God"

By JAMES W. NICHOLS

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Last month while on a trip through the northern central part of the United States I had occasion to visit the headquarters of the American Legion in Indianapolis. At that particular time, the State Chaplains of the American Legion were in a conference mapping out plans for a nation-wide campaign "Back to God." I had the privilege of sitting in on these conferences, and as I heard various resolutions passed, designed to move the minds of the people of America back to their Maker, I thought, "How noble for such an organization as the American Legion to devote time, money and energy for a movement back to God, but how unfortunate that this movement had to be brought to national attention, not by religious groups, but by a secular organization.

I believe that such meetings are indicative of the failure of modern-day religions that have left God, refused His authority, and in many cases forgotten Him. Too long have religious groups ignored the real strength of civilization, so clearly set forth by National Commander Donald R. Wilson when he wrote, "Need for a spiritual reawakening of our people was never more clearly manifest than now with the world engaged in a struggle between those who believe in God and freedom, and those who believe in Godlessness and slavery. In recognition of the supremacy of God lies the security of our nation and the peace of mind of its people." The Miami, Florida Herald was also moved to editorialize by these words, "Never in our country's history has there been a greater need for public acknowledgment of Deity and confidence in Divine guidance." Back to God we must go if we are to save our civilization, and above all, back to God we must go if we are to save our souls.

We are fighting a battle today that cannot be won alone by laws, police forces, nor armies. We are fighting attitudes and ideas. As Communism sweeps the world with its deadly fingers, as political corruption rocks the nation, and as youthful addiction to narcotics shocks our homes, the very foundations of Christianity are also being touched by division and strife and digression from God's Word. Let me tell you, my friends, that Communism will not be destroyed merely by armies. Political corruption will not be wiped out just by enacting laws. The ever-spreading use of narcotics by youth of the nation will not be stopped by adding officers to our police forces, nor will the diseases of division and strife and digression from God's Word be cured by unions and federations and other organizations. These things are diseases of character and must be dealt with by

power greater than the power of man. New Testament Christianity stands as the only solid bulward against Communism, political corruption, dope addiction, division, strife, and digression.

Don't misunderstand me! I don't think for a moment that these sins are the only sins of our nation or of our world. I could consume our entire time today by just naming the sins of our nation. But I say that the only hope for combating these is by turning people back to their Creator and to Christ the Saviour.

But a movement back to God to be successful must be something more than just talk! It must be something more than resolutions of a general nature. A real movement back to God demands that we know God's plan, that we believe in its power, and that we use it with all our strength and our might. "It lieth not within man to direct his own steps" back to God, but it must be God who guides. We need to realize that Satan and God are engaged in a death struggle over your soul and mine, and if God's Word does not direct us, then it is the power of Satan that lights our path. When men have tried to guide their own steps, they have become as the Pharisees that Christ spoke of in Matthew 15:14,.... "they are blind guides. And if the blind guide the blind, both shall fall into a pit."

But someone says, "What is God's way back to Him?" Christ, His Son, said in John the 6th chapter beginning with the 44th verse and continuing through the 45th, "No man can come to me, except the Father that sent me draw him: And I will raise him up in the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall all be taught of God. Every one that hath heard from the Father, and hath learned, cometh unto me." There are three things found here that are prerequisites of a man's going to God. Number 1: They must be taught of God. Number 2: They must hear the teaching. Number 3: They must learn that which is taught. Notice that Christ says, "No man." That places the responsibility squarely upon the shoulders of each individual. Don't think that you can delegate your responsibility of hearing and learning the teaching of God. You cannot pay a preacher or minister or pastor to do your learning and your hearing. Oh, so often when we try to study the word of God, men and women pass it up by saying, "I do not worry about these things. I leave this up to my pastor. He is educated, and whatever he accepts, then I know it must be true." But Christ says, "No man can come to me, except the Father that sent me draw him." And Christ shows what that drawing is. It is not some miraculous feeling that hits us in a moment of hysteria, but the drawing is by the hearing and learning the teaching of God. That is why churches of Christ do not believe in the doctrine of praying through to God for His salvation, nor praying for religion to be sent in some mir-

aculous form. Then, what this nation needs, and what you need in going back to God is to hear His word and learn it for yourself. Luke in writing the book of Acts gave special tribute to the people of Berea when he said in the 17th chapter, "Now these were more noble than those in Thessalonica in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, examining the scriptures daily, whether these things were so." We cannot know how to go back to God's will if we do not know it.

But it is not enough to merely hear and learn the teaching of God, for Christ said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven," Matthew 7:21. Then the final step of this coming to God is actually performing or carrying out of the words or the will of God that we have heard and learned from the word of God. "Well," someone asks, "what are these things that we must do in coming to God?" I want to emphasize once again that these commands of God are for each individual. They are not things that can be accomplished by passing of resolutions or laws, or by enforcing the existing laws, but they are things that you and I must obey, and the only way that we can come back to God is for you and me and all the millions of others to hear and obey God's will.

First of all, I am sure there is not a person in the audience today who would not readily admit that God's first requirement of man is that he believe on Him and in His Son. The writer of Hebrews says in Hebrews 11:6, "and without faith it is impossible to be well-pleasing unto Him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that He is a rewarder of them that seek after Him." Nor do I doubt that all would accept the fact that we must turn aside from sin, which is repentance. That is all repentance is! It is a turning aside from sin, having been motivated by Godly sorrow. And Paul says in Acts the 17th chapter that God "commandeth men that they should all everywhere repent" and that doesn't exclude you or me or anyone else. Then is there any who would have the courage to stand up and say that God does not expect us to confess Christ as the Son of the Living God? There were those in the time of Christ who failed in their seeking for God because, though they believed in Christ, they would not confess Him for fear of the people. John says, in the 12th chapter and 42nd and 43rd verses, "Nevertheless even of the rulers many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess it, lest they be put out of the synagogue: for they loved the glory that is of men more than the glory that is of God."

But the man who teaches that once a person has heard, believed, repented and confessed the name of Christ is then relieved of his sins is a man who has never fully learned the will of God. For one of the very vital parts of the

great commission given by Christ was that men should be taught and then baptized for he said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit," Matthew 28:19. On the day of Pentecost when the men who crucified Christ were cut to the heart and cried, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?", in reply, Peter answered, "Repent ye 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." We can find no case of conversion in the New Testament that does not involve the person being buried with his Lord in baptism as Paul speaks of in Romans the 6th chapter, to be raised to walk in newness of life.

This is God's way to Him; but it is a continual working to stay by His side, for Peter wrote in his second epistle, 1st chapter, the 5th through the 11th verses, "Yea, and for this very cause adding on your part all diligence, in your faith supply virtue; and in your virtue knowledge; and in your knowledge self-control; and in your self-control patience; and in your patience godliness; and in your godliness brotherly kindness; and in your brotherly kindness love. For if these things are yours and abound, they make you to be not idle nor unfruitful into the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he that lacketh these things is blind, seeing only what is near, having forgotten the cleansing from his old sins. Wherefore, brethren, give the more diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never stumble: for thus shall be richly supplied unto you the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ." The adding of these Christian graces is just as vital as the initial turning away from sin. The Christian life is not an easy life. It is a life of sacrifice - sacrifice of personal desires, sacrifice of time and of money. But thanks unto God we have Jesus Christ who will help us and strengthen us, who will be with us always and will be our advocate. John said, in I John 2:1-2, "My little children, these things write I unto you that ye may not sin. And if any sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: and he is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the whole world."

This is God's plan! This is God's way! And it is my prayer that thousands and millions of you this day will turn back unto God, to His word, and to His way, and rise up and say, "This day will I obey Him. This day will I lift high His royal banner. This day will I go forth to battle against the forces of sin and wickedness!" Won't you do that today? Our prayer is that you will, and that your cry henceforth will be for Christ, the way back to God!

Alabama, Anniston	WHMA	1450	1:00 p.m.
Auburn	WAUD	1230	1:00 p.m.
Birmingham	WSGN	610	10:30 p.m.
Florence	WJOI	1340	9:30 a.m.
Gadsden	WGAD	1350	1:00 p.m.
Huntsville	WHBS	1490	1:00 p.m.
Mobile	WABB	1480	6:30 a.m.
Montgomery	WAPX	1600	1:00 p.m.
Tuscaloosa	WJRD	1150	9:30 p.m.
Arizona, Phoenix	KPHO	1230	11:00 p.m.
Tucson	KCNA	1340	3:00 p.m.
Arkansas, Eldorado	KSDM	1290	1:00 p.m.
Ft. Smith	KFSA	950	1:00 p.m.
Hot Springs	KTHS	1090	1:00 p.m.
Little Rock	KGHI	1250	1:00 p.m.
Springdale	KBRB	1340	6:00 p.m.
Calif., Bakersfield	KPMC	1560	10:00 a.m.
Eureka	KIEM	1480	7:15 a.m.
Fresno	KARM	1430	3:30 p.m.
Los Angeles	KECA	790	3:30 p.m.
San Francisco	KGO	810	3:30 p.m.
San Luis Obispo	KATY	1340	3:30 p.m.
Colorado, Craig	KRAI	1230	5:30 p.m.
Denver	KVOD	630	5:00 p.m.
Conn., Bridgeport	WNAB	1450	2:00 p.m.
Hartford	WHTT	1230	2:30 p.m.
Delaware, Wilmington	WILM	1450	2:00 p.m.
Florida, Jacksonville	WPDQ	600	8:30 a.m.
Miami	WQAM	560	1:00 p.m.
Penacola	WEAR	1230	11:30 p.m.
Tallahassee	WTNT	1450	5:00 p.m.
Tampa, St. Pete	WSUN	620	1:00 p.m.
Georgia, Augusta	WGAC	580	2:00 p.m.
Brunswick	WGIG	1440	1:00 p.m.
Columbus	WGBA	1460	7:30 a.m.
Macon	WBML	1240	1:00 p.m.
Rome	WLAQ	670	1:00 p.m.
Savannah	WDAR	1400	1:00 p.m.
Valdosta	WGAF	910	1:30 p.m.
Idaho, Boise	KGEM	1140	3:00 p.m.
Pocatello	KEOI	1440	9:30 a.m.
Illinois, Chicago	WENR-WLS	890	2:30 p.m.
Quincy	WGEM	1440	8:00 a.m.
Indiana, Bloomington	WTTS	1370	1:00 p.m.
Evansville	WJPS	1330	1:30 p.m.
Ft. Wayne	WGL	1250	1:00 p.m.
Iowa, Cedar Rapids	WMT	600	7:30 a.m.
Des Moines	KSO	1460	1:00 p.m.
Sioux City	KSCJ	1360	10:30 p.m.
Waterloo	KXEL	1540	5:30 p.m.
Kansas, Coffeyville	KGGF	690	2:00 p.m.
Topeka	WREN	1250	1:00 p.m.
Ken., Bowling Green	WKCT	930	1:00 p.m.
Harlan	WHLN	1230	3:00 p.m.
Louisville	WKLO	1080	1:00 p.m.
Newport	WNOP	740	2:00 p.m.
Louisiana, Baton Rouge	WLCS	910	1:00 p.m.
Monroe	KMLB	1440	2:00 p.m.
New Orleans	WDSU	1280	1:00 p.m.
Shreveport	KRMD	1340	1:00 p.m.

Maine, Bangor	WABI	910	1:30 p.m.
Portland	WPOR	1450	9:00 a.m.
Maryland, Baltimore	WFBR	1300	3:00 p.m.
Cumberland	WDYK	1230	8:00 a.m.
Mass., Lawrence	WLAW	680	1:00 p.m.
Springfield	WSPR	1270	5:00 p.m.
Worcester	WAAB	1440	3:00 p.m.
Michigan, Battle Creek	WELL	1400	1:00 p.m.
Detroit	WXYZ	1270	1:00 p.m.
Flint	WFDE	910	10:00 p.m.
Lansing	WILS	1320	1:00 p.m.
Ludington	WKLA	1450	1:00 p.m.
Muskegon	WKBZ	850	2:00 p.m.
Minn., Minn.-St. Paul	WTCN	1280	7:30 a.m.
Miss., Aberdeen	WNPA	1240	3:00 p.m.
Centerville	WGLO	1580	8:00 a.m.
Columbus	WCBI	1340	6:00 p.m.
Jackson	WSLI	930	2:00 p.m.
Laurel	WLAV	1490	1:00 p.m.
Missouri, Kansas City	KCMO	810	12:30 p.m.
Rolla	KTTR	1490	8:45 a.m.
St. Louis	KXOK	630	9:15 p.m.
Springfield	KWTO	560	1:00 p.m.
Montana, Butte	KOPR	580	11:00 p.m.
Great Falls	KMON	560	7:30 a.m.
Nebraska, Lincoln	KFOR	1240	10:30 a.m.
Omaha	KOIL	1290	5:30 p.m.
N. Hamp., Manchester	WMUR	610	5:00 p.m.
N. Mexico, Albuquerque	KOAT	1450	3:00 p.m.
Clovis	KCLV	1240	1:00 p.m.
Los Alamos	KRSN	1490	3:00 p.m.
Santa Fe	KTRC	1400	3:00 p.m.
New York, Albany	WXKW	850	2:00 p.m.
New York	WJZ	770	12:30 p.m.
Olean	WHOL	1450	1:00 p.m.
Rochester	WARC	950	3:00 p.m.
Saranac Lake	WEAV	960	2:00 p.m.
Syracuse	WAGE	620	12:00 n.
N. Carolina, Asheville	WLDS	1380	1:00 p.m.
Charlotte	WAYS	610	1:00 p.m.
Durham	WTIK	1310	2:00 p.m.
Fayetteville(Sat.)	WFLB	1490	1:00 p.m.
Salisbury	WSAT	1280	1:00 p.m.
Winston-Salem	WAIR	1340	1:30 p.m.
N. Dakota, Fargo	KFGO	790	7:00 a.m.
Ohio, Cleveland	WJW	850	1:00 p.m.
Columbus	WCOL	1230	9:30 a.m.
Lima	WIMA	1150	9:00 a.m.
Youngstown	WBBW	1240	8:30 a.m.
Oklahoma, Ada	KADA	1230	1:00 p.m.
Enid	KCRC	1390	1:00 p.m.
McAlester	KTMC	1400	1:00 p.m.
Muskogee	KBIX	1490	2:00 p.m.
Oklahoma City	KTOK	1000	9:30 a.m.
Tulsa	KRMG	740	2:00 p.m.
Oregon, Eugene	KUGN	590	check sta.
Klamath Falls	KFLW	1450	4:30 p.m.
Medford	KMED	1440	7:30 a.m.
Portland	KEX	1190	3:30 p.m.
Penn., Johnstown	WCRO	1230	7:00 p.m.

Philadelphia	WFIL	560	2:00 p.m.
Pittsburg	WCAE	1250	3:00 p.m.
Wilkes Barre	WILK	970	8:00 p.m.
R. Island, Providence	WPJB	1420	1:00 p.m.
S. Carolina, Florence	WJMX	970	10:30 a.m.
S. Dakota, Aberdeen	KSDN	930	10:30 a.m.
Jackson	WTJS	1390	1:00 p.m.
Tenn., Chattanooga	WDEF	1370	1:00 p.m.
Johnson City	WJHL	910	11:30 p.m.
Knoxville	WBIR	1240	1:30 p.m.
Memphis	WMPS	680	9:00 p.m.
Nashville	WSIX	980	4:00 p.m.
Texas, Abilene	KRBC	1470	1:00 p.m.
Amarillo	KFDA	1440	1:30 p.m.
Austin	KNOW	1490	2:00 p.m.
Beaumont	KFDM	560	1:00 p.m.
Big Spring	KBST	1490	1:00 p.m.
Brownfield	KTFY	1050	4:30 p.m.
Brownsville	KVAL	1490	1:00 p.m.
Corpus Christi	KEYS	1440	9:00 a.m.
El Paso	KEPO	690	3:00 p.m.
Ft. Worth	WBAP	570	1:00 p.m.
Graham	KSWA	1330	4:30 p.m.
Houston	KXYZ	1320	8:00 a.m.
Longview	KFRO	1370	1:00 p.m.
Lubbock	KFYD	1340	4:00 p.m.
Midland	KCRS	550	1:30 p.m.
Paris	KPLT	1490	9:00 p.m.
San Angelo	KGKL	960	1:00 p.m.
San Antonio	KMAC	630	9:00 p.m.
Texarkana	KCMC	1230	1:00 p.m.
Wichita Falls	KFDX	990	2:00 p.m.
Utah, Provo	KCSU	1490	3:00 p.m.
Salt Lake City	KUTA	570	7:30 a.m.
Vermont, Burlington	WJOY	1230	1:00 p.m.
Montpelier-Barre	WSKI	1240	1:00 p.m.
Virginia, Charlottesville	WINA	1280	9:15 a.m.
Norfolk	WGH	1310	5:00 p.m.
Richmond	WRNL	910	1:30 p.m.
Washington, Aberdeen	KBKW	1450	10:00 p.m.
Pasco	WPKW	1340	3:30 p.m.
Seattle	KJR	950	3:30 p.m.
Spokane	KGA	1510	3:30 p.m.
Washington, D. C.	WMAL	630	1:00 p.m.
W. Virginia, Beckley	WVNR	620	1:30 p.m.
Parkersburg	WCOM	1230	Sat.
Wheeling	WKWK	1400	1:00 p.m.
Wisconsin, LaCrosse	WKTY	580	4:00 p.m.
Madison	WIBA	1320	8:00 p.m.
Neenah	WNAM	1280	8:00 a.m.
Wyoming, Casper	KSPR	1470	9:15 p.m.
Cheyenne	KFBC	710	12:00 p.m.
Cody	KODI	1400	12:00 p.m.
Rawlins	KRAL	1240	12:00 p.m.
Riverton	KWRL	1450	12:00 p.m.
Torrington	KGOS	1490	12:00 p.m.
Worland	KWOR	1490	12:00 p.m.
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Back To God In Conversion

By JAMES W. NICHOLS

APRIL 27, 1952

The history of man kind has been a continuous turning away from God. I care not what it be. Every evil or destructive thing is a result of man's leaving God. Many of you have stood by the covered grave of some loved one who has given his life on some battlefield. Perhaps you have lifted your eyes and have seen the acres of white crosses that fill your heart with an aching. You can put it down that they are monuments to the fact that man left God. Every few years as man drifts into a lower ebb of morality some are awakened to a need to return to God, and their struggles go down in history, but someday some struggle will be the last struggle and it may be yours and mine. Therefore, it behooves us to use all of our strength and every resource in calling the people back to God.

But do you know why the majority of the movements back to God have failed? Everbody agrees that we need to return to God. Ask any man on the street if he thinks we should return to God and his answer will be "Yes". Yet the majority of the people do not know fully what the going back to God involves. This is one of the basic reasons that men have failed. It involves something more than just trying to refrain from sin. It involves going back to God's order of conversion and God's pattern for living and God's order of worship. Last Lord's Day we talked about going back to God, but today I want us to talk specifically of going back to God in conversion.

If we were privileged today to visit all of the many religious denominations in existence, we would no doubt find as many different plans of conversion as we would different denominations. The question arises, "Is this God's plan? Is there no divinely prescribed way of conversion set forth in the scriptures? And is conversion merely an attitude of mind or is it action motivated by an attitude of mind?" If we can answer these questions, we can clear the way for returning to God in conversion.

I am sure that we all understand that conversion means a change, a different heart, a different life, a different hope, and a different goal. Therefore, our first consideration is, are there many ways by which man can be cleansed from sin or his life changed. What is the God prescribed way?

The very purpose of Christ's coming was to seek and save that which is lost. The angel speaking to Joseph in Matt. 1 said, "He shall save his people from their sins". The last words spoken by Christ on the cross were, "It is finished". Therefore, from the birth of Christ to his

death on the Cross the task he had set forth to accomplish was completed. The words spoken, the acts performed, and the plan set forth are necessary to the conversion or the saving of sinful man and before Christ ascended into heaven he gave this great commission, "Go ye and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Matt. 28: 19) Therefore, these apostles had received a promise that the Spirit would come to guide them and were given the responsibility of preaching and performing the task Christ lived and died for.

Again the question arises, "Was there a definite plan or spoken commands to be given by these apostles in converting men?" Evidently there was, for in Gal. 1:7,8, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach unto you any gospel other than that which we preached unto you, let him be anathema". Christ was quoted as saying in the last chapter of Revelation, 18-19, "I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, if any man shall add unto them, God shall add unto him the plagues which are written in this book: and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." Therefore, if we are to preach a doctrine today that is to convert or save men and women it must be that very same gospel preached by Christ and the apostles. Let it be our task today to search diligently the scriptures to know how the men were converted in the time of Christ and then let us arise and sound forth those words of salvation, let us go back to God in conversion. The first requirement of men in conversion is that of faith. The writer of Hebrews 11:6 tells us that it is impossible to come to God without faith, but this faith does not come by some miraculous form nor does it come because of fervent prayers offered to God. The apostle Paul tells us in Romans 10:13 - 14, "for whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher", and again in the 17th verse, "So belief cometh of hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Therefore, faith is a result of hearing and learning the teachings of God.

When Christ gave the great commission the first requirement for man to be converted was that he be taught. He said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" or as the American Standard Version says, "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations." Then if we are to go back to God in conversion, we must first

teach the word of God and instill faith in the hearts of them that would come to God. This is why the church of Christ does not believe that babes are subject unto any acts of obedience to the gospel.

But according to the word of God it is not enough to merely believe, for Christ says, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord shall enter into the kingdom of heaven but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven," Matt. 7:21. James wrote in James 2:26, "For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, even so faith apart from works is dead." Faith is useless until it moves the one who would come to God into action.

We studied last week of those in the time of Christ who believed but would not confess him because they feared the people. Surely these were not justified and it is for this reason that we do not ask that you kneel by the radio and pray that you be saved nor merely to hold up your hand and accept Christ as your personal Savior and be saved by faith alone. The only time that the statement, 'faith only' is found in the Bible is in James 2:24, "Ye see that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only."

Herein do men become confused for they misunderstand James and they think it means works that merit salvation and they read Apostle Paul in Ephesians 2:8-10, "For by grace have ye been saved through faith: and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God: not of works, that no man should glory. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God afore prepared that we should walk in them." It is only by the grace of God that we are saved. There are no works that we perform, to cause us to deserve the salvation of our souls. Grace means an unmerited gift and that is exactly what salvation is, but grace does not exclude the works required in receiving the gift.

Suppose I had a hundred dollars and I said, "Here it is for you." You have done nothing to deserve it and maybe I do not even know you, so it is by grace that I give it to you. What would be your next move? Why it would be to step forward and take hold of it. Did your stepping forth and taking hold of it make you deserve it? Oh, no! You were merely complying with my wishes in receiving the gift, and so it is that Christ and God have outlined the way so that you are to step forward and take hold of this gift of eternal life. You could never deserve the gift.

But someone says, "Surely you understand, preacher, that God would have all men to come to him". In Matthew 11:28 Christ said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," But would you notice that he said, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden". He wasn't talking about the labor of the flesh nor some physical burden, but he said come unto

me all ye that are weary or are tired of sin. There is no need of you trying to come to God until you are tired of walking and abiding in the paths of sin.

That is why Paul said in the seventeenth chapter of Acts, "God commandeth all men everywhere to repent". You can't comply with God's plan of conversion unless you are really willing to repent, turn away from sin and resolve to walk in it no more. So many people are confused in that they think repentance is remission, but repentance is man's part and remission is God's part and man can never accomplish taking away all of his own sins.

Let us illustrate it this way. As a little boy, like all little boys, I like to play in the mud. Sometimes I would decide to play in the mud when I was all clean ready to go to church. In a little bit I would hear the back screen open and close and then my mother or grandmother tell me to stop. Well, I would stop, but that did not take the mud off me. I would quit playing in the mud but that did not make me clean. I had repented, I had turned away from the dirt but the cleansing was yet to come. It wasn't until I was taken into the house, washed and dressed again that I was clean.

We do not obtain by our repentance alone the remission of sins, but we are just complying with part of God's commandments in coming to him.

Again, it is not enough to merely believe and to turn aside from sin, but that faith must be expressed. Paul says in Romans 10:10, "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." You know and I know that a man that actually believes in Christ but does not have the courage to confess him is a man that has never been converted. So it is that Christ commands that we confess his name before men. In receiving our gift Christ said, "He that confesseth me before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in heaven. And he that denieth me before men him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven." That is what you are doing when you refuse to confess him, you are denying him.

But is this all that is required of man in his confession? Why, no! In every instance of conversion found in the New Testament the man or the woman was baptized. On the Day of Pentecost those that had crucified the Lord cried out, "Men and brethren what shall we do? If we are to come back to God in conversion we must give the same answer that Peter gave. "Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. Friends, My concern is what God would have us do--not what man would want to hear.

Paul saw a bright light on the road to Damascus and after conversing with the Lord was told, "Go into Damascus

and it will be told what you must do to be saved." In Acts 22:16 Paul repeats the words of the preacher who came to give him the commands of God and he said, "and now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on his name." Peter said in IPeter 3: 21, Baptism doth now also save us."

But someone says, "Preacher, I thought the blood of Christ was what cleansed us from all sins." Yes it is, but it is by being buried with our Lord in baptism, Rom. 6, that we come in contact with the blood of Christ and his death. Let us turn and read Romans 6:3-4, "Or are ye ignorant that all we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him through baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life." Christ's blood was shed in his death, by being baptized into his death do we come into contact with the cleansing power of his blood. I do not understand how all of this is accomplished. I am thankful I do not have to understand it to enjoy that cleansing power. All I need to do is obey.

Thus we have seen that baptism is essential and we have read in Romans the 6th chapter that it is a burial. Acts 8 in the story of the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch we know that baptism is in the water, for after having heard the gospel preached the eunuch said to Philip, "See, here is water, what doth hinder me to be baptized, and he commandeth the chariot to stand still: and they both went down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip; and the eunuch saw him no more, for he went on his way rejoicing." Why? Because he had completed that which God had prescribed--because he was a new creature.

I In Galatians 3:27 Paul said, "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ." And then another time, "If any man is in Christ, he is a new Creature", II Corinthians 5:17. Then we are baptized into Christ, and if you are in Christ you are a new creature. You have been transformed, changed or converted. And so we have seen the complete picture according to God's word--God's plan of conversion. If, therefore, we are to come back to God in conversion we must hear, believe, repent, confess, and be baptized for the remission of sins. Until men open their eyes to these facts, all of our planning, and all of our working to turn men back to God will be in vain. Our time is gone today but my prayer is that all of you in the audience today who have not obeyed God's plan of conversion will have the courage this day to follow Him in obedience. We are counting on you, dear friend, to come back to God--Will you do that?

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Stamps	236.76
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Rent on Auditorium	35.00
Traveling Expenses	77.01
Tape & Recording	43.20
Miscellaneous	<u>28.70</u>

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Hutchinson, Mrs. Bertha E., Turley, Oklahoma-----	1.00
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Idalou, Texas, Church of Christ-----	108.00
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Capitol St. Church of Christ-----	50.00
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Jackson, Miss., Church of Christ-----	62.50
Jackson, Tenn., Central Church of Christ-----	50.00
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Argentine Church of Christ-----	20.00
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Kansas City, Missouri	
39th & Flora Church of Christ-----	200.00
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