Famine

"I am very seriously concerned about the article on "Famine" in your most recent publication of The Plain Truth magazine. My life has been lived but our greatest concern is for our four young children. I never realized the danger our country and families, and children in turn, now face."

Mrs. C. E. P., Azusa, California

"I wanted to mention how superb the all-color Plain Truth is. It certainly adds class for those who are forming their first impressions of it.

"After seeing the starving people in India... it makes one ill to sit here and eat three full meals a day when I know so many are starving. And those that aren't starving are dying horrible deaths from wars and all sorts of sordid crimes."

Mrs. June G., Seattle, Washington

Latin America

"I want you to know that I have just received the February issue of The Plain Truth in full color and I think it is the finest quality printing I have ever seen! The color really makes such articles of travel as Dr. Charles V. Dorothy's 'Inside Latin America' come alive. Now the reader can travel right along with the author! Thank you so much for your creativity and for sharing it with your readers."

Michael M., Battle Creek, Michigan

St. Valentine's Day

"Many thanks for the copy of the first issue of The Plain Truth in full color. I found the interesting article 'St. Valentine's Day,' which contained a remarkable revelation of the pagan origin of this day... I confess, I had never given much thought to this matter. It was, indeed, a surprise to learn how there is a connection between St. Valentine and Nimrod, Baal, and even Saturn!"

H. R. S., Sacramento, California

Anti-Semitism

"I do not believe it is man's nature to rebel, riot, and fight wars. These demonstrations and race riots appear to be instigated by the Communists and the Jew Zionists. These people have a lust for making trouble. I receive material from so many good sources, whom I know are not being influenced by these dastardly people, that time does not permit being wasted on any publications even if only a suspicion of Jew control exists. Please remove my name from your mailing list."

Robert R., Appleton, Wisconsin

- Your self-contradictory bias is rather obvious, RR. You claim Jews have a "lust for making trouble," but deny it is in "man's nature to rebel, riot, and fight wars." Are you really sure just WHAT you believe, beyond, that is, your animosity for the Jews?

Convinced?

"I have been listening every day to your program and it has really helped me to understand the Bible. Your series on the Ten Commandments is truly wonderful.... Could you put my letter in your magazine so I can prove your letters to the Editor are real? My husband is doubtful about it."

Mrs. R.H.S., Sonoma, California

- If he saw your letter—he's doubtful no more.

"You are too sensational and the things you predict will never come to pass. To me, the Bible is a prejudiced book, full of nonsense and I don't believe it because its writers were prejudiced. No book in the world can give me a true picture of God. Why don't you just take a long walk off a short pier?"

Veronica L. M., California

- That's what the world is doing—we prefer the short walk on a long pier.

Eager for More

"Today I received my first copy of The Plain Truth, and I must confess that much of the content surprises me."

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Personal
from the Editor

This is the second edition of The Plain Truth with full color inside, as well as the front cover. Of course our first full-color number had not come off the press when I wrote the personal column for the February issue.

This is my first opportunity to tell you. I personally picked off the big press the very first copy of that first full-color Plain Truth, had it specially trimmed, and made complete.

And I was disappointed!

In big-scale color printing—740,000 copies that issue—we are just beginners. We still have things to learn, technically. None of us at the Ambassador College Press (Pasadena plant) was satisfied with the color. Our editorial staff was not well pleased.

Yet, paradoxically, we all thought it was the best issue so far! The color reproduction was far from perfect. But at least there was color!

So now I would like to take our readers behind the scene and tell you some things about printing a magazine in full color. Color printing is a highly technical operation. It requires special and costly equipment. Already we had been printing the front cover in full color—and very satisfactorily. But our cover, of heavier and more glossy paper, is printed on a special sheet-fed cover press.

But the inside of the magazine is printed on the big web press, shown on the front cover of the February number. It is fed by huge rolls of paper. All four colors are printed in the one operation.

But first, four separate plates must be made. When these are all properly blended together on the press, they produce all the colors of the rainbow.

In order to develop these four different color plates, a highly specialized and very intricate color-separating machine is required.

Part of the reason our color pictures were not perfect last month was needed skill in operating this intricate new machine. Part was due to the fact some of the pictures were not too good color-wise, anyway. To further improve our color pictures, a better grade of paper was immediately ordered. Delivery should make the April number.

So here we run into still another problem—acquiring high-quality full-color pictures (or film) in the first place. As long as we printed all pictures in black-and-white, we had a wealth of picture material available. Like all large-circulation magazines, we employ the great worldwide picture services of the major press agencies—such as Wide World photos, the picture service of Associated Press. But these are primarily newspaper services, and newspapers use little or no color. The color-photograph selections of these services are extremely limited.

Most picture magazines, such as LIFE, and LOOK in the United States, and other similar picture magazines in other countries, employ their own staff photographers. We already have one full-time staff photographer, who has been sent already to many parts of the world to take photographs for The Plain Truth. We may need to employ more.

I thought it well to let our readers know what a really great undertaking it is to print such a large-circulation magazine—now approaching a million copies—in full color.

Most of our readers already realize, I'm sure, that our effort is to make whatever we do the best—as near perfection as possible.

There remains one other big consideration that will come as a big surprise to most of you. When you pick up one of the big-circulation picture-type magazines, whether in South Africa, Aus-
tralia, Europe, or Life or Look in America, you get the impression that the magazines are nearly altogether full color.

Well here is the surprise I received: Dr. Herman L. Hoeh, our Managing Editor, brought me a current issue of a mass-circulation picture magazine. He had cut out, as far as possible without removing editorial or non-advertising reading matter, all the advertisements. And what a surprise it was! There were 51 pages containing pictures. 36 of these were in black-and-white. Only 15 were in color! All other pages either contained no pictures, or advertising. With all the ads left in—profuse with much color—the reader receives the impression of a magazine just chock-full of color.

It was a surprise to me to realize that so much of the color in these mass-circulation magazines is in the advertising! But The Plain Truth contains no advertising.

As I write, now, I have, of course, seen much of the material that will be in this issue of The Plain Truth—as it was prepared in our editorial offices and before it had been sent to the printing plant. But I have seen none of it, as of this writing, of course, as you will be seeing it when you read this—in the finished printed magazine. I sincerely hope that the color printing will be an improvement on the February number. I assure you that all of us on The Plain Truth staff will continue striving for improvement—toward perfection.

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And now, what about you? Just as we on The Plain Truth staff find we cannot achieve perfection all at once—from the very beginning—neither can we—or you—arrive at perfection in true Christian character all at once—at the very start!

This is basic to the very purpose of life!

How did you come to be here on earth? Did you just happen, an accident of blind, unintelligent, unknowing, lifeless evolution? Or were you put here and given life by an all-knowing, all-intelligent, purposeful living Supreme God, who designed and created the human mind and body?

Let me tell you—and I can prove it, and so can you if you are willing—that the Great Creator brought you into existence on this earth for a great and mighty purpose!

You were born into a world which has developed a certain type civilization. The instant you were born you knew—nothing! But your eyes opened, you looked about, and knowledge of what you saw began registering in your memory—began putting knowledge into your mind. Your ears heard sounds, and thus additional knowledge entered through the sense of hearing. Very elementary at first, but gradually, each bit of new knowledge, entering your mind through your sense of taste, smell, feel, sight and hearing, was added to what had previously been stored there.

Gradually you came to know, and take up with, the customs, ways, generally accepted ideas and beliefs of this world. You accepted them, took them for granted without question.

Some of them were good—but many of them were bad. But you took them for granted without realizing they were bad.

You were born with a nature. We call it human nature. Few people realize what it is. Human nature has a spiritual side, and a physical side. On its spiritual side, it is pure vanity. Vanity loves and tends to exalt the self. It is self-centered. It is selfish and greedy. It is this way naturally. On its physical side, there are the five senses, and the pull of these senses to want to be satisfied. Exercise of these senses can produce sensations of pleasure. Some of these sensual pleasures are healthy, uplifting and good. But many are injurious, harmful and bad. Yet the bad ones cry out for gratification as much—probably far more than the good. Thus human nature exerts an automatic, impulsive pull toward selfishness, greed, vanity, jealousy, envy, hatred, and toward the lusts (wrong desires) of the flesh.

Human nature makes it come natural to resent and resist authority over one. A child tends to resist the authority of his parents. We grow up with a natural attitude of hostility toward any authority, all the way up to God.

Human nature wants to be good. It just doesn’t want to do good.

Because God is the way of God’s invisible, inexorable, spiritual law. That law is, simply, love. It is love toward God in the form of trusting and willing obedience to God’s every command and direction, knowing it is for our highest good. It is love toward God in the form of being God-centered—having the mind continually (consciously or sub-consciously) in contact with God, relying on God, seeking guidance from God, worshipful in the sense of gratitude, obedience, faith in complete trust. It is love toward fellow man—in the sense of outgoing concern, equal to love and concern for self.

Now no man exercises that kind of love naturally. You simply were not born with that kind of love. You don’t have it!

That is, not unless you have received it from God through His gift of His Holy Spirit.

That love travels a certain road. It is the road that leads to peace, to happiness, to confident assurance, security, well-being, enjoyment without setbacks, prosperity—every good thing the heart desires.

Everyone wants that result.

That is to say, everyone wants to be good.

But no one, it seems, naturally wants to go that way—to do good.

That is the way of God’s law.

Now this world is not full of happiness, peace, joy, and universal prosperity. It is pretty well filled with strife—in the home, in business, in politics, in war between nations. It is pretty well filled with unhappiness, frustration, insecurity. It is pretty well filled with crime and violence, with broken homes and unhappy quarreling homes, with sickness and disease, with frustrations, failures, tragedies.

Now God is not the author of all these troubles in the world.

God has, for a great purpose, made humans free moral agents, and allotted six thousand years for mankind to make a choice—whether to accept God’s government over him, to be

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Drought is Here Now!!

America tries to feed the world. Millions of bushels of wheat are being shipped to starving India. Reserves dwindle, while crops fall off. Yet the massive shipments overseas are based upon the belief our peoples will continue to have good crops! Read what your Bible says about the DANGER of that belief!

by Garver Ted Armstrong

Are you hungry today? Nearly two thirds of the world’s population is. Millions may starve in the next few years!

In the last issue of The Plain Truth, the horrifying facts were given about the terrible famine stalking the earth; of the big populations growing larger; of the prolonged drought beginning to seriously affect many of the big food raisers.

The Specter of Famine

Perhaps the specter of famine in the future may seem far away—unreal. But to farmers walking through their own fields in many parts of South Africa, the United States, Australia and Canada—drought is a day-by-day reality.

Late in 1965, a leading U. S. news magazine ran a terse account of upset weather conditions in India, Northern Europe, Cuba, Canada, Communist China, Korea, Australia, the Soviet Union, and in all parts of the United States. Conditions ranged from “Worst drought in recorded history” in the Northeastern U. S. to “Famine-producing drought, no relief in sight” for India.

1965 went out in a hail of bad weather reports.

Britain reported one of the “coldest and wettest summers on record” in 1965, with farmers harvesting soggy crops. Conditions were so bad that the National Farmers Union estimated only about 50 percent of the corn was in, and of the rest, 20 percent had been flattened by storms.

France reported wheat and other grain harvests badly delayed because of torrential rains. Vineyards were hit worst. Western Germany reported “freak” summer weather, while Italy said violent summer storms had claimed 65 lives, and cost millions of dollars in damage.

The Soviet Union reported Moscow’s summer as “one of the coldest and rainiest” in recent times, while Eastern European Russia was hit by heavy rains and typhoons, causing extensive flooding.

Weathermen in Sweden said their summer was “one of the coldest of this century”—and harvests were badly in need of dry, sunny weather.

1965 came to an end.

But 1966 weather reports have been no better.

Huge blizzards stung the United States with bone-chilling cold in January and February. Northern Minnesota reported temperatures plummeting down to 45 below zero—while freezing rains, sleet and snow struck deep into the South—into Louisiana and Florida.

Experts Are Baffled

Accustomed to charting weather predictions based on known meteorological patterns, weathermen are at a loss to explain the strange, prolonged shifts of currents in the upper sky—referred to as “jet streams” by airlines’ pilots.

Since 1961, the Northeast has endured accumulating drought. The weathermen refer to the “puzzling” deviations of the jet stream.

Amazingly enough, the drought continues despite heavy snows.

In fact, even after the devastating blizzards early this year, an article by George W. Cornell, received on Ambassador College campus via our Associated Press wire service, was written for the express purpose of explaining how the snows did nothing to alleviate drought conditions.

Said Mr. Cornell, “Already the drought has dried up wells, depleted reservoirs, pushed water tables slowly down, lowered rivers, stunted annual crops and, in towns and cities, stirred a gathering anxiety.” He pointed out how even the snowfall was inadequate.

Normally, snow begins to spread into the Northeast in late November and early December. But this year, New York City got its first measurable snowfall on January 23rd.

Weather Bureau officials in Pennsylvania said, “It will take a lot more snow or we won’t have any moisture to fall back on this spring.”

Said Malcolm Graf, director of the Massachusetts Water Resources Commission, “It’s very grim.” “It’s critical,” says Carl Gerken, who is assistant county agent in the northern part of Virginia, “It looks as if it will continue critical.”

Take a look at New York, already under long siege by drought. Reservoirs supplying metropolitan New York were around 40 percent of capacity in February, or about 190 billion gallons, compared to a normal 75 percent of capacity, or about 359 billion gallons.

Precipitation has remained below normal. New York City’s acting water chief is Herman Forster. He said it is “almost unbelievable how little snow has fallen over the upstate watershed.
this season" and warned New Yorkers may face even greater water restrictions in coming months than last year.

Sum it all up.

The United States is trying to sustain a massive “feed the hungry world” program, shipping millions of tons of foodstuffs to India and Latin America.

America is pictured as the “wonderland” of the world on travel posters—the glorious land of opportunity—the island of plenty in the midst of a hungry sea of humanity.

Present food shipments overseas are predicated upon the notion that the United States can, at any time government controls are lifted from farmers, increase her food supplies enormously.

But what if farmers find they simply can’t make their crops grow? What if ripened wheat, just ready to harvest, is beaten to the ground by hail—to lie rotting in the fields? What if citrus crops are frozen in early spring? What if fungus, disease, insects, and weatherall combined seem bent on a prolonged siege of our national staff of bread?

Is it conceivable the United States may find itself unable to feed its own people?

Britain is unable to do so, right now!

Australia has been mightily stricken by drought, dust storms, animal and insect plague.

South Africa and Bechuanaland, as reported in the last issue, have been seriously afflicted in record-breaking drought.

How long do you suppose these present trends can continue?

So far, the average housewife has noticed the trends only in slightly higher prices on some fruits and vegetables. To many a fruit rancher and farmer—it has been an entirely different story!

But what of the years ahead?

Is it safe to assume these fantastic changes in weather, these ghastly changes in the jet stream, these unexpected storms, prolonged drought, and drying wells will suddenly become a thing of the past; that overnight all will be safe and sane and sound again?

Believe it or not, your Bible predicts drought will strike our own peoples in increasing fury until national emergencies are declared in our lands!

But simple name-calling by government agencies will not solve the problem. In the U.S., it takes an official statement by the federal government that a given area is a “disaster” area in order to make federal funds available for rehabilitation. For rebuilding after a flood—that’s fine. Businesses, home owners, state highway engineers can use the money.

But when drought has caused a disaster?

You can’t eat money!

And our surpluses are being rapidly depleted! Operators of huge grain storage warehouses in Kansas are becoming alarmed. By the time you read this, many a huge government surplus bin will be dangerously near the empty mark, when only a number of months ago it was three-quarters or more full!

Record-breaking Winter Storms Didn’t Relieve Drought!

Newspapers around the world headlined the paralyzing blizzards howling through New England and Eastern seaboard states in January.

Articles showed how the nation’s capital was virtually shut down by the silent white stuff, while Pennsylvania, Delaware and Virginia declared states of emergency.

Babies were born in marooned automobiles. Exposure, fire, heart attack took 200 and more lives—and economic costs soared.

Oswego, New York, had 102 inches of snow!

Immediately the question was raised, “Did the blizzards relieve the drought conditions?” “No!” answered weathermen. The U.S. Weather Bureau’s weekly crop and weather bulletin said, “In terms of the total amount of water contained in the snow, the recent storms along the East Coast have hardly made a dent in the 4-year water deficit.”

They added, “From a hydrologic standpoint the water shortage is far from over... before water tables are brought back to normal... (it) will require many months of abnormally wet weather.”

“The drought problem is still with us” said the bulletin.

And it’s going to get much worse! Believe it or not—accept it or not; your Creator has warned our peoples of impending national emergencies because of “natural” disasters!

Unless multiple millions of our citizens will truly repent of their manifold sins against God, and turn to Him with their whole beings, you will see food rationing in near future years!

Our peoples—of Great Britain, the United States, Australia, South Africa, Canada, the democracies of Northwest Europe—are identified in the Bible! They are singled out as the peoples who inherited the bright promises given to Isaac and Jacob.

We have been given the choicest farmlands, grazing lands; given the fantastic abundance that has led us to believe we can feed the whole hungry world!

But God will allow our abundance to disappear.

Literally dozens of prophecies in your Bible predict impending drought, famine, and ultimate starvation for our peoples unless we repent and turn to God with our whole heart. But can you imagine millions of our peoples, including our leaders, sincerely turning to the Bible; trembling before it as the living Word of God; eagerly searching through God’s Word to find what our national and personal course should be?

Can you envision government leaders dropping to their knees in real heartfelt repentance before God, crying out to Him to deliver us from our awesome problems?

“Ridiculous!” some would say.

And because such a picture of national repentance is so “ridiculous” to even imagine—our people shall suffer plagues until we think it ridiculous that a leader would not repent—until we cry out to our God, and really seek Him for the first time in our lives!

But WHY US?

But some will always ask, “But why should God choose this generation for the manifestation of His wrath?”
"What have we done? Why should God be angry with us?"

And even these questions were prophesied.

God said, "And it shall come to pass, when you shall show this people all these words [of these prophecies], and they shall say unto you, 'Wherefore hath the Eternal pronounced all this great evil against us?' or 'What is our iniquity?' or 'What is our sin that we have committed against the Eternal our God?'

"Then shall you say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the Eternal, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law!" (Jer. 16:10-11.)

Does this sound a little "vague" to you? Does it sound a little archaic, a little too much like some "Old Testament Fire and Brimstone?"

It's time you understand the real ENORMITY of our personal and national sins! God continued, "And you have done WORSE than your fathers; for, behold, you walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me!" (Jer. 12:16.)

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But why would God say OUR peoples, our "CHRISTIAN" peoples are guilty of plain IDOLATRY? Surely you have not bowed down to an idol, have you? Have you really worshipped other gods? Could you have been guilty of IDOLATRY?

Most would answer, "Of course not!" "Why," they might say, "In this modern age of enlightenment, only ignorant SAVAGES practice idolatry—but we, in this CHRISTIAN world certainly don't."

You'll be shocked to find just how completely our peoples have been guilty of idolatry!

First, WHAT IS idolatry?

Your Creator commands, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me!" (Ex.

Wheat temporarily dumped in open storage—overflow from gorged grain elevator! Can we continue to expect a bumper crop next year? and the next? For how long?
And most people assume their concept of “god” must be the true God—most people confuse the second commandment with the first. God said, “Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Eternal thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.” (Ex. 20:4-6.)

And, since the vast majority of our peoples believe we have come out of the heathen age of outright worship of sticks, stones, totem poles, fetishes, witch doctors and the like—we carelessly assume we are not guilty of idolatry!

Do You KNOW God?

But who IS your god? Where is He? Of how many persons does your God consist? What is He like? What kind of character does He have? Can He intervene on your behalf? Does your God give you any commands you must obey? What does He look like? What are His laws? What is His purpose in your life? What plan does He have in mind?

Take the so-called world of “Christianity” for example. Look what the professing “Christian” world does not know about Christ!

The many disagreeing denominations and sects do not know the time of Christ's birth. Millions assume it was December 25th. Bible scholars admit it was nowhere near this date—but probably in the Autumn. Millions suppose it must have been at the beginning of the year 1 A.D.—not realizing it was nowhere near that date.

Millions disagree on the method of His birth. Some say Mary had to be “immaculately” conceived, rather than accepting the pure truth concerning Christ's birth.

Few know what He was. Was He God changed into a human fetus? Was Christ the God of the Old Testament? Was Christ just a “good man” or a “prophet”? Was Jesus only human, after all? Or was He God? Or was He both? People are confused.

Most don't know why He came.

Millions assume He came to save the world then—and assume He has been frantically trying to get it saved ever since! Yet He said He DID NOT!

Millions don’t know Christ came with a message—not for the world, but for His own disciples. They don’t know what that message was, to whom He brought it, and for what purpose.

Millions suppose they have pictures of Christ. Little do they realize Christ Himself inspired Paul to say long hair is a shame to a man! Little do they seem to realize Judas had to betray Christ with a kiss to make sure there was no mistaking His identity—because He looked so like the other Jews of His time. (He was a Jew! Heb. 7:14.)

No one seems able to agree on why He died (He said no one is saved by His death—but by His life! Rom. 5:10) nor on how He died. Most assume He died of a broken heart.

Millions aren’t sure He did die—but believe possibly only His body died, while He went to preach to “spirits” in hell! But how can this square with the promise millions assume He made to the thief on the cross about being in paradise? The thief wasn’t with Him when He appeared to His disciples over three days later.

No one seems able to agree on how long He (if it were He!) was in the tomb—or even which tomb! Most of professing Christianity rejects His own plain statements about the only sign He would leave as to His true Messiahship—that of three full days and three full nights in the tomb—and suppose a Friday sunset to “Easter” (spelled Ishtar in ancient Babylon) Sunday morning—is what He meant. Try to fit three days and three nights into that period of time. (And write for our free article, “The Crucifixion Was NOT on Friday!”)

Millions deny He was resurrected—claim His body was stolen, or that He wasn’t really dead, or that He only feigned death, and then died in the tomb, only to have His disciples secretly bury Him elsewhere.

Whether He was resurrected is always the subject of much controversy between professing “Christian” scholars!

Where He went IF He was resurrected has puzzled many. And what was He when He was resurrected? God or Man? And why was He resurrected—if He was? And when was He resurrected?

And what has He been doing since?

Let’s suppose you’re talking to a person about a mutual friend. You’re discussing what a “fine fellow” he is. You don’t know what his name means, don’t know the circumstances surrounding his birth, don’t know anything about his life; don’t know what he believed, or stood for; don’t know what he looks like; don’t know his nature, personality or character; don’t know his family; don’t know where he is; don’t know where he’s been; don’t know where he’s going.

That’s quite a bit NOT to know about someone and still call him “friend,” isn’t it?

Does this professing “Christian” world really know Christ? The real Christ of the Bible?

No! It does not!

It’s about time people began leaving Christ’s name out of their personal religion!

And what about you? Are some of these points a little confusing to you? Do you know Christ? I don’t mean in some sticky, syrupy, “sacramental” “religious” or “sentimental” way you merely recognize the phonetic sound of His name—but do you know all about Him?

Does this world accept or worship the Christ of the Bible?

No!

It has substituted a weak, sickly, effeminate, confused, failure, for the dynamic, thoroughly masculine, powerful Christ of the Bible!

Can you get the point?

Too many people assume our generation is a “Christian” one. We assume we are wholly “innocent” before God—that our society is mostly pleasing to Him! Assuming this incredible false-
hood—we gasp in amazement at the rebuke of God. We stammer in wonderment when we hear God is beginning to allow terrible national punishments to come upon us!

We ask, "Why?"

And the reason for our impending calamities is being made plain to us! We have forgotten our very national identity (if you have not proved where our peoples are identified in Bible Prophecy, then write for our free booklet, The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy immediately)—we have rejected the authority of the Bible, we have pushed God and His laws completely out of our lives!

God says, "...The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah [two different "houses" or peoples] is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood [our peoples lead the world in crime!], and the city full of perverseness: [our cities have become asphalt jungles of crime, immorality, drug addiction and sensuous pleasure-seeking] for they say, The Lord hath forsaken the earth, and, the Lord seeth not!” (Ezek. 9:9.)

And that is exactly what millions say today.

One of the most recent, the most "popular" expressions among so-called "Christian" Atheists is, "God is dead!" Hundreds of professing "Christian" ministers are quick to explain to their congregations how little "God" has to do with our present world—how He has "gone 'way off" to some distant place—how "God" has gone into retirement!

People who believe in the great Creator-Being of the Bible; who believe He lives, that He intervenes in our personal lives; that He is working out a purpose here below, that He will soon shake the nations of this earth, and set up His own government here below—such people are regarded as "religious nuts" by many a professing "Christian."

Have millions of our peoples adopted the fanciful notion that "The Lord seeth not"? Certainly!

And let's understand further! We are beginning to suffer the consequences of our own ways of life!

Get the picture in proper perspective! Too often, like disobedient little children, people put on a show of perfect "innocence" when told of the awesome prophecies of the Word of God concerning our peoples!

A young girl wrote, "I am angry with God for having chosen this generation for the manifestation of His wrath!"

But this generation has done the choosing! Not God.

God says, "...I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations! And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee" (Ezek. 7:3-4).

"O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me is thine help" God says (Hosea 13:9).

We are beginning to suffer the automatic consequences of our own way of life! God is not yet performing miracles in bringing plagues upon us. He is not directly plaguing our peoples! Rather, He is allowing the natural results of our own evil ways to come right back on our own heads! We abuse the earth He gave us, polluting it with pesticides and chemicals; killing the nutrients in the soil, striving by our own humanly devised mechanical means to produce crops.

Any farmer who seriously trusted His God for insect control; for good crops; for good weather; for his very success as a farmer, would be scorned and ridiculed by all who knew of his practices!

Yet it is God Almighty who says He will intervene in the weather! He says it is He who gives good crops, and protects us from drought and famine! But our peoples have never recognized God's intervention in our behalf!

When farmers in South Africa hung sarcastic signs on fences, asking for collections to buy spectacles "for God" so He could "see the suffering of both man and beast" they proved the point. It is man's nature to blame God when things go wrong, and give man the credit when conditions are right.

We're complacent. We like to delude ourselves into thinking these prophecies are not real! We seem to believe, somehow, that we shall keep eating regularly; that life will go on in monotonous day-to-day routine.

How incredibly shocked millions of us will be!

Don't make the mistake of finding some "picky" or "twiggly" little "point" with which you disagree in this article, and then begin to let your own mind deceive you into believing drought will not come.

Don't "kid" yourself!

Drought is coming! It's beginning to strike us right now. And it's going to get much, much worse in the years ahead.

You have been warned.

Whether you ever read one more article in future issues of this magazine; or hear The WORLD TOMORROW again—you have been warned! And in the years to come you shall see, and you will know you heard the truth about the future—before it happened!

May God help you to have the spiritual courage to do something about it now.

Personal from the Editor

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ruled by God's Law of love—or whether to set up his own ideas of man-made government, following what comes natural—human nature.

That six thousand years is about up. When it is—a very few more years, perhaps less than 15—God Almighty is going to step in, intervene supernaturally and in divine power in the governments and ways of society—and bring peace and happiness to humanity!

HOW can that be done?

It's simple!

There is a way of personal, group, and organized living that will automatically produce that utopia. And there is a way that has, for 6,000 years, produced curses, war, strife and violence, frustration, failure—everything this world has.

God is simply going to enforce, with
divine Power, His way. He is going to take over all governments, in a super world government, ruled by the very Creator. It will rule by God's laws—the way of love!

Why do some people—even college professors and some who are intellectually inclined—become Communists? Because they see many things wrong in this world—they want to be right— they grasp Communism as a last straw and only hope, under the delusion that they can have a part in making this a better world! They want to be right—but they don't want to do right. So they grasp the straw that makes the lying and false promises of producing the solution. But Communism is only another idea of man based on human nature. It is a theoretical way that would destroy what little good there might be in this world's society. It is the most false of false hopes.

But you can have a part in actually bringing peace, happiness, joy and abundance to humanity. God Almighty is going to do it—whether or not you have a part in it! But He is not going to do it alone. He is going to take certain human beings, born in the very likeness of God, who repent of their carnal human nature—who cry out to God to change that nature, and give them the matchless supreme gift of His divine love that will travel the way toward peace, happiness and joy.

These are they who, through real repentance of what they are as well as what they have done, through faith in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ as well as in His resurrected life and power, are forgiven their guilty past, given contact with God, changed, converted, receiving His Holy Spirit, being begotten as His child, receiving the divine nature.

In other words, they repent of human nature—they repent of hostility to authority—of resentment against God's Law. They surrender unconditionally to God, and wholeheartedly want Him to rule in their lives. They change (through God's power given by His grace) from rebellion to submission—from self-centeredness to being God-centered. They let Jesus Christ (in Spirit) come into their lives and actually live their lives for them (Galatians 2:20).

They change from the way that has brought all the curses upon this unhappy world, to the way that will bring a brilliant, joyous utopia to earth in a very few years when God sends the living Jesus Christ in all Power and Glory to rule all nations and bring the happy, peaceful world tomorrow!

This change is conversion. This is what it means to become a Christian. A Christian is not merely one who professes Christ. God's own instruction to us—the Bible—says that if one has not received God's Holy Spirit, he is none of His—he is not a Christian (Romans 8:9). God gives His Holy Spirit only to them that obey Him (Acts 5:32). This implants within the mind the divine nature—it means a changed mind!

But it does not remove the human nature. The mind governs whether the converted Christian now follows the pulls, the impulses, the desires of human nature, or whether he resists them and is led by the newly received divine nature. "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God" (Romans 8:14). But one's human nature cries out to be satisfied—does not like to be repressed.

Just receiving God's Spirit is not enough. One must be led by God's Spirit. His Spirit opens the mind to understanding of spiritual truth, and the knowledge of God's Law. It opens the mind to the way one should follow. God's Spirit also is the love of God—God's own divine love—flooding into the human heart, and flowing on out in love to God and love to neighbor.

One must therefore grow in spiritual knowledge and in God's grace (II Peter 3:18). He must become a doer of God's Law—actually living in the way of peace and happiness and joy. This means he must overcome his own carnal nature, his old habits, the temptations of the world—he must be changed! He must develop toward perfect spiritual and righteous character. The real Christian is undergoing a life of training to become a ruler in God's Kingdom—in the happy and peaceful world tomorrow.

One cannot learn everything in a minute, a day, or a year. One does not become perfect at one jump. It is a continuous process. Just as we were not able (though we tried) to produce the perfect color in the pictures of the February Plain Truth, so no Christian becomes perfect at the very beginning. He does not overcome or root out all the sins, the wrong habits, all at once. He must do it little by little. But, "he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end," says Jesus Christ, "to him will I give power over the nations: and he shall rule them" (Revelation 2:26-27).

Why do the nations of this earth need ruling by Christ and those trained under a Christian life? Because all the unhappiness—everything wrong with this world—has come from living the way of human nature—the way of hostility to God's Law and God's Government. Because the only way this world can have peace, prosperity, happiness, is to be forced to build a society based on the way that produces these desired blessings.

If you have started on that right way, don't get discouraged because you have slipped and fallen down along the road a few times. Get up and keep going. Even if you have sinned and are truly sorry, you can repent and Christ is your High Priest to forgive. Read and study I John 1:7-10 and 2:1-2. This is written to converted Christians.

At the time of Christ's coming, the dead in Christ will be resurrected and rise to meet the descending Christ in the air. At that instant those living who have been thus changed, begotten by God's Spirit, will be changed in composition, from mortal to immortal—from matter to spirit—from human to divine.

They are then to rule with and under the all-powerful living Christ, until all nations beat their swords into plowshares, and peace shines forth on this war-weary earth!

Jesus Christ taught His followers to pray: "Thy kingdom come—Thy will be done on earth!" How about it. Shall we pray that prayer? I DO!
WHY BRITAIN IS PLAGUED WITH

THE BEAT GENERATION

Just what is the "beat" way of life the younger generation is embracing? Why do today's teenagers lack any real sense of purpose? Here are the surprising answers!

by Gerhard O. Marx

A reputable London minting firm is minting gold coins of the Beatles. This same firm had minted coins in commemoration of Churchill, Kennedy, and the Battle of Britain.

And just recently, archbishop Andrew Beck of Liverpool hinted that the Beatles may play at the opening of Liverpool's £2,50,000 Roman Catholic cathedral in 1967. The bishop went on: "It could be said that the Beatles do more to bring the younger generation together than the international conferences of statesmen."

Why the Impact on Society

The Beatles—merely one of many beat groups—have had a phenomenal impact on today's society. They have actually met every member of the British Royal Family. Last year the Queen awarded them the OBE (Order of the British Empire) medal. It is supposed to represent outstanding service.

I remember, in first coming to England five years ago, what an extraordinary sight it was for me to see one or two long-haired boys vegetating in Leicester Square, London. People would stop and stare for a moment—then pass on.

Today it is no longer necessary to visit that part of London. You can see long-haired juveniles everywhere—from the larger cities to the small hamlets. It's no more a novelty. It's an altogether common sight. You see them at work, on the beach, at sport sessions, in stores—in fact, almost everywhere.

You watch them walking down the streets, not knowing what gender or sex they are. They wear long, effeminate-looking, often filth-infested hair. They may conceal themselves in animal skins and behave like monkeys. Their music consists of screams, tramplings, shoutings and constant beats.

They are the beat generation, noted for their anti-everything campaign.

Britain is not the only land affected by this charmless, tasteless spectacle. This new "culture" is spreading its tentacles to other lands, infesting their societies.

In South Africa, a beat group called "The Zombies" is exploiting the teenagers' lustful desires for this animal-type behaviour. In West Germany it's "The Lords"—that's typically German—who are "sending" their frantic admirers into states of ecstasy. In communist East Germany it's the "River Squallers." A recent poll in East Germany showed that the Beatles, the Rolling Stones, and a local Magdeburg beat group rate higher on the teenagers' list than do famous astronauts, civic leaders and even their own parents.

It used to be film stars, sport heroes, inventors, writers or civil leaders who were idolized. Now it's the "Beatles," the "Animals," the "Zombies" and other beat groups who are worshipped.

A concert programme autographed by the Beatles was recently valued in New York at more than a four-page letter by the world-renown musician Brahms.

Close to one hundred fans a week, according to a recent report, go to see the Benedict Canyon home where the Beatles stayed during their recent visit to Hollywood.

And this in the "enlightened" 20th century!

Why It's a Way of Life

What type of people comprise this "beat" generation? Is it merely a clever gimmick to attract attention to themselves? Or is it a way of life?

The fact is, it is a way of life with...
them—by their own admission an ugly, senseless one. The philosophy of this way of life depicts life as meaningless and purposeless.

Listen to the beat generation’s own claim:

"Sometimes I wish I could do something more worthwhile than just drifting," laments one youth.

"I like to surround myself with the old world. All this stuff takes me back and helps my mind to wander!" says another, a well-known, long-haired pop singer, in a book entitled Generation X.

"Your mind is geared to fantasy rather than fact," explained another who had absorbed this "beat" way of life.

"I usually get up at about 11 o’clock and I get so bored with nothing to do that I feel desperate."

"I like to be alone sometimes. I get the feeling I just want to get away from everything."

"I like to feel free, to go anywhere and not have to worry," is the desired outlook on life of a 20-year-old.

These examples typify the outlook this beat generation has. The young- sters don’t become beatniks automatically by just allowing their hair to grow long and wearing untidy clothes. It’s an ideology—a way of life, with them. The dirty clothes and long hair merely serve as a uniform for the soldiers of this degenerate philosophy.

**Why Against Society**

If there is one prime characteristic that brands this group of people, it is their anti-society outlook. Followers of this "beat" generation make no effort to hide this fact. On the contrary! Their ill-kempt appearance, their outlandish clothes, their immoral codes, their childish philosophy serve the purpose of marking them as rebels against society. The last thing they would want is to be associated in any way with organized society as it is. Their philosophy is to be totally different, to be completely disorganized—and the closer they can get to existing in a state of chaos the better they like it.

"I hate civilization," spouts one youth from Kent. "I can’t stand anything modern. The more primitive things are the more I like them."

And a London lad adds, "The thing I hate most is people in authority."

A fitting example of this abhorrence and rebellion towards constituted authority is evidenced periodically by a large segment of today’s youth. Britain’s annual holidays are used by them in turning sea resorts into veritable jungles. Instead of serving as places for vacationing, these resort towns become targets for widespread devastation.

It’s not uncommon to see this spectacle. On their motorcycles they come, like locusts—hundreds of them. Long-
haired, anti-social, anti-government, anti-religious, anti-everything. Like a foreboding plague, they come to throw into confusion everything that is orderly. Their destructive purpose is carried out ruthlessly. Like a devastating hurricane, they bring chaos to a peaceful community.

Dr. George Simpson, British magistrate, aptly describes this anti-social segment of today's youth: "These long-haired, mentally unstable petty little Sawdust Caesars seem to find courage, like rats, by hunting only in packs..."

Along with this anti-social outlook is their abhorrence of religion and morals. They want to live, or better yet, exist, like animals.

States one disappointed youth, "I don't believe in religion because it does nothing for you."

"Religion is for old people who have given up living," asserts one teen-ager boldly.

And a London girl adds, "Religion to most teen-agers is an old person's fairy tale. Most teen-agers think about God, but the Bible and the church seem so completely remote and irrelevant to their lives."

In a recent interview, teen-agers had this to say about religion: "The Church of England is a society that exists for the middle class. A giant Tory party at prayer. A hobby for old ladies. The Church service is boredom in a strange language that might as well be Chinese. A priest is someone out of touch with life..." (Daily Mirror, March 16, 1964).

But why are adherents of this new perverted culture anti-social and anti-religious? Why does a great segment of the younger generation accept this "beat" philosophy? What's the underlying cause of it all? And what's the real solution?

Causes for Grievances

The cause is simple—human nature! Human nature is characterized by outright rebellion towards all constituted authority. "Authority stifles us!" is the way one of them puts it. They fight to be rid of any authority to which they have to be obedient.

It's an attitude of resentment, of contempt towards anyone in a place of authority. An unlawful yearning for no restraints, no discipline, no moral codes.

"I shall remain an individual!" says one youth, by which he means he is not going to abide by any moral code nor obey any lawful injunction. "I shall like what I like and go where I like," this teen-ager continues.

The demand to be free from the sway and control parents have over them is merely another manifestation of their hatred for authority.

"I'd marry anyone just to spite my parents," says one beat-girl contemptuously.

"Why should you be bossed around by people in authority?" asks one youngster.

This attitude of rebellion in human nature is the new beat culture—it's a hatred for any established order, a contempt for all authority, and a rejection of all moral codes.

But there is another important reason why this "beat" movement has sprung up. It's the society around us—the man-made society that has molded the minds and morals of our statesmen, our teachers and parents!

Today's leaders failed their duty—they did not teach the younger generation the real purpose of life. Why? Because they themselves did not know the purpose of life. Society never taught them. Their teachers never taught it in school because they in turn had never learned it. People simply don't know why they were born!

And yet there is a wonderful and
great purpose for which every child, every teen-ager, and every adult has been born. If they knew what it was, the "beat" generation would never have started!

Of course, society has taught certain human values of life. But the real purpose of why we were put here on the earth—what life is all about—that society has failed to give. Notice how some of the younger generation feel about the failure of education, of religion, of philosophy, of government.

One office worker asks, "Why on earth do I go into this office every day and get so heated about it, just for a miserly wage packet? Where is it all leading? Is this life? Who am I and what's it all for, anyway?"

These are questions society cannot answer. It's incapable of doing so because it doesn't know the answer itself.

"My life will probably be quite futile," says another. "Most lives are."

"The general prospects for the future are not too bright," confesses one youth who looks at world conditions and realizes the state of hopelessness the world finds itself in.

Another younger says half-heartedly, "I suppose there's a purpose to life, but I'm still very mixed up. I'm scared of the future."

"There is a feeling in the air that something is going to happen," says another apprehensively.

"What is there to expect from our so-called rulers?" demands one person angrily.

Adherents to this beat attitude look at the world situation—the confusion, the mistrust, the fickering, the insecurity and hopelessness of this world and realize that all is not well! They consequently develop a feeling of antipathy toward everything associated with modern society.

"Our elders and betters do not inspire us, do not give us the slightest incentive to be as they are," admits one teen-ager bitterly.

Their elders are blamed for failing to make this a safer, more peacable world to live in. The statesmen and politicians are blamed for bringing this world to the brink of hydrogen-bomb annihilation. "If they had set a better example, things might be different for us," they claim.

Many public officials realize society has failed to convey anything really worthwhile for youth to live for. One member of parliament told a gathering of interested listeners recently, "We've got to beat the Beatles!" Mr. Henry Price, Tory M.P. for West Lewisham, warned. "It is useless de­crying it [the beat attitude], or being rude about it and about those who like it. We must offer teen-agers something they will like better."

But society, delinquent and divided itself, cannot furnish the younger generation with a better answer. Society has nothing concrete, and nothing permanent to offer, merely more gadgets, more entertainment.

But doesn't religion provide a worthwhile goal to the youngsters? some may ask. Don't the churches and the other religions teach the younger generation a goal in life?

**Today's Religion the Answer?**

The tragic answer is NO! The religious leaders are themselves confused. They themselves don't know what our purpose in life is. They argue among one another, each defending his own idea about what he thinks the meaning of life is.

Today's religions are considered by most teen-agers as dull, antiquated and meaningless. This fact is admitted by a former youth chaplain, Ronald Green.

"We must face the fact that the church has a very unhappy image with most young people. And we must do something about it. The world is growing faster, noisier, more selfish and restless. The church will have to find something to appeal to the young astronauts of the future," he continues, and finally warns: "We must have something to say to our children as they soar out to space."

**But what?**

Certainly not what one vicar from London suggested, "If unmarried people want to have sex, is the church to say they are right or wrong?"

A great many ministers of religion are divided in their opinions as to God's existence, Christ's Divinity, the Bible's authority and whether or not to keep any of God's Laws. Practically everyone seems to have a different opinion.

Thus some ministers in Britain assume and teach youngsters that God no longer exists, that there is no need to keep any Divine Laws, since the Bible carries no authority anyway.

It's as Dr. George Macleod of the Church of Scotland said recently, "Every discipline in the church has gone and religious culture has had it... There used to be a discipline of the Bible—but that has lost its authority. One cannot even assume knowledge of it. Any layman or any person can believe precisely what he likes."

Can we therefore be surprised if the younger generation disbelieves in God and in keeping any moral codes? Is it any wonder then that teen-agers in our countries are responsible for an ever-increasing number of crimes?

If the churches teach disobedience and ignorance, can we expect the adolescent child to develop a healthy respect for law? If society fails to teach the younger generation the true purpose of life, should we be surprised if a great segment of our teen-agers allow themselves to drift closer and closer to this purposeless "beat" way of life?

The answers should be obvious!

**Teen-age Problems Prophesied!**

People today want to deny God's existence, or at least dispute His authority. It will therefore come as a great surprise to them that the very Book they reject actually foretold this very situation civilization finds itself in today. Read it in your Bible!

God foretold the very time we are living in: "... the child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient, and the base against the honourable" (Isa. 3:5). At that time—today—children shall be our oppressors (v. 12).

Has there ever been a time when the adolescent child and teen-ager have given us more headaches and been in more mischief than is true today? Just look at the increase in teen-age crime! The disrespect for their elders and
parents! The contempt for law and order!

The apostle Paul warned: "In the LAST DAYS perilsous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS, unthankful, unholy" (II Tim. 3:1-2). It describes our society perfectly.

What is wrong? Why the turmoil, agitation, violence, purposelessness?

It is because humanity has rejected God's way of life and lost sight of the marvellous purpose God has for mankind.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." God says in describing our time (Hosea 4:6). Our society has "rejected knowledge"—the true knowledge about the real purpose in life. Consequently, God foretold through the prophet Isaiah: "The wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid" (Isa. 29:14). Blinded to God's purpose! Wandering in darkness, thoroughly perplexed, unable to find the solution to today's problems! That's the world you live in!

What Is the Solution?

What youth needs is a goal! The right goal!

If you understand what it is, you know why God put us on the earth and what life is all about. It's summarized in our free booklet Why Were You Born?

You yourself may not have any "blue blood" in you. But did you know that you were actually born to become a king? Man's ultimate destiny is to rule the universe.

Some may realize that Jesus Christ is called the "King of kings" (I Tim. 6:15), that He is capable of intervening in the affairs of this world, that Christ rules over the entire universe, including the earth (Mat. 28:18; Heb. 2:7-8). But very few realize that you were put on earth to become like Jesus Christ. Read it in I John 3:2, "...we shall see him, for we shall see him as he is."

We are to share Christ's glory, His throne (Rev. 3:21), from which He will rule the nations! Notice Christ's promise, "And he that overcometh and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations. And he shall rule them with a rod of iron" (Rev. 2:26-27).

Yes, if we qualify, then we shall actually be born kings, ruling over the earth and eventually the entire universe. Notice: "And [He] hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth" (Rev. 5:10).

But there are prior conditions. God will not allow rebellious beatniks to rule the world. Only those who submit to God's government can qualify.

We must first live "by every word of God" (Mat. 4:4), develop God's character, overcome ourselves with God's help (Mat. 5:48).

God Almighty does not automatically grant everyone eternal life and rulership over the nations. Everyone must be qualified and must have proved himself to be trustworthy to accept such a great and splendidous responsibility.

That is why God—in His Word—lays such stress on character development. If we are to rule with Christ, we must begin to think and act like He does. That is why it is so very important and vitally necessary for us to use time wisely in this life, building character (Mat. 5:48). That is why we must study God's inspired Word constantly so that we may acquire the traits and characteristics God Himself possesses. That is why total OBEEDIENCE to God is mandatory if we are to share in the rulership of the earth under Christ.

This is what our teen-agers should be taught. This vital knowledge of God's plan for mankind is what the younger generation desperately needs, but has totally lacked. Our educators haven't known it. Our parents were not taught it.

God tells us in His Word, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6). The trouble is society has taught its "children" directly or indirectly that there is no real purpose to life. Consequently, when the child reaches maturity, being an offspring of this corrupt society, he or she will believe that there is no purpose in life, and will be attracted to a purposeless way of life to fill the empty void in every human's mind.

But where society has failed, God will not. He is soon going to intervene in world affairs to stop world suicide. He will set up His Kingdom. Then He will reveal His great purpose to all mankind. The whole world will be taught God's true way of life and the purpose for our existence (Micaiah 4:1-2). There won't be any more wars. Think of it!

But now God calls only a few—the "firstfruits" (Jas. 1:18)—and gives us this wonderful opportunity, so that we might now develop our talents and grow in wisdom and character. Then we can later help the teeming millions—including the best generation—now living in ignorance of God's plan.

All whom God will use to teach the rest of the world His way of life are described in Daniel 12:3, "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

What glorious splendour! What marvelous purpose God has in store for us.

Will you be there?

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The "END of the WORLD"

Nazis again! Exciting firsthand encounters with a German war criminal, plus new evidence of Hitler's hideaway — all this combined with the unusual geography of southernmost South America, the "end of the world"— to make an unforgettable report.

by Charles V. Dorothy

Just four hours to the end of the world!

But our multi-engine jet did not take us to the end of the world.

Here we are at the Straits of Magellan—four spectacular flying hours south of Chile's capital, Santiago. We've reached the city of Punta Arenas—world's southernmost metropolis. Still we must go further south to see the "end."

So further south it is!

Being a pilot of sorts, I take control of our twin-engine Beechcraft heading southeast over the Straits of Magellan. My wife enthusiastically snaps pictures of the
Barren mass of islands and fjords dead ahead: Tierra del Fuego, "land of fire."

One hundred miles off our right wing are the Diego Ramirez Islands—as far as you can go in South America. Surprisingly, this gigantic continent does not end with "Continental" land but with "offshore islands"—either Cape Horn or Diego Ramirez (depending on which geographer you pick!).

Where Is the End?

Next step south (below the Ramirez Islands) is ice-bound Antarctica. This wind-swept, bitterly cold southern ice cap has a few scientific outposts: Russian, American, Argentinian, Chilean, etc.; each bravely struggling for survival, each patriotically trying to establish ownership for its own nation. These thoughts raced through my mind as the drone of powerful engines pulled us over icy-blue waters of the Straits below.

The thrill of piloting a Beechcraft over the "end" of the world is marred by the thought of missing Antarctica—the largest conglomeration of snow and ice on the entire globe. Although our travel agent, Nicolas Mladinic, did a fine (and friendly) job of getting Magellan Air Taxi (Tama) to take us across the Straits, he could not get us to Cape Horn or Antarctica. The weather there was threatening. And if anything goes wrong with an airplane in that forsaken area, it is the end.

But there is nothing disappointing about seeing Tierra del Fuego. Here three tribes of Indians—the Onas, the Tehuelches, the Yaguns, now almost extinct—struggle for survival. Here are miles of true "wilderness." Here oil bubbles from the ground in natural artesian springs!

After a fascinating visit to Cerro Sombrero (Hat Hill)—a brand-new oil town on the Chilean half of Tierra del Fuego—we returned to Punta Arenas. Punta Arenas—jokingly referred to as the "end of the world"—is not the world's most southern "inhabited" spot. Leave that honor to the "Fuegians," or to the outposts and penguins in Antarctica. But Punta Arenas is actually the world's southernmost city of large size: 60,000 people! If not the end of the world, Punta Arenas heads up a vast area of activity, commerce, tourism, and unbelievable contrasts.

Believe It or Not

Of all things you do not expect to find at the end of the world, probably a big city and big business top the list. But city and big business it is!

Here are ten million sheep, millions of barrels of oil, large European and Latin business firms, a luxury hotel, an international airport, rapidly growing tourism, etc., etc., etc.

Business and banking (the Bank of London is here!) centers around ENAP. ENAP, abbreviation for National Petroleum Enterprise, is a dynamic government-run oil manufacturer, doing everything from conducting free tours to building cities—cities such as Cerro Sombrero which we visited.

If the tourist trade is not yet big business, it soon will be. Why tourism? The startling opposites: the unspoiled beauty and wildlife, the unexpected surprises of this forgotten but not forsaken land are great tourist attractions.

A few examples from this land of 18-hour summer sun will show what I mean. Existing side by side are snow and desert; high mountain crags rising suddenly out of sea-level plains; a famous ski resort within five miles of the Bank of London; treeless wastes surrounding a rain forest; first-class hotels that worldwide travel agencies (I won't mention names) don't even know exist; strong English and European societies buried in a Latin context. Punta Arenas is a veritable "Little Europe": Mr. Mladinic is Yugoslavian; our hotel operators, German; our first native Punta Arenian friend Mr. Friedli, said in very proper British: "Cheerio!

At the Friedli's we had our first British tea in a "flat" (apartment). Yet this is the bottom of South America!

At last, the end was coming. Since there are no roads or railroads out of Punta Arenas to any major point, we must leave by airplane. But for a time, we wondered if we would make it.
Weather hazards were cancelling flights. Would people with high priorities taking seats on our flight cause us to be left behind?

To our great relief the plane finally arrived, and there was room! Under dark and dismal skies we finally crowded our way on the only plane out of the end of the world in more than a week...we were off!

Entering Argentina from the bottom of the world, and slowly picking our way up the wild, barren coast of Santa Cruz and Rivadavia in "milkrun" and cargo planes proved to be—as Mr. Warrell, our Texas travel agent, said—"an unforgettable experience."

**Rare Experiences**

Reflecting on our daring (so we were told) and exciting trip, we saw clearly God was blessing us—even beyond expectations. What rare experiences!

Imagine "bumping into" a Princeton investigator who was gathering precise information on exactly what we were looking for in Central America—the Central American Common Market! That was Managua, Nicaragua.

Imagine flying in a non-pressurized cabin over 20,000 feet high (with passengers sucking oxygen from rubber tubes), and plunging out of sight into thick cloud cover, only to break out in a narrow pass in the Andes—we were thankful for radar! Trouble was—we found out later—the plane had no radar! That was Cuzco, Peru.

Imagine meeting two presidents—Frei of Chile and Belaunde of Peru—simultaneously—by "accident"! That was Lima, Peru.

My wife and I laugh over the Lima episode. In less than two hours I was embroiled in a near riot, got within arm’s reach of two presidents (the first national presidents I had ever seen), was unwittingly involved in a dispute that rocked the capital of the nation! And next morning I made the front and second pages of the Lima newspapers!

This is what happened. After taking twelve shots (camera shots!) of the two presidents reviewing Peruvian troops (except for crack commandos who were headed for Andean back country to flush out Castro-inspired Communists), I stepped into a dark unfinished wing of the airport to change my film. Returning to the light, I saw the tail end of what reporters called "police brutality." That is, I saw some minor scuffles: reporters trying to crash guard lines in hopes of better shots of the two presidents. A couple of cameras had been smashed; one reporter had been thumped soundly on the head with a night stick.

After the confusion died down, reporters formed a long line somewhat apart from the presidents’ intended path of exit. Try as I might, I could not get any reporter to tell me why they were standing in line. With nothing else to do, I struck up friendly conversations with the various reporters along the line, waiting for the presidents.

The presidents delayed much longer than expected.

Next morning the Lima Expreso revealed the reporters had been striking—staunchly refusing to interview the Chilean leader—in protest against "police intervention and brutality." There I was pictured with the protestors, "big as life." I had been a "striker" without knowing it!

Another once-in-a-lifetime experience. Our "first-class" train tickets out of Peru from Cuzco did not provide seats, so for eight hours I literally stood, sat and hung on the outside platform of a railroad car, going up to over 15,000 feet in the Andean La Raya Pass, while my wife bravely sat inside on a suitcase! Imagine a railroad higher than some planes fly! This fantastic twelve-hour trip (our last four hours included seats) went through patches of forest, up over the timberline, underneath snow-capped ex-volcanoes, slashed through Quechuan Indian villages, crossed to an absolute drifting sand desert, burst into open, windy-swept tundra-like plains, and finally ended in piercing cold at the edge of the highest navigable lake in the world—Titicaca.

A slow overnight cruise steamed us across the double lakes of Titicaca-Uinamarca, and belched us out on Bolivian soil—a place we supposedly couldn’t enter due to striking tin miners. This bleak plateau leading to La Paz is already higher than most mountaintops in Europe and the U.S. Glacier-topped mountains—rising to nearly 20,000 feet—tower above this city named "Peace," the highest capital in the world. That was the Andes!

The geography of South America is gigantic, staggering, overwhelming and beautiful!

But back to the grey, dismal, foreboding and seemingly endless coast of southern Argentina.

Why a loop trip 2,500 miles out of the well-traveled tourist route? There is a real reason why we want to see what 98 percent of the tourists miss.

**German Nazis!**

Our reason for being in this forsaken end of the world was to uncover more positive evidence that Argentina really is the retreat and hideout for many escaped German criminals.

We were not disappointed in our search.

We came to this area armed with certain startling facts—thanks to researches and the splendid worldwide News Bureau of Ambassador College at Pasadena, California. You should be aware of the same facts before you find out what we discovered firsthand.

**FACT ONE.** Germany has age-old plans for the conquest of South America! Several German writers were advocating the conquest of Argentina and other parts of South America as far back as 1850! "A country of predominantly fluvial development, such as the La Plata [Argentine] region is thus most suitable to become a new Germany." (J. J. Sturz, Can and Shall a New Germany be Created and How? Berlin, 1862.) Space prohibits other similar quotes I have from the 1840’s, ’50’s and ’60’s.

"The German nation must also take possession of...the southern half of South America" (Richard Tannenberg Greater Germany—Work of the Twentieth Century, Berlin, 1911). And if you think that the Germans did not mean business, listen to this: "States from which life has disappeared such as the republics of Argentina and Brazil, as well as all those somewhat miserable little states in South America..." (Next two pages photographs—article continues, page 22)
IS HITLER ALIVE?

After World War II numerous Nazis landed at various coastal cities of Argentina. Many fled to a mountain fastness—one hundred miles north of San Carlos de Bariloche. Adolph Hitler may have been—and may be—there himself! These Nazis direct various Nazi-Type "nationalistic" groups in Argentina.
could be brought to listen to reason, by force or otherwise" (Frederich Lange in Pure Germandom, 1900; emphasis mine throughout).

FACT TWO. As far back as World War I, Germany sent many "feelers" and "plants" into South America (as well as into the U.S.) to take up roles as "solid citizens" in all walks of life. These solid citizens later greased the way for escaping Nazi war criminals after World War II. See the book The Nazi Underground in South America by H. F. Artucio, Inside Latin America by John Gunther, and Nazi Spies in America by Leon G. Turrou.

FACT THREE. Here is the most startling and convincing fact of all. A United Press International news release, as recently as May 8, 1965, revealed that many top Nazis are still living—in some cases under their real names—still protected in South America!

Among the minimum of fifty thousand Germans who migrated to South America between the years of 1925 and 1951, the following war criminals are the most outstanding, according to the UPI release.

"Walter Raiff, S.S. general who conceived and operated the mobile gas chambers used in the Jewish extermination program. He resides under his own name in Porvenir, Chile.

"Gerhard Bohne, legal advisor to the Nazi mercy-killing program (directed against crippled, elderly and undesirable persons). He resides in Buenos Aires under the name of 'Alfred Kurt Baudinger.'

"Edward Roschmann, former commandant of the Jewish ghetto at Riga, Latvia. He resides in Buenos Aires under the name of 'Freidrich Wegener.'

"Dr. Josef Mengele, chief physician at the Auschwitz concentration camp in Poland where he was known as the 'Angel of Death.' He resides in Paraguay under an assumed name.... Highly authoritative sources confirmed his presence there." (UPI Release, Buenos Aires, May 8, 1965, Jack Brannan.)

This unquestionable UPI source also admits that Martin Bormann—Hitler's chief aide and hand-picked successor—is probably in South America. The report goes on to show that Argentinean and Chilean sympathy for Nazi criminals is so strong that some of the criminals do not need to take an assumed name. Rauff, now 56, operates a fishing boat and lives alone in a hilltop house at Puerto Porvenir, Chile. Mengele lived openly in Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay for years, changing his real name only after Adolf Eichmann was captured.

FACT FOUR. Chilean-Argentine sympathy for Nazis has allowed these war criminals to develop new so-called "neo-nazi groups." I quote the same UPI report: "One of the first was the Argentine Tacnara, the secret anti-Semitic terrorist group organized in 1955 by a German Catholic priest—the Reverend Julio Meinvielle." Tacnara is now headed by Adolf Eichmann's son, Horst A. Eichmann. After mentioning the two principal Nazi groups in Chile Mr. Brannan says, "The party still maintains a training camp at Valparaiso where 6,000 members—by party count—wear Nazi uniforms, drill, practice judo, study Nazi philosophy, and have clubrooms adorned with swastika flags and pictures of Hitler." (See also Look magazine, October 23, 1962, for a good coverage of the Tacnara and the Guardia—another neo-nazi group.)

If you do not think these countries are 'sympathizers,' how about Chile's refusal to return Herr Rauff for his extermination of 97,000 Jews because, according to Chile, his crime was 'political,' not 'criminal'!

Hair-raising as those facts may be, the main attraction is Adolf Hitler himself. Though documented sources of Hitler's whereabouts are understandably hard to come by, Allied officials know Hitler's "bunker suicide" is bunk. An on-the-spot investigation—carried out by Colonel W. C. Heimlich, chief of U. S. Intelligence in Berlin—produced "no evidence of Hitler's death." Of all things, this report was confirmed by none other than Col. Gen. Nicholai F. Berzarin, Soviet Berlin Commander, who said he believed Hitler had disappeared and urged an immediate worldwide hunt for the archcriminal. Certainly Col. Gen. Berzarin would have been the first to learn of Hitler's death, had it really occurred. Allied intelligence completely debunked the Hitler suicide myth. What did happen?

Hitler escaped, probably to Argentina!

The Plain Truth does not have absolute and undeniable proof of the following report, as we do for the facts mentioned above. We indulge in no cheap sensationalism. However, we must be fair to say that evidence points very strongly to the following explanation.

It was April 30, 1945, that Hitler and Eva Braun flew out of Berlin in a Fieseler-Storch plane. They proceeded to a secret Nazi submarine base in Norway where a fully prepared U-boat—thanks to Admiral Doenitz—was already awaiting them. History brims with reports of German submarine landings all up and down the coast of Argentina, some in barren, sparsely populated Rivadavia Province—where we are now—others in populous and popular Mar del Plata.

Arriving in the seaport of Comodoro Rivadavia, we found the average "man on the street" commonly and nonchalantly admits German subs landed in Argentina. Some even admit German U-boats surfaced in their own harbor, Comodoro! But they could—or would—not tell us about the 10,000-acre hideaway reportedly located 100 miles north of San Carlos de Bariloche—a heavily guarded retreat for war criminals, and seen by London Daily Express reporter, Jack Comben.
After a unique delay (due to our twin-engine jet being literally stuck in the mud at Sarmiento) and a nerve-jolting near-crash at the next bush-pilot stop, *Esquin*, we landed at a never-never-land Shangri-La resort nestled in the edge of the Andes. This is the famous San Carlos de Bariloche!

A new highlight for our trip. We meet Karmentxu L. de Acuña and her sister, Maritxu Legoburu—two delightful Basque women from Spain, now residing in, but vacationing from, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Karmentxu and Maritxu fled Spain during the bloody days of the Spanish Civil War in the mid-thirties. Maritxu lost her fiancé to ruthless German Nazi troops who were ‘helping’ General Franco “convert” Spain to Fascism. There is no time to tell of the eventful three days we spent together, cementing a permanent friendship with these kind, free-spirited, outgoing and exuberant ladies.

But we must tell you what these two women said about Hitler: “Yes, we used to hear reports of Hitler’s being in Argentina every year! But for some reason, the reports have stopped the last two years or so.”

Could it be because the 20-year Statute of Limitations on Nazi war crimes was about to end? (May 1965 was to be the date all Nazi criminals in hiding would be freed of any guilt, or better said, free of any legal punishment.) Now that the Statute is extended five more years, who knows what will happen?

**Germany IS Here!**

Though we never did get to see Hitler in person, we did meet a high-ranking German—an ex-Nazi, if you prefer—in person!

Our last night in San Carlos we decided to eat with our two Basque friends in one of the several German restaurants in the village—El Javalí (“The Wild Pig,” owned by Herman Wolff). After the meal, I drew the large teutonic blond-headed waiter—Fritz Bochardt—aside and asked him *Wo ist die Wehrmacht?* (“Where is the German army?”). With a suspicious look, he retorted in Spanish, “Which German army? The one in West Germany?”

I wondered what other German army there was...maybe ‘the other’ was the one I was looking for in Argentina. I patiently explained what little I knew about the 10,000-acre fortified hide-out, supposedly at Paso Flores 100 miles north of here. He said, “Oh well, I wouldn’t know anything about that. If there is such a place,” he said, “surely the Argentine government knows about it.” I am sure he was telling the truth there!

He continued: “But I will tell you something,” he said. “I know there are many Germans in Argentina. I myself am an ex-member of the German battleship Graf-Spee!” I nearly fell over!

_Blasted bunker in which Adolph Hitler supposedly committed suicide. It is now known that the suicide was a hoax._

Wide World Photo

Here in this private shadowy corner of a German restaurant—where German was being freely spoken just twenty feet away in a somewhat mysterious gathering of hard-faced German Argentineans—I had come face-to-face with a crew member of Hitler’s famous ten-thousand-ton pocket battleship, which had caused so much havoc to British shipping in 1939.

Surrounded by German language, by little knots of racial Germans dotting the San Carlos airport, German-type houses and travel posters bragging up Germany, *we were glad to leave!* Our only regret was that we had not been permitted to get to Paso Flores and see the actual hideout for ourselves.

Hitler may be a question. There can be no question about the fact that Nazi WAR CRIMINALS LIVE IN, AND ARE PROTECTED BY, ARGENTINA!

What else can you think when people in Buenos Aires tell you, “Sure, Hitler is here! What better place could he come to?”

What else can you believe, when right in downtown Argentina you can see Nazi youth-groups’ headquarters!

What else can you believe, when even an Argentine-born Englishman will get red in the face arguing that it would be cruel to extradite and punish known Nazi war criminals now residing in Argentina after twenty years of living “a good life”!

The real question is, what do YOU believe?

The real question is, do you believe the facts when we report them literally from “on the scene”?

Do you believe *The Plain Truth* when we plainly expound and clarify Bible prophecy making known in advance what is soon to happen to the English-speaking world—when once again Nazi Germany, this time in a United Europe, rises?

Do you believe when you know *The Plain Truth* has been warning for 30 years, the exact events that are now taking place on the world scene and soon to take place? YOU HAD BETTER BELIEVE! And if you do not believe, you know you have been warned!

*(To be continued next issue)*
Will science succeed in landing men on the moon—and returning them safely to the earth? Here is a full-color report of how U.S. scientists propose to do it—and what God has decreed about man's intrusion into space!

by Herman L. Hoeh

The race for the moon has suddenly taken a big leap forward.

Soviet space scientists have successfully soft-landed Luna 9. It transmitted back to earth man’s first close-up photographs of the moon’s barren, cratered surface.

What does this breakthrough in space mean? Will man land on the moon and safely return by 1969, as U.S. and Soviet scientists plan?

And what about God? How far will He let atheistic communist scientists intrude into space?

God Rules Supreme

God is very much aware of what men are plotting!

God created the human mind. This created masterpiece is capable of inventing rockets to launch man into outer space. Yet God set definite limits on man.

We are earth-bound creatures. Our bodies, by themselves, are unable to survive away from earth’s atmosphere. Our life is absolutely dependent on breathing air—on eating food from earth’s soil.

In venturing to the moon man must carry these needs with him. He cannot find any air to breathe on the moon. There is no rain there to grow food. All is barren. Man’s supply line must originate in the earth. Man is indeed of the “dust of the ground.”

Why these limits placed upon the human mind?

Because man is not yet qual-
LIFTOFF, above. Huge Saturn V blasts off into space in artist's view of moon shot 1969.

North American Aviation

fied to roam the universe at will!

Not until we have learned how to discipline our minds—to bridle our human nature with its passions, its lusts, its emotions and drives—will God allow us to share dominion with Him over the universe!

A staggering goal? Indeed!

Modern science wants the goal God has to offer. But scientists purpose to achieve it their own way. They want to do it in their own time, by their own authority. Man is intent on conquering space before learning to conquer SELF!

By so doing we are plunging straight toward world annihilation! Wherever human beings go, human nature will follow them. And the greater the space over which human nature is extended, the greater the number of planets to argue over, fight over, war over!

That's why God must soon intervene in world affairs! Every leap forward man takes in the moon race plunges him that much nearer the day of reckoning. God is soon going to put a stop to man's misguided scientific genius.

WHEN to Journey Beyond

Scientists too often want to play God. They are not willing to wait to
become God—to be born sons of His in His appointed time.

Now is the time of training to rule the self, to overcome human nature. The time to develop the character of God. And the earth is the place. The universe is not the arena of training. The universe is the reward to be opened up only after having successfully completed training here!

Material, scientific knowledge is not enough. Spiritual knowledge must come first. It is the only means of controlling material knowledge and protecting man from unleashing powers that would destroy himself and the world in which he lives!

But spiritual knowledge and understanding come only through recognition that God is Creator-Ruler and Lawgiver.

Material knowledge comes naturally to man. He can understand it without acknowledging his Creator. He therefore rejects the most important knowledge, spiritual knowledge. He wants to think of himself as a god here and now, free to do his own will, free to come and go as he pleases without restraint.

Knowledge without obedience is knowledge out of control—dangerous knowledge. That is the knowledge that has led the world to the brink of total annihilation today.

The first 6000 years of human history is about up. Soon the moment will strike when human beings who have "finished the course" (II Timothy 4:7) will no longer be earth-bound creatures. They will become the very sons of God, born again not of mortal flesh, but of living spirit (John 3:3). Like newly hatched chicks bursting out of their shells, they will enter triumphantly into the new world of the sons of God. No need of rockets,
of space suits, of tracking stations!

Scientists—the few who are left—will stand in awe. They will learn the meaning of Isaiah 40:31: "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

But those who cannot wait, whose vanity of mind plunges them on in the moon race, will see their plans suddenly halted! They will be forced to acknowledge the foolishness of science without God.

Where the Space Race Will End

Most people have supposed the Bible says nothing about the space race. They couldn’t be more wrong.

Your Bible reveals exactly how far God will allow man to go in the space race—and why God will have to stop it! Read it in Deuteronomy 30. It is a prophecy for our day. It pictures the modern descendants of the lost ten tribes of the House of Israel in a national captivity. (Who they are is revealed in the astounding booklet The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy.) Begin with verse 1:

"And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee"—the terrible national calamities referred to in the previous chapter—"and thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations which the Lord thy God hath driven thee, and shalt return unto the Lord thy God, and shalt obey his voice"—we don’t want to do that today!—"... that then the Lord thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the Lord thy God hath scattered thee"—and now notice verse 4.

"If any of thine be driven out unto the utmost parts of heaven, from thence will the Lord thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee."

This verse is speaking of human beings rocketed out into the space of our planetary solar system, unable to return to earth. Destined to die of agonizing starvation unless God intervenes! Notice the official Jewish translation of this verse: "If any of thine that are dispersed be in the uttermost parts of heaven..." (Jewish Pub. Soc. trans.). See also Nehemiah 1:9.

Here is a prophecy of terrible scientific experiments. Space shots using human guinea pigs, ending in human slaughter in the vast reaches of our solar system. How would you like to be one of these victims?

Some men indeed may come back alive. But to put an end to the destruction of human life in outer space and to save man from total annihilation on earth, God will suddenly intervene in human affairs. He will send Jesus Christ to bring peace. God speed that day!
H ere are the Bible answers to questions which can be answered briefly in a short space. Send in your questions. While we cannot promise that all questions will find space for answer in this department, we shall try to answer all that are vital and in the general interest of our readers.

• "Where and when did the custom of observing Lent originate?"

R. S.

Believe it or not, Lent was observed 4000 years ago! The apostle Paul commanded the Gentile-born Christians to cease observing it! Many have supposed Lent is taught in the Bible. But they have never looked into the Bible to see what the Bible really says!

The Lenten season is a period of 40 days abstinence, beginning on "Ash Wednesday."

The word "Lent" comes from the old English word "Lencen" meaning the "spring" of the year. (Encyclopaedia Britannica.) The Lenten celebration was originally associated with the spring of the year. But today it begins in the winter!

How did this confusion originate? Here is the answer:

"As long as the perfection of the primitive church [the inspired New Testament Church] remained inviolable," wrote Cassian in the fifth century, "there was no observance of Lent; but when men began to decline from the apostolical fervour of devotion... then the priests in general agreed to recall them from secular cares by a canonical indication of fasting..." (Antiquities of the Christian Church, Book 21, chapter 1.)

Fasting, or abstinence from certain foods, was imposed after the days of the apostles—by the authority of the priests!

Lent is not of apostolic origin! It did not originate with Christ! It entered the Christianity of the Roman World in the second century. It entered at the same time that Easter did! Lent is always associated with the pagan festival of Tammuz!

Lent is mentioned in the Old Testament.

"Lent," remember, "seems to have been an indispensable preliminary to the great annual festival in commemoration of the death and resurrection of Tammuz"—the pagan Babylonian Messiah. The month of June was named in honor of the false Babylonian Messiah. Forty days preceding the feast of Tammuz (usually celebrated in June) the pagans held their Lenten season! Ezekiel describes it vividly in Ezek. 8:13-14:

"He"—the Lord—"said also unto me, 'Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations.'" Notice that God calls what Ezekiel is about to see an abomination. What does the prophet see?

"And, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz!"

They wept for Tammuz, the false Messiah of the pagans! That weeping preceded the pagan festival in honor of the supposed resurrection of Tammuz. Fasting was joined with weeping FOR A PERIOD OF FORTY DAYS before the festival in honor of Tammuz. The period of weeping and semi-fasting fell during springtime. That is why the word Lent means "spring!": Lent is a continuation of the pagan springtime custom of abstaining from certain foods just prior to celebrating a fake resurrection! And God calls LENT an ABOMINATION!

That is why Christ and the true New Testament Church never observed it! Paul forbade Christians to observe these pagan "times" or "seasons" (Gal. 4:9-10).

Surely, some will say, the people today are sincere—but so were the pagans! They didn't know better! Observe what God says He will do to those who refuse to repent of this abomination: "Is it a light thing... that they commit the abominations which they commit here?... Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice"—of course they pray to God—"yet will I not hear them!" (Ezek. 8:15-18.)

But what if Easter and Lent are ancient pagan festivals. Isn't it still all right, if we use them to honor Christ? That's the way people reason today. Let God answer that question:

Jesus Christ—the Word of God—spoke to Moses to warn the people not to follow these customs of the heathen. Here is what Jesus Christ said: "Take heed... that thou enquire not after their gods, saying: 'How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.' Thou shalt not so unto the Eternal thy God; for every abomination to the Eternal, which He hath, have they done unto their gods" (Deut. 12:30-31).

Here is what God says—it doesn't matter what we think—but it does matter what God thinks. He calls these pagan Easter and Lenten customs abominations. No wonder the apostles did not teach the early spirit-filled New Testament Church of God to observe these traditions of men!

Is it any wonder that Jeremiah was inspired to write: "Learn not the way of the heathen...for the customs of the people are vain"? (Jer. 10:2-3.)

Jesus left us an example of what we (Continued on page 32)
WHY CELEBRATE EASTER?

Does Easter Sunday really commemorate the resurrection of Christ? Where, in the Bible, are Christians commanded to keep Easter? We strip bare the FACTS of history in this article!

by Eugene M. Walter

On one Sunday morning each spring, a strange and bewildering phenomenon takes place in cities, towns and countrysides around the world. Instead of sleeping late as usual, many thousands are going to get up early on this day—very early. They must be at their destination well before sunrise.

The occasion? A game of golf? A fishing trip? No, not on this particular morning.

It's Easter—but Why?

Instead, they will meet with friends and, of all things, watch the sun rise! And as if this were not strange enough, this is all part of a religious service!

On this very same day, millions of others will be preparing to do something unusual, too. This will be one of the two or three times during the year when they will darken the door of a church! Or perhaps it would be better to say decorate the door of a church, for they will have purchased fashionable new clothes especially for the occasion.

Some, because their forty days of partial abstinence called "Lent" will be over, will once again freely indulge themselves. Others anticipate a family reunion, a big ham dinner or, perhaps, a fashion show or a parade.

And the children? They are absolutely delighted with the chocolate rabbits, the colored eggs, and the prospect of exciting egg-hunting and egg-rolling games on the lawn!

This is Easter—one of the big holidays of the Western year!

But what is its purpose? What is it supposed to commemorate? And why all these incongruous activities? Why watch the sun rise on this day? Why purchase new clothes for it? Why eat ham for dinner?

Why rabbits? Why not a puppy or a kitten? They can lay just as many eggs as a rabbit. But then, why eggs? Wouldn't oranges or onions roll just as well?

To a world steeped in tradition, these customs seem normal. But when you stop to think about it, what real sense do the activities of this day we call Easter make anyway?

And why is Easter observed on a Sunday? Why not on a Tuesday, Thursday or Monday?

To this question many will immediately reply that Sunday was the day on which Christ rose from the dead and that His resurrection is the very reason for observing Easter.

But is it?

Was Christ resurrected on a Sunday? Are you sure? Have you ever proved it from the Bible?

And what has the Easter rabbit to do with Christ's resurrection?

When Was Christ Resurrected?

Shocking though it may be, either the "Good Friday-Easter Sunday" tradition is a fable—or you have no Saviour! Jesus gave only one sign to prove that He was the Messiah. That sign was the length of time He would be dead and buried.

Notice Jesus' own words concerning this only sign that would prove His Messiahship:

"An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth" (Mat. 12:39-40).

Did Christ mean what He said? Did He really expect to be buried in theearth for three days and three nights—a full 72 hours?

Notice Mark 8:31: "And He began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again."

Did you grasp that? Jesus did not say "after a day and a half." He said "after three days."

Now consider! If Jesus were crucified and buried late on "Good Friday," then one day after would be Saturday evening, and two days after would be Sunday evening, and three days after would be Monday evening.

But Jesus rose long before Monday evening! Either He was not crucified on "Good Friday," or He did not fulfill His sign and He is therefore an impostor and not the Messiah!

Did Jesus fulfill His sign? In Matthew 28:6 we read this testimony of the angel at the tomb: "He [Jesus] is not here: for He is risen as He said!" Jesus did fulfill His sign! He is the Saviour! Then He could not have been crucified on "Good Friday!"

What Day was the Crucifixion?

Jesus was buried shortly before sunset on the day of the crucifixion (Luke 23:53-54). Since Jesus said that He would "rise the third day" after His crucifixion, it is obvious that the resurrection must have occurred precisely at the completion of the third day following His burial. That moment would be near sunset three days later.

When the women came to the tomb early Sunday morning, Jesus was already risen! The angel said, "He is risen: he is not here" (Mark 16:6). He was not at the sepulcher Sunday morning. Therefore Jesus could not have risen later than near sunset Saturday afternoon—three days after His burial.

Three days before Saturday would
place the crucifixion on Wednesday! That Wednesday was a preparation day—a preparation day for what? For the annual Feast of Unleavened Bread. The first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread is always an annual sabbath. So Thursday that year was an annual sabbath.

So that we would know that that sabbath which followed the crucifixion was not the weekly sabbath, John was inspired to call it a "high day" (John 19:31). According to Jewish usage this expression means an annual sabbath or holy day which may occur any day during the week.

Now look at your Bible again.

Mark picks up John's account by adding that after that sabbath—the high day of the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread—the women bought sweet spices to use in anointing the body of Jesus (Mark 16:1). This purchasing of the spices could not have been on Thursday, the annual sabbath. It had to be on the following day, Friday.

Having made their purchases and prepared these ointments on Friday, the women then "rested the sabbath day according to the commandment" (Luke 23:56). This was a different day—the weekly sabbath, the seventh day of the week. Upon that day—near its close Jesus was raised from the dead exactly three days and three nights after he was buried in the tomb.

Could anything be plainer?

Your Bible proves that the resurrection was not on Sunday. The crucifixion was not on Friday. Rather, Christ was crucified near sunset on Wednesday and was resurrected near sunset on Saturday, three days and three nights later. (This is all explained in much greater detail in the booklet, *The Resurrection was Not on Sunday* and the article, "The Crucifixion was not on Friday." Write for them. Both are free.)

But then where did the "Good Friday-Easter Sunday" tradition come from? How did it find its way into the professing Christian Church? Why is it observed throughout the entire Western world today?

**Where Easter Came From**

Believe it or not, Easter was observed thousands of years before the time of Christ and the beginning of the Christian era!

"Easter" is merely the slightly changed English spelling of the name of the ancient Assyrian goddess, Ishtar. It was pronounced by the Assyrians exactly as we pronounce "Easter" today.

Hislop says in *The Two Babylons* that Easter "bears its Chaldean origin on its very forehead. Easter is nothing else than Astarte, one of the titles of Beltis, the 'queen of heaven,' whose name, as pronounced by the people of Nineveh, was evidently identical with that now in common use in this country" (p. 103).

In the Bible, God condemns the worship of Astarte, the "Queen of Heaven," as the most abominable of all pagan idolatries. In connection with the Easter celebration, God specifically condemns sunrise services (Ezek. 8:13-18) and the making of "hot cross buns" (Jer. 7:18-20; 44:19).

How did this pagan celebration ever become one of the two most important holidays of the professing Christian Church?

**Easter a Counterfeit of God's Passover**

Now read the facts for yourself. The *Encyclopedia Britannica*, Eleventh Edition, article "Easter," says: "There is no indication of the observance of the Easter festival in the New Testament or in the writings of the Apostolic Fathers... The first Christians [the original true Church of Jesus and the apostles] continued to observe the Jewish [that is God's] festivals, though in a new spirit, as commemorations of events which those festivals had foreshadowed. Thus the Passover, with a new conception added to it, of Christ as the true Paschal Lamb and the first fruits from the dead, continued to be observed."

Of course! The Passover and all of God's Holy Days were ordained by God to picture God's plan of salvation.


These Scriptures prove that the New Testament Church continued to observe the days God made holy, including the Passover, long after Christ had ascended into heaven.

Hislop states, "The festival, of which we read in church history, under the name of Easter, in the third and fourth centuries... at that time was not known by any such name as Easter. It was called Passover... That festival agreed originally with the time of the Jewish Passover, when Christ was crucified... That festival was not idolatrous, and was preceded by no Lent" (p. 104).

God's Passover pictured Christ's death.

Contrast this with Easter. It falsely claims to commemorate Christ's resurrection—not His death.

*When* did this clever counterfeit creep into the professing Christian Church?

**How a Pagan Easter Became "Christian"**

Easter was a pagan festival long before Christianity and the New Testament Church ever existed. It anciently commemorates the Friday death and supposed Sunday resurrection of Nimrod, the false pagan saviour!

In the great apostasy which swept through the New Testament world in the latter part of the First Century, this pagan "Good Friday-Easter Sunday" tradition was falsely applied to the death and resurrection of the true Saviour, Jesus Christ. It was made to appear "Christian."

This teaching became especially popular in the area around Rome. But in Asia Minor, where the apostle Paul had established churches, the New Testament Passover continued to be observed on Nisan 14.

The *Britannica*, article "Easter," states: "Generally speaking, the Western Churches [Catholic] kept Easter on the first day of the week, while the..."
Eastern Churches [containing most of those who remained as part of the TRUE Christian Church] followed the Jewish rule [observing Passover on 14 Nisan, the first month of the Sacred Hebrew Calendar]."

This difference soon led to serious controversy. Gradually the Greek and Asian Churches began to succumb to the pagan tradition. This same article in Britannica states: "Polycarp, the disciple of John the Evangelist, and bishop of Smyrna, visited Rome in 159 to confer with Anicetus, the bishop of that See, on the subject, and urged the tradition which he had received from the apostle of observing the 14th day. Anicetus, however, declined.

The story doesn't end here! "About forty years later [A.D. 197] the question was discussed in a very different spirit between Victor, bishop of Rome, and Polycrates, metropolitan of proconsular Asia [the territory of the churches established by the apostle Paul]. That province was the only portion of Christendom which still adhered to the Jewish [the writer should have said "true Christian"] usage. Victor demanded that all should adopt the usage prevailing at Rome. This Polycrates firmly refused to agree to, and urged many weighty reasons to the contrary, whereupon Victor proceeded to excommunicate Polycrates and the Christians who continued the Eastern usage [that is, God's way]. He was, however, restrained [by other bishops] from actually proceeding to enforce the decree of excommunication ... and the Asiatic Churches retained their usage unmolested. We find the Jewish [the true Christian] usage from time to time reasserting itself after this, but it never prevailed to any large extent."

It did, however, crop up from time to time as an irksome and annoying issue that caused disunity in the professing Christian Church. When the pagan Roman Emperor Constantine convoked the Council of Nicea in 325 A.D. he ordered the bishops to settle the matter once and for all. It was one of the two big issues of the Council.

Council Confirms Roman Usage

At the time of the Nican Council, the Syrians and the Antiochenes were the only defenders of the observance of the 14th day. They stood little chance!

"The decision of the council was unanimous that Easter was to be kept on Sunday, and on the same Sunday throughout the world, and that 'none hereafter should follow the blindness of the Jews'" (Ibid.).

In the spiritually darkened minds of those at the Council, anything that was Biblical — anything that God commanded — was "Jewish."

The bishops at Nicea so abhorred anything they thought to be Jewish that they "decided that Easter Day should always be on a Sunday, but never at the same time as the feast of the Jews. If the 14th Nisan fell on a Sunday, Easter Day was transferred to the following Sunday" (Burns, The Council of Nicea, p. 46).

"For how," explains Constantine — "could we who are Christians possibly keep the same day as those wicked Jews?" (Arian Controversy, Gwatkin, p. 38.)

So strong was the anti-Jewish feeling that pork or ham—an abomination to the Jews—was deliberately eaten on Easter to show utter contempt for anything "Jewish." In this case the "Jewish" way also happened to be God's way as revealed in the Bible. (Write for the free article, "Is All Animal Flesh Good for Food?"

Thus the Nican Council—regarded by the world as one of the great milestones of Christianity—condemned observance of the New Testament Passover, one of God's most sacred memorials, without even looking into the Bible! And by "violence and bloodshed"—as history shows (Hislop, p. 107)—the observance of the pagan Easter was enforced in its place.

Does it Make Any Difference?

But some will say, "Yes, I know that Easter has a pagan origin, and I can plainly see that Christ was not resurrected on a Sunday. But as long as we keep Easter in a Christian spirit as a kind of remembrance of Christ's resurrection, what difference does it make?"

The answer to this question depends purely and simply on whether or not God exists. If there is no God, then, of course, it makes absolutely no difference whatsoever.

But if there is a Living God in Heaven—and you can absolutely PROVE that there is (see our article "Seven Proofs That God Exists")—and if that God says it makes a difference to Him, then it had better make a difference to you, too!

There is not a single word in the Bible telling us to observe Easter. Instead, God thunders, "LEARN NOT the way of the heathen" (Jer. 10:2). And any encyclopedia will tell you that Easter is a pagan festival, long antedating Christianity. More detailed proof is available in our surprising free booklet, Easter Is Pagan!

Are you going to obey God?

Short Questions

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ought to do—and that example is not Easter or Lent!

"You goofed on 16th Century history by saying Christmas was restored in 1554 by Mary, Queen of Scots! (Short Questions, January issue.)"

"You are obviously referring to Mary Tudor, daughter of Henry VIII and Catherine of Aragon, who reigned from 1553 to 1558 and earned the nickname 'Bloody Mary' because of her persecution of non-Catholics."

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Our apologies for copyreader's error. Mary Tudor is right. She deserves the infamous title, "Bloody Mary," and it was her zeal which reinstated the pagan custom of Christmas and New Year's observance after a twelve-year interregnum.

To set readers straight, we quote the Protestant Dictionary, page 209:

"Mary (1533-1558), aided by a sympathetic episcopate, and by a House of Commons secured to her side, repealed all Edward's doctrinal reforms in one week (1553), all Henry's constitutional in another (1554), but when she sought to eradicate the Scripture doctrine by the stake' (religious persecution) 'she brought upon herself the condemnation of history and the appellation, 'Bloody Mary.'"
Saul was very unhappy. He had lately felt a great emptiness, as though the future held only disappointment for him. Nothing pleased him. A distrust of his friends and acquaintances grew in his restless mind. He kept remembering Samuel’s remark about God rejecting him as king of Israel, and that made him more depressed. (I Samuel 16:14.)

David Meets King Saul

Saul didn’t fully realize that God had withdrawn from him that wonderful peace and soundness of mind that God imparts to people who humbly and earnestly seek their Creator’s mercy and help, and who obey His laws. Such pursuits had been Saul’s in his early years as king. But later disobedience changed his character. As a result God had not only deprived him of a peaceful state of mind, but had allowed an evil spirit to trouble and disrupt his way of thinking.

Saul’s servants were so concerned over their master’s behavior that they diplomatically suggested that he use music to bring him out of his periods of depression.

"Perhaps if good music were available when you’re not feeling well," some of the servants told Saul, "it might work wonders for you. Harp music can be very melodic and soothing. Would you like us to find a good harpist for you?" (I Samuel 16:15-16.)

"Suit yourself!" Saul growled. "I’ll try anything to relieve me when I feel worst—and that’s when I feel as though invisible hands are wrapped around my neck and trying to choke me!"
The servants were startled at this disclosure. It was something Saul hadn't told them about before. They decided that something should be done as soon as possible.

"I know of a young lad who plays the harp exceptionally well," one servant spoke up. "I heard him perform at Bethlehem, and happened to overhear that he is the son of Jesse, a livestock grower whose land borders the city. This youngster is a shepherder who has become adept as a musician because he carries his harp with him, and spends much of his time playing as he watches his flock. He is also valiant, handsome and intelligent, and a fine soldier because of his ability to protect his flock from wild animals by unusually skillful use of a sling (I Samuel 16:17-18).

"Don't waste time by running on any more about this fellow!" Saul commanded impatiently. "Just find him and bring him back with you!"

Saul's servants later confronted Jesse to tell him that Saul wanted David to go back with them to Gibeah to play his harp for him. David's father was troubled. He realized that his youngest son, having been named the next king of Israel, could run into great difficulty with Saul, who didn't want to give up being king. On the other hand, there might be trouble if he refused to let David go with Saul's men. Much as he disliked doing it, Jesse sent for David to come in from the pastures.

When David heard why Saul's servants were in his father's home, he obediently agreed to go with them willingly. Jesse loaded a burro with provisions of wine and bread, and sent a young goat to Saul as a gift. (I Samuel 16:19-20.)

Saul saw David coming into his residence. He was a little surprised to learn that he was yet in his teens. He had expected an older person. After he had talked to him a while, he was gratified by the lad's alertness and friendliness.

"You are my guest here," he told David. "My servants will show you where you're to stay, so that you may refresh yourself. I might call for you at any time, night or day. When I do, be prepared to play your harp for me."

Saul Trains His Successor

It was only a few hours later that a servant came to David's quarters to tell him that Saul wanted to see him right away. When the young man was brought to Saul, he saw that Saul was having trouble breathing, and looked very uncomfortable as he sat stiffly in his chair.

"Play your harp!" Saul muttered. "If your music can give me any relief, I need it now!"
David began strumming his harp. It was a light, easily handled instrument fashioned somewhat like a lyre. Everyone in the room was pleased with the soothing music of the skillfully fingered strings. After a few minutes Saul started to relax and stretch out comfortably in his chair.

David continued playing for quite a while, carefully confining his performance to the kind that would be restfully cheerful. Finally Saul stood up. David assumed that this meant that he should stop playing.

"Your music has caused me to feel much better," Saul smilingly told David. "Now I shall be able to sleep. Do whatever you want to do, but be close at hand if I should need you again."

During the next few days David was sent for several times, whenever Saul's miserable malady recurred. Happily for Saul, his trouble gradually went away every time David played for him.

"You have been a great help to me," Saul told David. "I wish you could stay with me for a long time, but if the Philistines stir up another war, I'll have to leave here and suffer through my ill spells without your music."

"Why couldn't I join your army and go with you?" David asked.

"My soldiers must be older men who are experienced in battle," Saul replied. "You are a fine musician—not a trained fighter."

"Why couldn't I go along as your armor-bearer?" David eagerly inquired. "If you think I would be afraid when the enemy approaches, I promise to always hand you your armor before I start running."

"A great idea!" Saul laughed. "From now on you're my official armor-bearer!"

Saul had developed such a need and liking for the boy that he sent a message to David's father. He requested that David stay indefinitely with Saul. Jesse preferred that his son return home, but he agreed to Saul's wishes. He would have agreed more willingly if he could have known that it was God's plan to keep David for a time where he could learn directly from King Saul something of the government of Israel. It was an odd circumstance that the real king of Israel (in God's eyes) was serving the one who was actually no longer king, but who still considered himself as such. (I Samuel 16:21-23.)

In the weeks that followed, there was no cause for the army of Israel to go into battle. David's function as Saul's armor-bearer was carried out only in army training maneuvers. But David learned much during this military practice. Saul's mental and physical condition improved so much that David was seldom called on to play. Saul more or less forgot about David. Realizing that his use to Saul had greatly diminished, David asked to return to his family. The officer in
charge let him go with the understanding that David should return any time Saul should send for him.

David's First Big Test

David was glad to return home and his family was happy to have him back. David went back to herding sheep, and months went by without any word from Saul. (I Samuel 17:15.) In fact, Saul never again sent for David, who spent the next several months in the wilderness watching over his father's growing flock of sheep. Meanwhile, he spent much time thinking about Israel's welfare, and about what could be done to improve it. His stay with Saul had made him very conscious of his nation's government, just as God had planned.

As time went by, his skill with his harp increased. So did his ability with his sling. Any animals that tried to attack his sheep almost always lost their lives by well-aimed stones that were catapulted out of David's sling with almost the speed of a bullet.

On at least two occasions the young shepherd came close to losing his life for his sheep.

At one time a lion leaped from behind nearby rocks to seize between its teeth...
When David saw a lion about to leap on one of his lambs, he risked his life by rushing in to attack the ferocious animal.

a lamb that had strayed away a short distance. The lions of that land weren't as large and powerful as mature African lions. But they could easily kill a person with one ferocious thrust of a clawed paw, and David knew it. Nevertheless, he leaped after the lion as it tried to scramble over steep boulders. David fiercely struck the beast on its spine with the staff he carried at all times. The dazed animal dropped the lamb and stumbled to the ground. The young shepherd seized the lion by its long chin hair and snapped its head backward with such force that its neck was broken.

At another time a bear dashed into the startled flock to snatch up a lamb. When the bear saw David rushing toward him with upraised staff, it dropped the lamb and came growling to meet him. A swift blow of the staff across a delicate nose sent the bear on its back, howling with pain. David moved in quickly for the kill, while the animal was still flustered. Within a few minutes the bear was dead. (I Samuel 17:34-35.)

Not long after David had grown out of his teens, the Philistine army moved against Israel in the greatest number since the battle at Michmash a few years previously. Saul was informed of what was happening, and gathered his troops to confront the enemy at a lofty point a few miles west of Bethlehem. The Philistine army, having arrived from the west, set up camp at another high area not far from the Israelites. All that separated them was a rather narrow valley dotted with a few trees. (I Samuel 17:1-3.)
For several days neither side took any action except to keep their spies busy. Then one morning two men came down from the Philistine camp and boldly crossed the valley till they were near the slopes leading up to the Israelite camp.

When the Israelites saw the men coming, they wondered at their difference in height. One seemed to be nothing more than a boy, but when the two came closer, it could be seen that the smaller one was a powerful man over six feet tall, and that the other towered about twice as high!

**Goliath Bluffs Israel’s Army!**

This giant’s head was encased in a huge brass helmet that resembled a caldron. His coat of mail weighed more than a hundred and fifty pounds. Heavy brass semi-cylinders enclosed his lower legs, and a wide brass plate protected his chest. His entire armor weighed about three hundred pounds, but it wasn’t too much of a burden for him, inasmuch as his weight must have been close to five times as much as that of his armor. Added to all this were a large sword and spear. The spear shaft was like a pole, and the head on it was of sharpened iron weighing more than
eighteen pounds. The armored man with the giant walked a few feet ahead with a large shield. It was his task to protect the larger man from arrows, stones and spears. (I Samuel 17:4-7.)

“I am Goliath, a Philistine from the city of Gath!” the giant shouted to the Israelites in a powerful, hoarse voice that echoed from one side of the valley to the other. “I have come with a plan to make this war a simple and quick one! Instead of our two armies clashing with a loss of many lives, why not settle matters by using just one man for each side? I’ll fight Saul or any man who is sent down to me! If he is able to kill me, the Philistine army will surrender to you, but if I kill him, we expect you to surrender to us! Who can say that this plan isn’t fair?”

Saul and his officers, who had been anxiously watching and listening, glanced at each other in dismay. Here was a miserable situation that surely wasn’t fair to the Israelites. It was embarrassing to Saul, who knew he was no match for the giant, although Israel’s leader was a very tall, strong and skillful soldier. There was no one else among Saul’s troops who could possibly stand up to the challenger. (I Samuel 17:8-11.)

It would have been easy for the Israelites to storm down the slopes and do away with Goliath by surrounding and attacking him, but such action would bring the Philistine army charging down into the valley. The Israelites were ready to defend their country in the event of an attack. But they didn’t intend to provoke a battle that might mean their defeat.

“Is the mighty Saul afraid of me?” roared Goliath, after he had stood waiting for a few minutes. “Or is he busy combing his ranks for one who will fight for him? I’ll come back later to meet the man who has the courage to stand up to me!”

Saul glumly watched the giant stomp back across the valley with his shield-bearer. “We’ll just have to wait and see what happens,” he muttered to his discouraged officers.

They didn’t have to wait long. Late that afternoon Goliath and his man returned from the enemy camp to a point below the Israelite tents.

“Is the great king of Israel ready to fight me yet?” the giant bellowed. “Or has he fled across the Jordan river by now?”

Saul Is Bewildered

There was agonizing silence from Saul and his men as the laughing Goliath lumbered back to his camp. Next morning, to their continued dismay, he was back again with his shield-bearer to taunt his enemies. He returned in the afternoon, and again the following morning. This kept up day after day. (I Samuel 17:16.)
Every time it happened Saul became more disturbed. More than once he was driven to the brink of commanding his men to charge the obnoxious Goliath. But he was restrained at the last moment by the sobering judgment that a furious and bloody battle would result. On the other hand, it was unthinkable that this ridiculous challenge should go on and on. Saul was trapped between two unfavorable choices.

Meanwhile, David had continued the peaceful pursuit of herding sheep. His three oldest brothers were in Saul’s army, and inasmuch as the camping troops depended to some extent on food from their families, David’s father prepared to send some special provisions to his sons. (I Samuel 17:12-14.)

"I’m sending you to the army camp with some things for your brothers and to see how they are faring," Jesse told David when he came home that evening. "I’ll hire a neighbor to take care of your flock tomorrow. If you get started very early, you can make the fifteen miles to the camp before the day becomes too warm for the food you’ll be carrying."

Next morning before sunrise David set out with a burro loaded with a bushel of roasted grain, ten large flat loaves of bread and ten tasty cheeses. The sun wasn’t very high in the sky when he arrived at the Israelite camp to present the provisions to the man in charge of kitchen supplies. (I Samuel 17:17-20.)

David came to the camp at a time when the soldiers were shouting battle cries and singing songs that were meant to inspire them to battle and impress the enemy.
There wasn't much, however, to look forward to except another day of waiting for the Philistines to make a move. David moved among the noisy troops until he found his three brothers, who were happy to see him.

After visiting for a while, it seemed to David that his brothers weren't too anxious for him to stay very long. They kept suggesting that he get started back early so that he could reach home before dark. (I Samuel 17:21-22.)

Suddenly the battle songs of the Israelites ceased. Word was spreading that Goliath was approaching again; this time for the fortieth day. David's brothers tried to hustle him out of the camp, but the young man refused to leave after he had caught sight of the giant and his shield-bearer coming across the valley. David could hardly believe his ears and eyes when Goliath challenged the Israelites and added his usual insults. He was dismayed to see some of the men furtively moving back from their front line positions because they obviously feared that the giant might suddenly hurl the massive spear he balanced on his shoulder.

On making inquiries, David learned that this had been going on for weeks, and that Saul had offered various rewards to Goliath's slayer, including money, jewels, cattle, freedom from taxes and army duty—and his daughter. (I Samuel 17:23-25.)

"Why should anyone need a reward as a reason to do away with this infidel who has defied the army of our God?" David shouted to those about him.

Embarrassed at David's conduct, Eliab, his oldest brother, accused him of coming just to see a battle, and told him to go back home to his sheep. As David was answering him, soldiers came to escort the shepherd to Saul, who had been informed that a civilian was trying to stir up his troops. Saul failed to recognize him as the lad who had played a harp for him in the past. (I Samuel 17:26-32.)

"Why are you troubling my men with your opinions?" Saul asked.

"Because everyone is afraid of that boastful giant," David answered. "But there's no more reason for fear. I'll go down and fight him now!"

(To be continued next issue)

What our Readers Say

I suppose this is because so many of the ideas are new to me, even though I had considered myself a Christian. I must say I have never felt such an inner struggle before. I am so glad I requested your literature and am eager to get more."

Mrs. Jean S., Cincinnati, Ohio

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"I listen daily to your program transmitted in Austin, Texas, from 5:30 to 6:00 a.m. Mr. Armstrong, who are you people? Why do you do these wonderful things?"

Alvan G. C., Austin, Texas

"Christ commissioned us to do "these wonderful things." And God's Way is wonderful."

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Mrs. E. D. D., Sussex, England
WHAT IS DEATH?

just what IS Death? IS there a Resurrection? Do the DEAD know what the LIVING are doing? IS SUICIDE unforgivable? Where will you meet loved ones again? WHY does God allow CHRISTIANS to die? Does death ever come as PUNISHMENT? What if one dies being UNconverted? Is he lost forever? Here is what GOD ALMIGHTY answers, from His inspired Word.

by Garner Ted Armstrong

A LONESOME man wrote us recently, "Since writing to you, I am sad to say my dear wife passed away in a coma... My dear wife suffered very much before she passed away... how I miss her. I feel all broken up and terribly frustrated. Where is her soul? Does she remember what happened?"

Questions, Fear, Worry—But No Answers!

For centuries human beings have wondered about death. Philosophers, educators, religious figures, psychologists have all tried to make sense out of it—to comprehend death—to look beyond the short span of human life.

All have failed. Most people remain fearful, apprehensive, ignorant about death today! Just what happens at death? What about the soul? What about an after life? A Resurrection? Meeting loved ones again?

No amount of philosophizing can bring a loved one back again. Death is final—and so it scares most living persons. But what is death?

There is only one source that can give you the exact answers! That source is the revealed Word of your Creator who gives you LIFE. In His Holy Word, God explains the answers to all questions about death! It's time you knew the truth about this most important subject—"You were set free from fear, from sorrow, from worry!"

What IS LIFE?

You are alive. But what makes you so? Shocking though it seems, religious figures and philosophers alike seem ignorant of what we are—of what is life?

God Almighty made life! To this day, science does not understand what life is—still seeks to explain how it began! But apart from the revelation of God, there are no answers to this perplexing question. Here's what your Creator says about it.

God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth" (Gen. 1:26).

And then God said to the man He had made, "Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou [he man, the conscious man, the 'psyche'—not just the body] return!"

God explained to Adam that his life was temporary if he sinned. He showed human life is only a physical, chemical existence—subject to death! "Unto dust shalt thou return!"

God created the process by which life is procreated. He "made them male and female" and said, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth!" (Gen. 1:26-27.) All about you can be observed myriad forms of life. Each form, whether tiny micro-organisms or huge land mammals, is dependent on other forms of life for its own existence. Nothing lives or dies to itself—but each type of life in some way aids, provides for, or balances the environment of each other type.

Shocking as it seems, the life of man is no different from the life of animals! Man's mind sets him far above animals—but man's physical, chemical existence, his life, is the same!

He must breathe air, eat food, drink water. God says, "For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity" (Eccl. 3:19).

And how fragile, how temporary, is the life of man!

James asked, "For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away" (James 4:14). David was inspired to write, "Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever, and
their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names. Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish...

David shows there is no consciousness in the grave. "Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help. His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish" (Ps. 146:3-4).

Life is a physical, chemical existence—a temporary one—entirely dependent on air, water, food and shelter! We are earthlings—of the earth and destined to go back to the earth!

Cut off our air, and we die in only minutes. Cut off our water, and we die of thirst in a number of days. Cut off our food, and we starve in a number of days or weeks. We're physical creatures. Astronauts must take a little portion of this earth's environment with them out in airless space. They must continue to breathe, to drink water, to eat various dehydrated and condensed foods.

Our life, says your Creator, is in the bloodstream—kept alive by AIR, WATER, FOOD! "For the life of the flesh is in the blood... For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof..." (Lev. 17:11-14).

Christ said, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh..." (John 3:6). And the life of flesh is NOT a "soul" but is in the BLOOD!

Probably, you've always taken for granted you have a "soul"—that there is something immortal or eternal about the real "life" within you! But what about these many scriptures you've just seen? What about the positive statements of your Creator?

One might argue, "Well, yes—I know the Bible says man dies like a beast; that his consciousness dies; that his thoughts perish—but his soul can't die—and I won't believe souls can die unless you can show me those very words in the Bible!"

The SOUL DIES!

Here's the Bible answer to any such human reasoning.

Open your own Bible. Turn to
Ezekiel the 18th chapter. Now read verses 4 and 20! "Behold all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, IT SHALL DIE!" (Verse 4). "The soul that sinneth, IT shall die!" (Verse 20.)

Now you've seen the plain statement that SOULS DIE—and right in your own Bible!

How can that be?

It's simply explained. You are a soul—you do not "have" or "possess" a soul! Probably, you've always assumed you are a body, a living human being, but that somewhere "in you is a soul.

No—the Bible reveals we ARE a SOUL! Notice Genesis 2:7: "And the Nephesh—"soulish" or PHYSICAL, meaning FLESHLY, and OF THIS EARTH!

The Hebrew word originally inspired was "Nephesh!" The original word is always Nephesh when you read "soul" in the English. But Nephesh is NOT always translated "soul." It is used in the same first chapters of Genesis for LOWER ANIMALS.

"And God said, Let the earth bring forth living 'Nephesh' after his kind [rendered "creature" in English]." The word "nephesh" is used FOUR TIMES of lower animals in Genesis BEFORE it is ever used for man; and of the thirteen times used in Genesis, TEN of those refer to ANIMALS!

Nephesh is translated in many ways. It is translated as "any," "one," "yourself," "persons," "men," "creature," and in many other ways. The Hebrew word Nephesh is the equivalent of the Latin word "anima" which means AIR or BREATH (from the Greek word, anemos). You'll recognize in "anima" the origin of our English word, "ANIMAL!"

There is absolutely NO Bible substantiation for the idea of an "immortal" soul!

And what about the New Testament? Jesus Christ is the central figure of the New Testament. And HIS DEATH is one of the major FACTS of the New Testament. But was HE REALLY DEAD? Or did just His body die?

Let's let Him answer. After all, HE should know! If you have a "Red Letter" Bible; that is, a Bible with the first-person quotations from Christ in red ink, you'll notice some of the words in Revelation are in red! Many of them were spoken DIRECTLY to John from Christ Himself!

Notice what He said about His death! "I am He that liveth, and WAS DEAD!" (Rev. 1:18.)

Christ predicted He would die—That He would be KILLED! Isaiah prophesied, ". . .because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors" (Isa. 53:12).

Notice, He "poured out" His SOUL (Heb. "Nephesh"). What was it Christ "poured out" on Golgotha? His BLOOD! Always the Bible speaks of the shed BLOOD of Christ, of the BLOOD of the "Lamb" just as typified in the Passover (I Cor. 10:16; Eph. 2:13).

Of course He poured out His blood—because the LIFE of every flesh and BLOOD creature is in the BLOOD! (Lev. 17:11.)

No wonder it speaks of pouring out the "soul," or the Nephesh (LIFE)—and no wonder it plainly says DEATH results! Christ died! He said so, Himself!

The wages of sin is DEATH (Rom. 6:23) not eternal life in some other geographical location. And Christ took upon Himself the PENALTY of OUR sins—DEATH. It was complete death; REAL death; the complete absence of LIFE. He really died!

What is death? It is the absence of life. It is complete UNCONSCIOUSNESS—total oblivion—NOTHING remaining alive!

Any LIFE After Death?

Remember what Job was inspired to say? "O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me! If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, TILL MY CHANGE come" (Job 14:13, 14).

Job knew about the resurrection of the dead. And so does ANYONE who knows the promises of God! Your Bible speaks in both Old and New Testaments of a RESURRECTION of the dead—a RE-CREATION OF LIFE!

Daniel was inspired to write, "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt" (Dan. 12:2).

Later, Christ quoted these same words. Read John 5:21 through verse 29! Jesus said, "For as the Father raiseth up the dead . . . even so the Son quickeneth [makes alive] whom He will . . . Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live . . . Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation" (judgment; margin).

Christ spoke of MORE than one resurrection!

Notice the proof. Turn to Revelation, chapter 20. Now read verses 4 and 5. "And I saw a THOUSAND thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them [Greek word: "Psuche"—meaning same as "Nephesh" in the Hebrew] that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years!"

And the "souls" John saw in this vision were DEAD! Notice the proof. "But the REST OF THE DEAD lived not again until the thousand years were finished!" (Rev. 20:5.)

John saw a vision concerning the resurrection of the JUST! Christ promises RULERSHIP with Him to those who overcome (Rev. 2:26; 3:21) which He
The resurrection of the dead was the whole hope—the heart and center of the message of the early Church! Notice how it completely dominates the sermons of Peter and Paul in early Church history. Read all of the following verses in context in your own Bible! “. . . have crucified and slain: Whom God hath raised up . . .” (Acts 2:23, 24). “This Jesus hath God raised up, whereby we all are witnesses . . . For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself [proving David, too, expected to wait till a change came, through a resurrection!]. The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thy foes thy footstool!” (Acts 2:32-35).

Peter continually emphasized Christ’s resurrection as proof of the future resurrection of all mankind! “And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead . . .” (Acts 3:15). “Unto you first God, having raised up His Son Jesus . . .” (Acts 3:26). “. . . the Sadducees came upon them, being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead!” (Acts 4:1-2).

Notice! Peter preached the resurrection! He said nothing about the completely pagan doctrine of any supposed “immortal soul” or going to “hell” or “heaven” when one dies! Rather, He emphasized how even David, a man after God’s own heart, was dead and buried (Acts 2:29) and showed the believers that David had not gone to heaven (Acts 2:34), but was waiting in his grave, just as the Bible says, until a resurrection of the just!

Paul was inspired to write one whole chapter on the subject of the resurrection! You need to study the whole 15th chapter of I Corinthians!

Notice how Paul was directed of God’s Holy Spirit to answer the “let’s suppose” and “what if?” kind of questions people would ask:

“But some man will say, ‘How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?’” (I Cor. 15:35.)

And true to that prediction—people ask: “Yes, but what about those ‘vaporized’ at Hiroshima and Nagasaki?” People want to know about men buried at sea, eaten of sharks. And what about those cremated?

All right—what about them?

Is it “difficult” for God because the same body no longer remains?

Ridiculous! And that’s exactly what Christ inspired Paul to write about such questions. “Thou fool—what that thou sowest is not quickened, except it die . . .” (I Cor. 15:52.)

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will give at His return (I Cor. 15:23; Phil. 3:20, 21).

Christ spoke of a resurrection to life, and a resurrection to “judgment” (John 5:29). The word rendered “damnation” in the Authorized Version is more correctly translated “judgment” from the original.

Notice how the Bible interprets the Bible on this important point!

John was inspired to say, “But the rest of the dead [those not included in the resurrection to eternal life at Christ’s coming!] lived not again until the thousand years were finished!” (Rev. 20:5.) The words following this parenthetical statement then refer back to the first resurrection of the dead in Christ!

But the rest of the dead—those millions having never heard; never having an opportunity for salvation; lived not again until the thousand years were finished!”

Notice verses 11 through 13: “And I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great; stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened which is the book of life: and the dead were judged [not sentenced, or “condemned,” but judged] out of those things which were written really live by God’s Word, will be in the resurrection of the just!

Paul said this was the driving ambition in his life!

“. . . and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus . . . that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection . . . if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead!” (Phil. 3:8-11.)

But what about those who have not been converted? What if someone dies who never really knew the truth? What about the millions upon millions of Asians, Africans, and members of all races right down through history who never even heard the name of Christ, let alone had an opportunity to hear and study His Word? What becomes of them?

The REST of the Dead

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IN THE BOOKS, ACCORDING TO THEIR WORKS...

Notice what the Bible does not say! Millions have falsely pictured this event as a great "assembly line" of miserable humans, marching endlessly past a great "courtroom"—each told in his turn, "You go to heaven," "You go to hell!"

Isn't that the way you have always pictured it?

But that isn't what the Bible says! Your Creator says the dead will finally be judged out of things written in the "books," and that they will be judged by their works!

And what are those books? The original Greek word is "BIBLOS." And "Biblos" is translated correctly into English as "Bible." Surprising though it may seem, there is nothing "holy" about the word "Bible" when it is used by itself. But when the word "holy" is added to the word Bible, (which merely means books) then the meaning is Holy Books!

Of course!

That is exactly how you will be judged. God says, "I change not!" (Mal. 3:6.) Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today, and forever (Heb. 13:8). God will judge those people in the future just as He judges today!

And how does He judge His own people?

"For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?" (I Pet. 4:17.)

Judgment is a "discerning." Those who are members of God's true Church, members of the very body of Christ (I Cor. 12:13) are being judged now! (I Pet. 4:17.)

And how are they being judged?

Christ said, "...Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." (Mat. 4:4.) "Thy word is truth," (John 17:17) said Jesus Christ. The books of "Biblos" which are the laws by which you and I are judged are the books of your own Bible! Each Christian is judged, according to his works, based upon the Word of God.

Your God is fair. God does not judge you by one "method," and then judge multiple millions, or even billions of other human beings by a totally different standard. Think about it for a moment.

Does it make sense to you that millions of people could be sent to a supposed "ever-burning hell fire," helplessly and uselessly beating at the flames that threaten to engulf them, shrieking in hideous and all-consuming agony for ever and ever and ever—for all eternity, just because a missionary had a flat tire?

Let's follow it further. Perhaps (and this is not so farfetched but that it could have been true), a missionary was striving to reach a tiny Chinese village. Let's assume the missionary ran into trouble with his ancient old Ford automobile, and received a severe tire puncture on the rough and rocky road. Perhaps the missionary labored several hours under the hot sun to repair his tire—arriving at the village several hours later than he had intended. Meanwhile, the elderly grandfather of the family upon which he was about to call had "passed away." Mind you, this missionary was going to bring the "name" of Christ to this isolated Chinese family.

But the grandfather died! All during his lifetime he never once had an opportunity to even hear the name of Christ—let alone hear one word out of the Word of God or one word from a missionary, teacher, preacher, government official, or even a neighbor about his responsibilities before God.

Rather, he had been reared in the Taoist or Buddhist religion.

Does it make sense to your rational mind that this elderly Chinaman would then be doomed to spend all eternity in an ever-burning hell fire because a missionary had a flat tire?

Preposterous!

And so is it preposterous according to your Bible!

No, your God is a just God! He treats all human beings equally! He deals the same way with Chinese as with Africans, the same with Americans as with Britons, the same with Australians as with Germans, and the same with Asians as with Latin Americans!

Those who have never had an opportunity to learn about God's Word and His laws, who have never even heard the only name whereby man must be saved (Acts 4:12) must have that opportunity!

Religious hobbyists, arguers, scoffers, and bigoted antagonists will oftentimes accuse the Great Creator for this masterful plan of offering a so-called "second chance"!

With boiling rage, many a religious hobbyist has shrieked his venom at any supposed "second chance!"

But is this a second chance? When, pray tell, did these millions of wretched, hapless, disillusioned and illiterate souls ever have a "first" chance?

They never did. But they will.

God says, "But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished!"

And these will be resurrected to "judgment" which is not a sentencing based upon deeds they did in ignorance. But is, rather, a period of 100 years duration (Isa. 65:20) during which every one of these multiple millions, perhaps even billions of human beings must have the same opportunity you have!

How righteous, how just, how merciful, and how perfect is the great plan of God!

What happens, then, if a loved one of yours died not having "understood" much of the Word of God?

The FIRST CHANCE—

for Everyone!

Death is death—the complete absence of life and consciousness.

Remember, your Bible reveals the "dead know not anything." There is no consciousness of the passing of time. In the parable of Lazarus and the rich man, the rich man "lift up his eyes" in a resurrection—unaware that thousands of years had passed between the time when he died and his yet future resurrection. If you have not yet read the gripping booklet on Lazarus And The Rich Man, then write for your free copy immediately.

The majority of those dying today
in all nations ARE NOT CONVERTED!
The majority of those having died
through past centuries died with NO
KNOWLEDGE of Christ, of the Bible,
of the way to salvation.

But they are NOT hopelessly lost.
They must have their first chance
for salvation.

Notice what God says about His own
specially chosen people, Israel. "What
then? Israel hath not obtained that
which he seeketh for; but the election
hath obtained it, and the rest were
blinded (according as it is written,
God hath given them the spirit of
slumber; eyes that they should not see,
and ears that they should not hear;) unto
this day" (Rom. 11:7-8).

Are God's own elect (Isa. 44:1; 45:4) LOST FOREVER because God HIMSELF has caused them to be BLINDED to
His truth?

No! Notice the proof! "For I would
not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant
of this mystery, lest ye should be wise
in your own conceits; that blindness
in part is happened to Israel, until the
fulness of the Gentiles be come in" (Rom. 11:25).

God has a TIME SCHEDULE He is
working out. He will finally give all
those ancient Israelites—whose hearts
were hardened, who DID NOT KNOW
the way to salvation—theIR FIRST
chance!

Notice it. "And so ALL ISRAEL
SHALL BE SAVED!" (Rom. 11:26.)

He says further, "For God hath con­
cluded them [shut them up in un­
belief—original] all in unbelief, that
He might have mercy on all!" (Rom. 11:32.)

... God our Saviour; Who will have
ALL MEN TO BE SAVED, and to come
unto the knowledge of the truth" (I Tim. 2:3, 4).

*Every* human being will be given an
opportunity to hear, and to understand
the Word of God. He will then make
UP his OWN MIND; make his OWN decision
about whether he will obey!

What About Suicide?

And what if someone kills HIMSELF?
Will he be resurrected?

Of course! Suicide is SELF-murder.
God commands, "Thou shalt NOT
KILL" and says the wages of *sin*,
which is the breaking of God's ten
commandments (I John 3:4), is *death*
(Rom. 6:23).

In the case of suicide, the penalty is
the *same* as for any other broken law.

In the resurrection after the millennium
of PEACE on this earth (Rev. 20:5); the resurrection to *judgment*,
any person having committed suicide
will learn the enormity of his sin; will
hear the Word of God, just like the
millions of others who committed
sins, and who died not having the
knowledge of the truth.

Is There A Hell Fire?

Believe it or not, the Bible shows
there must be a THIRD and FINAL
resurrection! This time, a resurrection
to *death—by fire*.

Remember, there are THREE CLASSES
OF PEOPLE with whom God is dealing.
Those who have repented, and, whether
living or dead, will rise to meet Christ
in the air (I Thes. 4:15-18), coming
down on THAT SAME DAY with Him
to the mount of Olives (Zech. 14:4)
to RULe with Him for 1,000 years
(Rev. 2:26; 3:21; 5:10; 20:4). Then
there are the millions of those who
have never understood—the "REST" of
the dead (Rev. 20:5).

And then there are those who will
not choose to repent—who are finally
to *lose out* on salvation.

Notice the Bible proof!

*After* the millennium of Christ's
rule on earth; even *after* the picture
of the Great White Throne resurrection
to *judgment* (Rev. 20:11-12),
God says, "And death and hell [Greek
word, "Hades" meaning THE GRAVE]
were cast into the lake of fire. This
is the second death!" (Rev. 20:14.)

A grave is only a grave when it con­tains
a body. This scripture speaks of a
resurrection to *physical* life, for the
incorrigibly evil, and a "GEHENNA"
fire destroying them!

Read what God inspired the prophet
Malachi to write: "For behold, the day
cometh, that shall burn as an oven;
and all the proud, yea, and all that do
wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day
that cometh shall burn them up... and
ye shall tread down the wicked; for
they shall be ashes under the soles of
your feet..." (Mal. 4:1-3).

The GEHENNA fire of your Bible is
MUCH HOTTER than the pagan myth of
an "ever-burning" fire. *This fire really
burns—it destroys*!

Write for the booklet about Lazarus
And The Rich Man. It explains how
the rich man comes up in *this* final
resurrection—only to see the advancing
wall of flame before him. There is a
mighty REAL FIRE revealed in the
Bible—GEHENNA (Greek word) fire.

Peter said, "But the day of the Lord
will come as a thief in the night; in
the which the heavens shall pass away
with a great noise, and the elements
shall melt with fervent heat, the earth
also and the works that are therein shall
be burnt up!" (II Pet. 3:10.)

But before giving this awesome
warning of impending DESTRUCTION
of the wicked, Peter again shows the
righteous MERCY of the LOVING God,
who "... is longsuffering to us-ward,
not willing that ANY should perish,
but that ALL should come to repent­
cance!" (II Pet. 3:9.)

There is the real TRUTH about death
—from your own Bible! Death is
death—without consciousness. A
resurrection is the hope of the dead—
not living for all eternity in some fanciful "limbo" or compartment of
"heaven" or "hell."

The stories you've heard all your
life about the boiling pots or the
"pearly gates" are SHEER MYTH!

But the plain truth of your Bible is
CLEAR!

You have been given precious
knowledge in this article—and, if you
have the spiritual courage to really
CHECK UP and PROVE these scriptures
are REALLY IN your Bible—you will
never again be deceived about death.

But knowledge is of no value except
as it is *applied*. Now that you know
about death—what about the way
you're living your LIFE?

You are NOT one of the millions
who have never heard. You are NOT
one who will die in ignorance of God's
Word—not having had an opportunity
for salvation. You are being given
YOUR opportunity RIGHT NOW!

Don't throw it away.
THE BIG SECRET is out! While world attention has been focused upon the see-saw Soviet-U.S. space competition, another growing world power is entering the race—almost unnoticed.

Western Europe!

U.S., Russia Not Alone

Just as this goes to press, France has launched the first 100% European space probe from its base in the Sahara. An all-French research satellite was lifted into orbit aboard an all-French-made missile.

This is just the beginning!

Within a few weeks, 300 scientists from France, Germany, Britain, Italy, Holland and Belgium will gather in Australia to watch another "first"—the launching of a joint-European rocket and satellite. "Europa I" will have a British Blue Streak first stage rocket, a French second stage, and a German third stage, topped by an Italian satellite.

The Europa I launch has as much political as scientific value. It symbolizes the growing unity of West Europe. The Common Market is no longer just an economic union.

For years, The Plain Truth has warned its readers of a coming "United States of Europe." Bible prophecy shows an eventual union of ten separate nations to arise within the boundaries of the ancient Roman Empire. Read it in Revelation 17:12-13.

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Bonn's New Blitzkrieg

Three recent developments in West Germany have shocked newsmen.

Germany has just produced what many military experts believe is the world's best tank—the "Leopard." Only seven feet tall, it has an 105-mm. gun capable of knocking out any known tank with a single round! The Leopard is the fastest tank in the world with unmatched acceleration. It can dive to river bottoms and drive across with the aid of a snorkel device. Scheduled for production are 1,500 of these 39-ton engines of death.

The Leopard's tank crew is also protected against radioactive fallout—absolutely essential against tactical atomic weapons.

The Federal Republic is also becoming Europe's largest naval power! German shipyards are booked solid with orders for the Bundemarine—destroyers, fast frigates, submarines, torpedo boats and minesweepers. The new navy will be the fastest one ever developed.

In addition, the vessels are being built to eventually carry nuclear-fitted missiles. Already, the torpedo boats are being armed with the American Tartar missile (its warhead, when fitted, to be under U.S. control—for now). German Defense Minister Kai-Uwe von Hassel says the Bonn navy is being conceived as "a series of floating missile-launching platforms traveling at tremendous speed."

Blitzkrieg by sea!

Third, is the most shocking report of all. German scientists are well on the way toward development of a "clean" hydrogen fusion process. If—and when—applied to hydrogen warfare—it would allow an attacking army to occupy enemy territory immediately without fear of radioactive poisoning.

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The Danger Within

The United States, Great Britain and Northwest Europe are being scandalized by skyrocketing crime, depravity, perversion and moral filth. Look at these trends:

1—Pornography has become a two-billion-dollar retail business in the U.S. Enough pornographic literature
is purchased every year in the United States to fill to overflowing five Empire State Buildings! Between 75 and 90 percent of all filthy literature ends up in the hands—and minds—of teen-agers and younger children.

2—Certainly as no coincidence, venereal disease has reached "epidemic proportions" in several large U.S. cities. Teen-agers are accounting for most of the increase. Reported syphilis cases have more than tripled since 1957. Teen-age syphilis rose 230 percent over the same period.

3—Illegitimate births among British schoolgirls have quadrupled in the last six years. Loss of virginity—well nigh universal in some high schools—is regarded as a status symbol. In Australia, pregnancies among unmarried 13-to-16-year-old girls have leaped 210 percent in the past three years.

4—The British House of Commons has just passed a bill to legalize homosexual acts among Britain's estimated one million male homosexuals. In a shameful display of support for the bill were top representatives of six church bodies.

5—Britain is undergoing a virtual explosion in crime, especially crimes of violence. In England and Wales, violent crimes among the "under 21" set multiplied by 300 percent from 1955 through 1964.

6—Across the Channel in France, teen-age crime has jumped a frightening 400 percent in the past decade.

7—In Canada, crime is increasing three or four times as fast as the population. The 16-to-24 age group accounts for half of all crimes.

8—The soaring crime rate in the United States—long the world’s "pace setter"—continues to streak upward. It is now six times higher than the population increase. The annual crime bill: $27,000,000,000. "A grim and unhappy commentary on the moral climate of this great nation," says FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

9—In Sweden’s welfare state, crime, juvenile delinquency, drug addiction and moral decay have reached alarming proportions. Venereal disease is more widespread in Sweden than in any other "civilized" country.

10—In this deteriorating climate we witness the ironic rise of the "God is Dead" school of religion. God is irrelevant in today’s modern society, it is said. He has no value. Says one proponent: "God is no longer useful to us today. He no longer is someone we turn to to get us out of our messes."

God thunders to our peoples in Ezek. 9:9: "The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood [crime], and the city full of perverseness: for they say, The Lord hath forsaken the earth, and the Lord seeth not" [the doctrine of so-called Christian atheists].

Unless our people do cry out to God to "get us out of our messes," He will punish us at the hands of "His rod"—modern Assyria, Germany at the helm of a United Europe (Isa. 10:5).
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