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## Salutation

"We go to Salute the Children of the King" II. Kings 10: 13

*My Dearly Beloved Friends:*

May you prayerfully and joyfully look forward to the fulfillment of Ezek. 37: 22-25 "I will make them one nation—one King shall be King to them all—David, my servant, shall be King over them."

## THE DISUNION OF ISRAEL.

As an outcome of the present war, the above cited promise may soon be materialized into a fact. The unscriptural world has long regarded Zionism, now twenty years old, as a dream, and denied the truth of God's promise to restore the Jews to their own country. But now the restoration of the Jews is looming up very large even upon the horizon of skeptics and doubters. Already the matter is under the consideration of the Powers as a political proposition. Believing now that the return of Israel to Palestine is near at hand the Jews have been prompted to action and many Gentiles to expression on the subject. Prominent journalists, political leaders and statesmen all over the world, have been affected by the strong sentiment and axiom "Palestine for the Jews," and are discussing as to whether the new Jewish state shall be a republic, monarchy or theocracy, and whether it shall be under the suzerainty of England or America. But what do the Jews themselves say? In the column of Jewish Notes you will find a brief account of the discord and disunion fermenting among the Jews concerning this subject. Some rabbis are for and others against the project of Palestine for the Jews. The many different nationalities from which the three million Jews of America come are the root of the whole matter. They cannot think, feel or see alike; hence, the disunion. It is thus exceedingly interesting to trace out what God said long, long ago and to note the accuracy of the fulfillment. In Zech. 7:10 we read: "I set all men every one against his neighbor." Ever since God began to chastise His people for their disobedience, we find one of the many afflictions to be strife, contention and disunion. It is also very likely to act as a starter of the Great Tribulation which is to come when the Jews are partly settled in Jerusalem. The word of God in Ezek. 37, quoted above, emphasizes very strongly their future blessing of unison—"one nation"—"one king to them all." It practically implies that disunion will be their unfortunate lot until their King David, the Lord Jesus Christ, comes and sits on the throne of His earthly father David. Then and not until then will they be one people and understand each other.

## JEWISH LEADERS.

The prejudiced world has made two great mistakes in lightly esteeming the Jews. They say that the reason the Jews have been like sheep without a

shepherd is because of the lack of able men of leadership among them. Again, they state that the Jews can never make good soldiers, that they are cowards and will not fight. How contrary is the truth to these ideas! There are so many Jewish leaders engaged in executive and legislative positions among civilized peoples that if they were withdrawn, a number of nations would be left like a ship without a rudder. But the large number of trained statesmen of the Jewish race lead strange nations instead of their own. Why? Because God said, "There is no leader for her (Zion) among all her sons she hath brought forth" (literal Hebrew) Isa. 51:18. God will not allow any one to lead Israel until she accepts her rightful leader, the Lord Jesus. Another leader would be a usurper. The right belongs to Him only. "I will overturn, overturn, overturn it; and it shall be no more, until He come, whose right it is; and I will give it to Him." Ezek. 21: 27.

To refute the second mistake, it is but necessary to point to the present war in which over half a million Jews are fighting. These Jewish soldiers, according to all reports have not only shown skill equal to their companions, but have distinguished themselves so that every one of the warring rulers has acknowledged their heroism by bestowing medals upon large numbers. Even some of the Jewish women have been praised and decorated for their great wisdom and valor in the present war. Just a few days ago in the Austrian Army a Jewish girl, disguised as a soldier, fought so heroically as to be advanced to the rank of lieutenant, but upon being wounded she was discovered, and sent home with honors. Certainly Jewish soldiers are brave. Why they had wonderful fighters back in their history. In their veins flows the blood of Joshua, the son of Nun, Gideon and his band, Shamgar with the ox-goad, Samson with the jaw-bone of an ass, David with the shepherd's sling, and many other heroes. The Jews at present could, humanly speaking, muster a fighting army of their own, far larger and more able than Belgium's and could fight for their own Fatherland. Why do they not? Because God said, "Thy sons and thy daughters shall be given unto another people." Deut. 28:32. Able Jewish leaders as well as brave soldiers must not give their talents to their own people, but to "another people."

#### PREPARATORY WORK.

These and many other afflictions have one redeeming feature, viz., to prepare the Jews as a nation, to accept and appreciate their King Messiah, when He comes to their help in time of tribulation. "And I will pour upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications, and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him." Zech. 12:10. How will it come to pass that they will begin to supplicate for the grace of the Lord Jesus and feel so very sorry for what they once did to Him? It will not come through a miracle which shall suddenly change the course of laws of human will and nature. God could do it now as well as then. But God who made all things merely by His word, will not turn one sinner to Himself by His mere word or command. He had to give His only Son, had to send men to preach, and the Holy Spirit to teach, in order to save a sinner. How then will that wonderful event take place? Through a long and gradual process of preparatory lessons. "God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform." Every chastisement of the poor Jews proclaims to them the echo of His words which were sharply uttered in Jerusalem nearly two thousand years ago: "without me ye can do nothing." John 15:5. Every missionary and Christian layman that preaches to the Jews "Christ and Him crucified," helps prepare them to identify and accept Him when He comes. At the "Time of Jacob's trouble" (Jer. 30: 7) they will remember all the afflictions, all their weaknesses. They will see their failure to derive help either from their own wisdom, or false Messiahs. Then they will think of the Gospel preached to them by us and will turn to the grace of the Lord Jesus, for which they will supplicate, and He will come to them with His saints (Zech. 14: 5) and they will see His pierced side. When realizing what their fathers did to their own Messiah they will cry bitterly and mourn over Him. Will it not be our great joy at that time to be able to point out and say, "We have our share in this wonderful and sacred drama?"

Most sincerely yours,

LEOPOLD COHN.

#### EDITORIAL.

**Money Lenders.** This is rather an opprobrious expression in the sense that the world is using it. In a scriptural sense it is a blessed terminology. "He that hath pity on the poor lendeth to the Lord," Prov. 19:17. We are very thankful to God and under Him to our dear friends who have frequently and liberally provided for our poor brethren during the last few months and have enabled us to help many suffering members of the household of faith. Urgent appeals come from distressed men and women from the outside, but we cannot take up such cases. We have been glad that our own members have been helped along and kept from starvation. Those who send us of their means for this purpose receive brief information as to how the money was distributed among our poor ones and how it was appreciated. In many cases the Holy Spirit evidently led the donors to send us just the amount needed for the very day and for just the purposes that appeared. There is little prospect of conditions improving and the need grows greater every day. We shall be glad to receive such gifts for the poor as our friends are led to remit to us, that they may continue lending money to the Lord.

**Welcome Visitors.** We had a number of visitors during the last month. It is a pleasure to find that friends who have a share in this work are always anxious to actually see Beth Sar Shalom for which they have been praying and laboring and have used every opportunity to stop in when convenient. The last month has brought us an unusual number of guests from far and near, among them Wm. J. Seeley, Professor in the University of Wooster. They all said that not half was told them. They had no adequate idea of the amount of work that this mission performs by the grace of God. They did not imagine how nicely the build-

ing is situated and how business like the offices of the mission look. Some of them saw the large audiences, as respectable and as quiet as those in any Christian Church, tho' many people had to stand during the whole meeting. Some visited the Mothers' Meeting and others saw our daily inquirers and the dispensary work in full swing. All counted it a privilege to have their share in a blessed work like this. We hope we may have the opportunity of meeting many more of our supporters.

**Ruled Out.** For a long time, in fact ever since the war began, we have not mentioned anything about our needed buildings. One is the enlarged church building for which we need \$250,000, as explained long ago, and the other one in a dormitory on the farm for our school girls which will cost about \$6,000. Not because we have the money has the need not been mentioned, but because the pressure of the times has ruled it out. More than ever before it would be right for Christ's stewards to act, now that the troublous times have begun. With the prospect of the imminent coming of Christ, there should be a desire to accomplish such work that He may know that the members of the Body have endeavored to do something for His brethren according to the flesh. But human nature is still absorbed with the things of this world, forgetting the eternal things. There is still great need of an enlarged building and we will soon be facing the Summer problems. Our Board at the last meeting was sorry to hear the report that we could not take the girls to the country last summer, as we had no suitable building. Now is the time to build the dormitory where we can take our girls in the Summer and teach them the Word of God. Who wants to have it said of him, some time in the future: "For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue?" Luke 7:5.

## INCIDENTS IN THE WORK.

## Two More Baptisms.

We are glad to report in this issue, that one of the two baptisms administered last month was to a Jewess about 30 years old, who has a husband and five children. About a year and a half ago, she came to our dispensary with one of her children and Miss Susdorff made her acquaintance, visited and invited her to the Mother's Meeting and to our gospel meetings. She has been attending regularly for some time and has

learned a great deal, but her husband has been bitterly opposed to her sympathy with the missionaries in their belief in Christ. However, the Lord has dealt with him in a remarkable way and caused him too to begin the study of the Scriptures and eventually to find out that his wife was right, that the Lord Jesus

Christ is the only Saviour. When we understood that she had fully given her heart to the Lord Jesus Christ, we baptized her February 22nd, she thus publicly confessing her belief in Him.

A man of 34 was the other witness last month to the Lord's power. He has a wife and five little children in Russia, in the war zone. He is a highly educated man, knows the Talmud very well and has such vast knowledge of other Rabbinic literature as to entitle him to be Rabbi. On his way to this country, about a year ago, he found a New Testament on

the steamer. After reading it, he admired its ideal teachings. Under the providence of God, he was led from city to city. Once he tearfully prayed that God would lead him in the right way and to the place where He wanted him to be and to the things in which he wanted him to be found. He prayed very earnestly, although he did not know what he prayed for. Soon after, God led him to Philadelphia where he met the Rev. H. L. Hellyer who has recently opened a mission to the Jews there,



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under the auspices of the Presbytery. He has for an assistant Mr. Pritsky who formerly attended this mission and who we recommended to Brother Hellyer. From Philadelphia Mr. Hellyer sent this learned Jew to us, asking that we deal with him. I was really surprised to find him so well versed in Jewish literature. For a number of days I was prayerfully working to bring him to a complete surrender of all his learning and wisdom to the Lord Jesus Christ. As Brother Hellyer remarked to me in a letter, the man's mind was filled with ideals and his approval was only upon good works. However, by the grace of God, he was brought to see that he was a sinner and that he needed the Lord Jesus Christ for the cleansing of his soul and for the guidance of his life in this world and for eternal life in the world to come. We there-

fore baptised him February 15th, when our converted brethren assembled for prayer and testimony. This learned brother has spoken several times at our meetings and the Jews were much interested in his addresses for they have great respect for learning. I believe that he could be greatly used in the vineyard of our Lord Jesus Christ, both among Jews and Gentiles. He needs a Christian education and association and fellowship with Christian students in a Christian atmosphere. Who will invest some of his means in a good enterprise like this which is, humanly speaking, certain to bring much fruit? Who can tell but that this man might be another Adolph Saphir or Bishop Schereschewsky?

## A New Department in the Mission.

A new and additional activity was started in this mission about three months ago, but we did not want to speak of it until it was well under way. This new feature was introduced and financed by a friend who loves the Lord Jesus Christ and has been working along the same lines among Gentiles and Christian people who need awakening. The plan, in brief, is as follows:

We printed four parables on four different leaflets. The parables are as follows: the Marriage Feast, Matt. 22; the Householder demanding fruit, Matt. 21:33; the Lost Son, Luke 15: 11 and the Good Samaritan, Luke 10:25. On the front page of each leaflet there is a preface saying that these stories were told by the greatest Jewish prophet who was of the royal line of the house of King David; that he gave sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, etc. and it then closes with the invitation to come or write to the Williamsburg Mission to the Jews for a copy of St. Matthew. These leaflets were printed in both Yiddish and English. Then we prepared a letter to go with the leaf-

lets. In it a personal appeal was made to the recipient to give up old notions which the rabbis had taught them concerning the enmity of Christians to Jews and to distinguish between a real Christian and a nominal one, suggesting further that one must go to the source and originator of Christianity, the Lord Jesus Christ, in order to know who He is. We therefore offered a New Testament, for the recipient to read and study carefully and prayerfully. The letter also contained a reference to the terrible sufferings of the Jews in Poland and other places in the war zone. It points out that these as well as other afflictions have come because of that national sin which they committed against their own Messiah, the Lord Jesus, when they exclaimed, "His blood be upon us." With a number of verses to confirm this statement, the letter quotes Lev. 26:39-42, saying that God wants us Jews to acknowledge this national sin. We must say humbly and penitently, as Joseph's brethren, "We are verily guilty concerning our brother, etc.," Gen. 42: 21. Also Hosea 5: 15, "I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face." Another appeal was made in the letter to give in their minds and judgment, a new trial to the case of the Lord Jesus Christ. As the Jews have been stirred all over the country wondering why Mr. Frank, the Jew that has been sentenced in Georgia, is not given a new trial, so we wonder at every Jew who does not read the New Testament and find out for himself the truth about the Lord Jesus Christ.

We then addressed ten thousand Jewish names from the directories to each of whom we sent a letter with four leaflets enclosed. This meant a great deal of work and it took a long time to have everything in order, but we believe that it was worth all the trouble and pains that were taken. We have already received about fifty answers asking for the New Testa-

ment, which we went together with some tracts. Some of these letters contained encouraging words. Some passed on these letters and parables to their friends and relatives, one even going as far as New Mexico, from where we received a letter asking for more literature. Some of these correspondents have offered to help us distribute this literature. Some expressed themselves so favorably as to state that they had been looking for just such literature about Christ. We have certainly received a number of very discouraging letters containing some awful threats and most unpleasant epithets and some offensive letters from Gentiles who got these letters by mistake on account of their names sounding like Jewish ones, but after all the hard work and some of the unpleasant experiences we are thankful to God for the friend who suggested this kind of work and paid the expense, amounting to about \$400.00. All these ten thousand Jews we may freely presume have never heard anything similar about the Lord Jesus Christ. These letters and pamphlets have given them a new thought of Christ, they will certainly compare this scriptural truth with their traditional prejudice of 2,000 years. But the visible results so far, the fine letters, the eagerness created in their hearts to read about the Lord Jesus and the offer to help distribute the literature, all these are worth far more than the money and efforts that we have put forth. But the end of this special department is not yet, and there is no prospect of its cessation, for we are still corresponding with those that have written us. All that has been done is just like a snow ball which increases in size as it rolls. However, this work needs your earnest prayers, and we ask every one of our dear friends to make mention of it at the throne of Grace.

We also wish to suggest that if our friends in towns where there are Jews, would like us to carry on this

same kind of work for their Hebrew population by sending them literature from here, we can do it now more intelligently than before we had this experience. This would solve the problem in towns where people would like to start a Jewish Mission, but haven't the means or an appropriate worker. If you are interested in such a project, please write us and we will give you all the details.

#### Incidents by Philip Englander.

One day when passing a Jewish bank which had failed, where a great crowd of depositors were standing looking at the doors, I asked the few whom I knew, what they were standing there for. Several answered in one voice, "Because the doors are locked, we can't get in." "Do you know friends, this pictures to me," I said, "the future closed door of Heaven? (Luke 13: 24-26). I wish you would learn the lesson right here what it will mean when *that* door is closed." "That would be more of a shock to us," one said, "but then we will not deal with a Jewish banker who has the heart of a murderer, Abraham will be there, won't he? If he hears a weak knock he will know 'tis a Jewish one, and he will open." Another one cried out, "What? Abraham will be there? Abraham with Jesus! What relationship has Abraham with Jesus?" I then quoted John 8: 56-58 and Gen. 14: 18-20.

One of the crowd remarked in a loud voice, "No, it doesn't pay to gamble, this closed bank is a lesson to us. He (meaning me) is always on the safe side." Then shaking hands with me, he said, "You are a wise man, I will do likewise." Another man responded, "So will I." All gladly received the invitations to our meetings.

At Christmas time I went to visit a very respectable Jewish family and some of the children showed me their Christmas presents. "Not Christmas presents, but Chanika presents!" the oldest son corrected. The Jewish feast Chanika comes at about the same season as Christmas. "Why do you object," I said, "if it is a Christmas present?" He replied, "Because Christ was never born on that day and further more, I don't believe Christ was ever born." If so," I said,

"how about Is. 7: 14, 9: 6-7 and if He was not born, how could He die for our sins according to Is. 53?" "How can you believe that Christ died for you," he said, "when it says some where in Psalms, 'No brother can redeem anyone, nor give to God a ransom for him,' and if you believe that, how can you believe that Christ died for you?" I then explained the ability of Christ, the perfect one, to redeem us. After a considerable talk on that subject, they became greatly interested in the saving power of Jesus.

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While at the barber shop one day, I noticed through the mirror that the man in the next chair was gazing frequently in my direction. I knew something was going to follow, and before long he asked if my name was so and so. I said, "Yes, have you ever been in our Mission?" He replied, "Do you take me for a fool like my son? You caught him well and what hurts me most is that you got hold of my best child." "Excuse me, sir," I said, "we did not get hold of him but God did. (John 6:65.) God Almighty also chose David, the best in the family and Joseph, the best of his family and so your son, the best in the family, in order to bring a blessing to the whole family." "In what way?" he asked. "In the way of bringing the blessed love of Christ to all," I replied. "I don't see the blessing," he said, "I would rather call it a curse. Why what will happen to such a family? I have two daughters and who will marry them? If I were a believer, I would lose all my friends. Do you call that a blessing? Did you not experience that yourself?" "Yes," I said, "and still it is a blessing, according to Mat. 19:29." He then acknowledged that his best child who believed in Christ is really more blessed than any of the others, as the others are without positions, while he has a steady one. He promised to come to the meetings and find out for himself the reality of Christ.

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I happened to meet, while visiting a Jewish family, a Rabbi from out of town, one of their relatives, who came for a visit to the city. While staying with them he had learned from one of the children that they occasionally attended our meetings. He became restless and worried to

know if they had accepted Christ and were baptised and he demanded on every occasion to know the whole secret. After I was introduced to him he persuaded me to tell him the secret. I quoted, "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him," Ps. 25:14 and instead of the secret of the family's conversion, I entrusted him with the secret of the cross as revealed in Isa. 53. While proving to him this blessed truth he interrupted me several times; saying, "I didn't ask you about that," and again, "Do you mean to convert me? Never, never in your life! You must know that Isaiah and all other parts of the Old Book originally belonged to us. In the ages when persecution arose, we left all the riches we possessed behind us, but not this Holy Book. How do you dare to touch strange fire? Do you know what happened to Aaron's two sons for bringing in strange fire?" (Lev. 10:1-3). Oh, didn't he get hot, just like a fire! I quieted him down a bit and made it clear that Jesus was not "strange fire," as He was one of our own and came to His own. (Matt. 10:5-6.) "Nonsense," he said, "they and you should rather go to the Samaritans and other Gentiles. They need it, but for Heaven's sake, leave us out of it; we don't need it, we can do without it." "I don't believe so," I said, reading to him Jer. 23:5-6 and emphasizing verse six. This seemed to appeal to him, the fire disappeared and he calmly said, "Who knows?"

#### Causes for Rejoicing.

By MISS A. E. SUSSDORFF.

"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Psa. 126:6. This promise has been truly fulfilled to us these past weeks. One woman whom I visited for the first time more than a year ago, has at length given herself fully to Christ and has been buried with Him in baptism. At first her husband strongly opposed her coming to the Mission, but prayer and patience won the day and your gifts of clothing and money were a great help, for when the awful days of no employment and no food come then is the time to show the love of Christ and the blessed news of salvation finds lodgement as at no other time. I gave the husband a New

Testament and he too now believes that Jesus Christ is his Messiah.

There is another man, whose wife is a strong believer, who has just recently overcome his opposition to the Mission and for the first time attended the Sunday evening service. I have had a talk with him and his wife pleads with him and shows him from the prophets that Jesus is the Messiah, and God, true to His promise, is leading him out.

One Saturday morning, I visited a very interesting home. As I entered, I asked how the little girl was who had come to our Dispensary for treatment. So I was invited to sit down and when I offered a tract that opened the conversation. Two women were in the room and one said, "Why, isn't it funny. We were just talking of your Mission when you knocked at the door." "What do you think of the teaching of the missionaries?" I asked. "Well," one woman said, "I love the Christian religion. Do you see this picture?" and she pointed to a picture in one of our daily newspapers, of Christ in a shadowy form bending over a number of wretched children going to a factory to work. The expression of love and pity on the face of Jesus touched their hearts.

The other woman said, "I certainly like the Christian religion and I attended the Mission when I was a little girl. I remember learning a verse like this: 'Unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given. His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.' I heard that many years ago. It must be true and I am coming to the Mission often."

So the work goes on. The time is short, the King's business requireth haste, for the night cometh when no man can work. Whatever you are going to do for the Mission to the Jews, do it now.

#### Tests of Faith.

We are glad to report that the attendance at Sewing School on Thursday afternoons has been increasing during the past two months, but we are conscious that the devil is still a living personality and active in trying to destroy the Lord's work. His power has been particularly noticeable in trying to keep our Brownsville

girls from attending school, but we are thankful that he has only partially succeeded. When it was discovered in a Brownsville Public School that some of the girls were attending a Mission Sewing School, some very zealous teachers made a public example of these girls and threatened them with all sorts of punishment if they didn't leave us at once. Some of the girls were badly frightened and have not come near us since, but others were more bold and stood up for their rights and said their mothers were willing that they should attend and they would continue. The school physician called on one girl and threatened her vigorously, but she invited him to go with her to the Mission and find out for himself what was taught. He quickly declined and said that we made the children kiss the cross at Sewing School and then paid them for so doing!

The next Thursday afternoon, a man was sent over from Brownsville to watch the girls who came out of Sewing School, but we were apprised of the fact and kept the Brownsville girls in late, sending them home another way, under escort of the teachers. So the devices of wicked men have been brought to nought, but we realize the need of much prayer over this situation that the wrath of man may be made to praise the Lord and that these few girls who have the opportunity of hearing the truth, may not be hindered from receiving it. Brownsville is a very bigoted, needy section of this city without any mission or Gospel witness in it and it sorely needs our prayers.

Among the older girls of our Evening class, steady work continues. The attendance is good and during the meetings we always have quiet attention, but we long for real heart-hunger after the Lord and His word. Pray that they may be awakened to a sense of their need.

—ELLA T. MARSTON.

#### JEWISH NOTES.

Distressing rumors and reports have been published in the Jewish newspapers concerning the awful sufferings of the Jews in Palestine as a result of the war. Many thousands of Jews left for Egypt where they are in a pitiable condition. Those that could not escape and are still in Jerusalem are facing starvation. Some reports had it that the Arabs were permitted to usurp the Jewish colonies, driving out their possessors and rightful owners. These colonies were started and maintained by the Zionists who took great pride in their flourishing condition. Those Jews who have been against the Zionistic movement have now taken up that old trite saying, "I told you so." The Zionists however have not been daunted by the sudden destruction of the colonies, neither discouraged by those opposing them. They say that while the colonies have been destroyed, Zionism is alive and the spirit of it will never suffer any loss. Even if nothing has been left they will soon restore all.

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There is a great variety of opinion among Jewish leaders and rabbis as to how to arrange for a committee to represent the Jews all over the world at a World Congress when the war comes to an end. The questions are, how can the Jews all over the world come to a perfect agreement as to who shall be their representatives, what they shall say, what resolutions and arguments they shall place before the Congress, shall they plead for possession of the promised land, for a government of autonomy, or shall they first demand emancipation and equal rights for the persecuted Jews in the various countries. The Jewish newspapers are at variance and the rabbis differ greatly in their opinions and advice. One prominent rabbi in New York, Margoliouth, advises that at the World Congress, nothing shall be said with regard to the rehabilitation of the Jews in Palestine, the petition shall merely be for equality of rights

for the Jews in barbarous countries. He explained this by the fact that the promised land is still owned by another power and is not yet at the disposal of the representatives to be at the World Congress. He illustrated this by Gen. 13: 7, "and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelt then in the land." Abraham and Lot could not dwell together in that land on account of their substance which was great and there was strife between their herdmen. The Scripture hints briefly at the wise words Abraham uttered to Lot. As much as to say, "and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelt in the land. They are the owners, they possess it and if we strive as to which of us two has the right to the land, it might do us harm. The owner of the land might punish both of us, saying: 'What right have you to quarrel over my land?'" That is why the apparently unnecessary remark "and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelt in the land," is introduced there before Abraham uttered his request to Lot. "This," continued the rabbi, "is the way we Jews now have to act. We should not fight or say anything about the land as long as it is in the possession of others, because it might do us more harm than good." Another rabbi delivered a sermon in his synagogue in which he entirely opposed the Zionist movement. Recently, when a little hope sprang up in the hearts of the Zionists this rabbi sent out a discouraging note by saying openly that he is against Zionism. To quote his words, "I have only one nation, I am an American." Thus, these conditions have revealed to us the great confusion that is prevailing among the poor Jews at this time, when they naturally should be united and working for the same cause in unison and harmony. If they were disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, they would all with one accord look up to their Saviour and ask in the words of the first disciples of Christ, "Lord, wilt Thou at this time restore again the Kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1: 6.

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Question: *Will you kindly look up the account of the death of Judas Iscariot, relative to hanging himself and the other of jumping off a building to death? Give me the original Hebrew testimony.*

—A. C. CANFIELD.

Answer. You refer to the two apparently conflicting accounts of Judas' death. Matt. 27: 5, has it: "and went and hanged himself." In Acts 1: 18, we read: "and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out." Both these particulars are true. The account in Acts is supplementary to that in Matt. After he had hung himself, his body fell from some height. It nowhere says that he jumped off a building.

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Question: *Can you tell me where the ten tribes are? Please read the 37th Chapter of Ezekiel 20th to 28th verses, then please answer my question.*

—MRS. HENRY INGLE.

Answer. You have touched the most remarkable curiosities of literature. So many attempts at identification have been made by various writers that this whole magazine could not contain them. Some identify the Japanese, others the North American Indians, still others the whole Teutonic race with the ten tribes. The Scythians appear in history at the same time, and nearly in the same place, as the ten tribes removed by Shalmaneser. Several other strong arguments have been adduced to support this identification. Some Bible students think that with the captivity of the ten tribes the distinction between Israel and Judah was ended. When Judah was carried off to Babylon, 133 years after Israel had been carried away to Assyria, the Babylonian Empire reigned over Assyria. Ezekiel with the other exiles was carried away to the district of Gozan, one of the same parts to which the ten tribes were taken. The prophecy

of Ezekiel 37: 20-28, then began to be fulfilled in part and will be fully and wholly fulfilled at Christ's coming. The ten tribes began then to realize that their only hope was the promise of God to the house of David and when under Cyrus, Judah returned to Jerusalem, large numbers of Israel went with that tribe and they became one people. See Ezra 7: 7.

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Question: *In St. John 14: 6 Jesus said unto him, "I am the way." Therefore taking Christ and the Word as our guide which day should we keep, the Sabbath or Sunday?*

—WM. MONTGOMERY.

Answer. While the observance of the Sabbath implies the recognition of the creator of the universe, it was at first exclusively given to the Jews, as a sign between God and His people, the Jews (Ex. 31: 17) that as God set apart the seventh day for a purpose, so He set apart that people to be unto Him a peculiar people (Ex. 31: 13). Also Deut. 5: 15 expressly says that the Sabbath is a memorial of the deliverance from Egypt. On the strength of this Scriptural truth the ancient rabbis went to extremes and taught that a Gentile is not allowed to observe the Sabbath. But God opened the way for all non-Jewish people, through His word, Isa. 56: 2-5, to take hold of the Sabbath, promising a great blessing to any stranger observing it. This, however, is optional and not binding. We cannot judge or condemn or dictate to any one as to which day to keep. Read Acts 15 where it is recorded for us not to lay burdens upon a follower of Christ. If the Holy Spirit leads an individual or a whole church to observe the Sabbath, happy are they, for they have God's promise. But they must beware against judging others.

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| Elizabeth Hepburn, package children's clothing; Mr. Ridgeway, parcel of men's clothing and toys; Star Missionary Circle, valentines; Mrs. L. A. Curtis, ladies' clothing; Mrs. J. S. Bailey, shoes, rubbers and underwear; Dr. Roe, clothing; Mrs. L. J. Ball, lady's suit; Mrs. I. L. Stone, material and two basted dresses. |      |       | 16574 | 1.00  | 16669      | 2.00   |       |
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