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## Salutation

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

*My dearly beloved friends:*

My prayer for you is that during these weary days, eclipsed by the world conflict, your confidence and faith in the coming King may be strengthened and invigorated. Beholding the things which God has recently wrought, may you let the Holy Spirit testify of you as of Israel of old, "They have seen the goings of my God my King." Psal. 68: 24. Amen.

### The Ground for Stronger Faith

No sooner did the October issue reach you than the news flashed across the seas that the entire promised land was wrested from the Turk by Great Britain who has promised to give it to the Jews. One of our brethren upon hearing the news remarked, "This is another step of our coming King." That reminded me at once of the Psalm quoted above. It gives an account there of most of the wonderful periods in the history of Israel. First the deliverance from Egypt, then the march through the wilderness, the time of the judges, the building up of the kingdom of Mt. Zion and the great victories under David. In all these wonderful events the people of Israel saw the hand of God and therefore took courage and increased in faith and confidence. Thus the Holy Spirit testifies that "they have seen thy goings, O God; even the goings of my God, my King, in holiness (literal). Psal. 68: 24. When we consider the events of the past year we can also see plainly the goings of our great King. We can see with our spiritual eyes His personal coming not very distant. We can hear, as it were, the thunderings of His chariots and we can take these movements or goings of our King as the bed rock upon which our faith can be established as never before.

### The Worldling Versus the Christian

The world does not look at these things the way the Church of Christ does because it thinks that everything runs according to civilization and natural causes. Although the world has been disappointed many times, still it likes to explain away God's workings in the natural way. When God brought Israel out of Egypt, He worked many miracles, for any thinking man could have seen that it was a physical impossibility for a people of slaves, poor, weak and ignorant to escape from such a mighty monarchy as Egypt was at that time. Even if that could be done it was another impossibility for them to undertake a forty years' journey in the wilderness. Balak who did not want to recognize God, said: "Behold there is a people come out from Egypt," Num. 22: 5, meaning that the people themselves came out without God. But what does the Holy Spirit say through Balaam, "God brought them out of Egypt." Num. 23: 22. The world, again, cannot or will not see the wonderful work He did in bringing back the captivity of the Jews from Babylon. Any other nation conquered by a strong enemy as the Jews were by the mighty monarch Nebuchadnezzar, would have been readily assimilated until there was no memory of them left, but the exiled Jews were not absorbed and lost among the Chaldeans but returned, a distinct and separate people as they ever were before the captivity. This too was against the trend

of human nature. The world saw in it a natural process because Cyrus issued a decree to that effect but the children of God understood and discerned God's hand in it and thus they, as well as we, observe in that also the movements and the goings of our God, our King. About 1,900 years ago the Temple at Jerusalem was destroyed and its very foundation was razed. Jews were sold into slavery and killed by the millions. Those that escaped death or slavery were forbidden under the penalty of death to ever re-enter their fatherland. Mighty Rome minted upon her coins "Judah is lost," and every thinking man must have admitted that there was no more hope for any restoration of the Jews to their home. Now whoever has heard or seen or read of a nation expatriated, that has been scattered and peeled, robbed and killed, shattered and distributed unto the four corners of the earth, thinking again of re-entering their homeland which they have not seen for nearly two thousand years. Yet this impossibility has become a reality in the case of the Jews. Isn't it an anomaly? Can we not see in it the goings of our God, our King, who promised that "he that scattered Israel" will regather them and for the express purpose of causing them to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and King as pointed out in the last issue of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE?

#### One of the Present Miracles

Some writers have expressed their thoughts on the present attitude of Great Britain in proclaiming the restoration of the Jews. They insinuate there is nothing more in it than the proper step toward the satisfying of a world's craving for the national rights of every people. If Belgium, Serbia and Roumania, etc., are to have their homeland and autonomy and independence, why should not the Jews have theirs? The same national instinct is the guiding star in this movement and creates in them the desire of being a separate race and a nation all by themselves. We do not deny this principle underlying the present attitude of the world toward racial ideals but how did it come to pass? Was there not before the war a strong sentiment all over the world for cosmopolitanism? Was there not all over the world a tendency to denounce any conception of groups of nations? Was there not a united understanding of a coming fraternity of all men? Up to the time when the present war started, the nations were ready to disown their special features of nationalism and place all in one melting pot of humanity. Did they not even invent a language which was supposed to be used by all on this earth? But behold suddenly and unexplainably there sprang up a new sentiment among the peoples which has overthrown all the previous ideas. Every group of people pushes its racialism to the front. No matter how small the nations are all of them want independence, all of them have banners and flags which they want to display everywhere, everyone of them wants to retain their own customs and distinct language. Who has made all this change, who has caused all this new feeling in the hearts of the people? There is but one answer; the Lord has done it in order to prepare the way for the Jews to regain their promised country. It seems to me that this also was foretold in Isa. 11: 12. As I had occasion recently to go through certain streets, my eyes saw a mixed multitude of flags displayed by men and women in a parade in New York. I thought to myself, "Why are there all these flags, so many in number and so new in existence?" Then there came to my mind, from the above mentioned verse, the following words, "and he shall set up a flag (literal Hebrew) to all nations and thus shall he assemble the outcasts of Israel and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth."

#### The Assurance of Hope

How encouraging it is to thus consider the goings of our God and our King, the Lord Jesus Christ, who has been waiting for the conversion of Judah that He might complete His plan of the ages. And if we can see God's hand and His mighty arm working now so wonderfully, haven't we an added reason for dependence on the firm foundation on which we base our confidence and faith? These things will also strengthen us, as nothing else, in the assurance that the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is at hand.

Sincerely yours in His service,

LEOPOLD COHN.

#### EDITORIAL

**The Armies of Heaven.** Owing to a large amount of material, we omitted in the last issue, the usual reference to the anniversary of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE. Twenty-three years ago last month we published the first number without a single subscriber to help it on its mission. Now there are thousands of earnest Christians who not only welcome it into their homes, but consider it one of the best magazines in this country. Kind words of appreciation of this little paper come to us almost daily from our many friends in all directions. While we do not believe in boasting, and therefore seldom publish those kind expressions, however, for the sake of an illustration, please indulge with me in quoting here the following extracts from two letters which reached us just before writing this. "I have learned from THE CHOSEN PEOPLE more than from all the sermons I ever heard in all my life." Another, "For me it has thrown light on passages that were formerly dark and meaningless to me." A striking feature of this mission has been for many years that Satan who is in this world, has been marshalling his agents and all the forces of the underworld to destroy both this Gospel work among the Jews and this little paper with its messages to Christians. Satan does not like it at all. If we were his, he would love his own, but because we are not his, but the Lord Jesus has chosen us, therefore he hates us. John 15: 18, 19. But as the Lord showed Elisha's servant that the armies of heaven were on the mountain in chariots of fire round about Elisha, 2 Kings 6:17, so 'has he opened our eyes and enabled us to see that the power of God surrounds this Gospel work on every side. Thanks be to God our Lord Jesus Christ for His armies of heaven. We praise and bless His Holy name for showing us more and more that "they that be with us are more than they that be with

them." (verse 16). God grant that you, dear friends, may improve your opportunity of co-working with this mission on a larger scale so as to enable us to extend its sacred operations.

**Gone to Her Reward.** Another one of our dear friends has been called away from this world of turmoil and confusion to be with our loving Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. Mrs. H. C. Phelps who has been a staunch friend of this mission for many years passed away September 21st, at the age of eighty-three, saying to her husband, "Goodbye, Henry, I would like to stay with you a little while longer, but God knows best, it would not be but a little while." In passing away she commenced to sing two verses of the hymn "There's a land that is fairer than day and by faith we can see it afar." We extend our deep sympathy to Mr. Phelps, and thank God for such a beautiful Christian life as this handmaid of God has lived. "She being dead yet speaketh," because she left \$1,000.00 for this Mission which will be blessed of God and under His guidance and direction will go very far in the service of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Toward an Education.** Within the last few months, we have become much interested in a Hebrew Christian young girl who has been helped and stimulated by our literature and correspondence. After getting somewhat acquainted, she wrote us about her desire to secure an education, so that she might become a medical missionary. We of course, were most interested, and finally told our young sister that we would contribute five dollars a month toward her expenses at college.

Should any of our friends wish to relieve our treasury of this drain, and to enjoy the privilege of contributing directly for a personal object we would be glad to put them in touch with our sister.



## INCIDENTS IN THE WORK

## Two More Baptisms

Monday evening, October 21st, we had the privilege of baptizing two Jewish converts, 28 and 30 years of age, respectively. One of them is married, and has four small children. His wife is not a believer in Christ, and is very much opposed to his faith. He has always paid most remarkable attention to the preaching, and because of this, his presence at our meetings could not escape the speaker's notice. A few weeks ago as I came down from the platform at the close of the service I went straight to him and asked whether he believed in the Lord Jesus Christ. He readily answered in the affirmative. We had a conversation for some time, during which I found out that the brother was a true follower of our blessed Saviour. He showed a knowledge of the New Testament, and was fully able to give a reason for his faith in Christ. I then asked him whether he wanted to carry out the commandment of the Lord Jesus Christ to be baptized. To this he answered that he had seen us baptize converts many times before, and that he had been thinking of following their example, but did not have the opportunity. But now he said that he wanted to be baptized as soon as I could arrange matters. I told him that he must first come before the brethren on a Monday evening when they meet for prayer and testimony, and they would question him and then vote upon our accepting him as a member of our little church. He did so, and the brethren questioned him, the answers which he gave were convincing, and it was unanimously voted to receive him into our fellowship. After his baptism, he came in to our meeting which had not yet closed, and told us some of his experiences. He said that he had attended our meetings some years ago. He was

almost persuaded at that time, but having moved out of town for several years, the little conviction that he had became weaker and weaker. About two years ago he moved back to this city, and passing by the Mission building, a desire was created in his heart to resume his visits to our meetings. As he listened to the preaching week after week, he said that his former convictions were enlarged and strengthened, until he finally became a new creature through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He said that he was glad that he had gone through baptism and he proposed now to live to the honor and glory of Christ.

The other candidate for baptism was also an earnest young man who knew a good deal of the Bible, and had for some time visited our meetings. During the act of baptism, as I questioned him concerning his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, his face literally shone. I was almost startled as his face lighted up so remarkably, and I thought of Stephen of whom it is said that they "saw his face as it had been the face of an angel." Acts 6:15.

## A Rabbi's Daughter Converted

The Jewish mind and heart are so thickly covered up with the rubbish of superstition concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, that it naturally takes a long time for a ray of light to pierce through all that darkness. A man and his wife were noticed for the first time in our meeting about a year ago. We saw them more frequently after some time of their attendance at our gospel services, and then at last they seldom failed to be present. We could not get hold of them and have a talk, as they always left the place very promptly. They interested us much and finally we succeeded in catching them at the close of one meeting. When asked to give their names and address so that some one of us could visit them,

they would not do it. Not long ago they asked if we would allow them to attend our Monday evening meeting which is for converts, as they would like to see what was going on at such a service. After they were given permission, they came one Monday evening and as a result, became more talkative and told the following story: The wife said, "My father was a rabbi in Russia and I was taught never even to look at a church if I could help it. When I heard about you and your meetings, I simply shuddered at the thought that Jews would come to such a place. I was told long ago, that missionaries know magic which the Crucified One taught them. If a Jew comes into their presence, they at once implant a cross upon their arm in some mysterious way and then that Jew is claimed by them forever. I thought I would ask some of those who frequent your place of worship whether there was any truth in that story, and I was told by several of them that there was not such a thing as a cross in your place. I at last ventured to come into one of the meetings on condition that my husband accompany me, so that I would be sure of some protection. How surprised we were when we saw a plain building without any cross. Then when we heard the preaching for the first time, we said, 'Now is this not strange that we have not known of this place before? Why this is just the right kind of a house for us to enter and to stay in as long as they allow us to. My father educated me in Hebrew and I know the Bible, and am therefore in a position to judge of this preaching which is better than that of many rabbis in the synagogues. But then a thought came to my mind, 'Perhaps they do that work of crossing and magic in their private meetings on Monday evenings,' and so we wanted to come and see it with our own eyes, but when we found godly men and women gathered together, praying and speaking, we

were altogether subdued and we now believe in the Messiah, Jesus the Christ."

## Our Converts at the Lord's Table

At our last gathering at the Lord's supper, on the first Sunday of the month, we were specially encouraged by a number of the testimonies of our converts. It has been our custom ever since we began to spread the communion table for the members of our little church to end the sacred memorial of our Lord's death with testimonies. One of the believers, a woman of faith and power in prayer, told us of a neighbor to whom she had been talking about Christ. Although feeling friendly toward this sister, the neighbor does not like to have her talk to her about the Saviour. During the epidemic of Spanish Influenza, she expressed great fear. But this sister told her that she was never afraid of any evil, because the Lord Jesus who is the creator of all things is with her. The neighbor kept on with expressions of dread of this disease and told her that she was not so much afraid for herself as for her little girl whom she accompanies every day on her way to school to keep her from coming in contact with other children, and thus prevent contagion. To this the sister replied that she does not need to watch her daughter when she goes to school. "I asked my girl whether she was afraid of influenza and she told me, 'No, mamma, I am not afraid, because Jesus is with me and He will keep me from catching it!'"

Another convert who is one of our deacons testified to the power of salvation through the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, which keeps on working in his heart, and in that of his family, bringing them day by day into closer fellowship with God. He said that when he thinks of some of the converts who have either unbelieving wives or husbands thus being heavily burdened for the souls of their dear

ones, his heart is filled with gratitude to God for His goodness in having created full harmony in his family. His wife and three older children are worshipping the Lord Jesus Christ daily. The joy of salvation in his heart compels him to talk to other Jews whom he meets in his daily work. His son, a boy of about fourteen, also rose and testified of the Lord Jesus Christ having saved him and read a few verses from the gospel of Matthew. These and a number of other testimonies were greatly appreciated by all present who thanked God and took courage.

#### Explaining Christianity

How sad it is that a feeling of race prejudice still exists between Jew and Gentile, and often comes to the surface when some trifling incident provokes it. It is very difficult at such times to make the Jews realize the difference between Christians and unsaved Gentiles. Such a situation confronted me at the close of one of our Friday evening meetings when a number of Jews called my attention to the death of a Jewish girl in New York, who, they said, had been killed by Christians. They asked how I could advocate such a religion to any Jew.

The incident was as follows: In a "block party" in New York, a Jewish girl of thirteen years of age, hung in her window the Zionist flag. Some unruly young men ran up to the room from which the flag was unfurled, and tore it down. The girl naturally struggled to preserve the flag, and in the melee she was so injured, that she died as a result. The funeral was held on October 31st and was the largest that New York Jewry has ever witnessed. Thousands of Jews crowded the street where the girl had lived many of them hanging on window-sills and fire escapes and standing on roofs. A number of rabbis eulogized the girl and denounced those lawless Gentile lads who had been the cause of her death. Over a thousand

Jewish girls dressed in blue and white followed the coffin, and many tears were shed for the girl's mother who was lying critically ill.

"Now," said those Jews to me, "Is that what your Christian religion can do for us Jews?" I had to explain to them for some time that crimes by irreligious and irresponsible people, who know not God, made good material in Satan's workshop to stiffen the necks, harden the hearts and blind the eyes of my people all over the world and render their attitude one of hate towards Christ. I reminded them that there are nowadays Jews who commit murder, as well as Gentiles. Neither can be used as examples of those who know God and His Christ. A Christian, I showed them from present facts, does not have anything but love toward all mankind, especially toward the Jews who are the brethren according to the flesh of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, after a long talk they were pacified and promised to begin to study the New Testament.

#### By Miss A. Sussdorff

This dreadful epidemic that is sweeping through our land, has visited our fold and taken one of our little lambs, Katie P,— a girl of almost thirteen years, the eldest of three children. After she had been ill two days she said, "Mother, won't you tell Miss Sussdorff to pray for me? I pray and pray, but I don't get well." I went to the home as soon as I knew the child was ill, and knelt by her bed and prayed with her, and she whispered, "Thank you, Miss Sussdorff." When I called the next day she was not able to speak. I prayed again with the family, and leaned over and whispered in her ear, "Katie, Jesus is with you. You trust Him, don't you?" She opened her eyes for a moment and looked her answer. I know she believed in Him who went with her through the valley of the

shadow of death, and at six o'clock that evening she passed away.

Her father is not a believer, but has come to some of our meetings. Last year Katie wanted to be baptized with her mother. She asked her father's permission. He picked up a big strap and said, "Come here and I will baptize you with this." At another time she pleaded, "Father, why don't you believe in Jesus, mother does and I do, won't you?" The help this Mission has given them at this time has touched the father's heart, and he said he would come to our meetings. Relatives and neighbors were afraid to go to their home, because of this dreadful disease, but the hated missionaries came in and helped. We have Christ to take care of us. This family needs your prayers.

In another home, the mother is a believer and has been baptized; her husband is not, and the man by whom he is employed did not think he was a Jew. He is very dark and looks like an Italian. This employer visited their home one day and said to him, "Jack, how came you to marry a Jewess?" So this little woman spoke up, "Even if I am a Jewess, I love the Lord Jesus Christ." She began telling him things written in the New Testament and how the Jewish prophets foretold of the Messiah. The man was astonished. He said, "Mrs. L.—, you make me feel ashamed, you know more about my Testament than I do. I will have another talk with you."

In another home that I visited, I found the mother ill in bed, a little son, also ill, and a daughter just able to be about. As we talked of things that we both love, she raised her pillow and had her Testament under it. "I keep it there, so I can have it handy to read," she said, "And I have been studying the Scripture regarding baptism, and I want to testify about some of those things on Wednesday." Her daughter also had her Bible and

was reading it. As I was leaving, the mother said, "God protect you from danger." At the mothers' meeting, she gave a sweet testimony of the joy she felt after her baptism. And other mothers also gave testimonies of the joy experienced after baptism, hoping to help a woman who is a believer, but weak, and said she could be a better believer if she did not follow Christ in baptism. Another woman is waiting to gain the consent of her husband, that she may be baptized. Pray for this family.

#### By Philip Englander

While visiting, I went into a Jewish laundry, the owner of which is an outspoken Anarchist and a follower of their leader, Emma Goldman. Upon my inviting her to our meeting, she invited me to her meeting of anarchy and infidelity, to which I remarked, "How can you, a child of Abraham, be an anarchist, denying the Creator, when you yourself are a witness of the true and living God?" Two of the three women standing near by applauded my argument, but the third one gave me a sharp look, saying, "And how can you a child of Abraham believe in Jesus and even make others believe in Him? Mrs. L. surely is not right in her anarchistic ideas, but are you right with your ideas?" I answered, "Absolutely, but pardon me, those are not my ideas, but God Almighty's, who tells us in His book of Jesus, the Saviour of the world." "What," she exclaimed, "Mr., be careful with your statement. I am a rabbi's daughter. If there is anything of that kind in the Bible, my father, a noted rabbi, would have known it." Taking a diamond ring from her finger, she said, "You are welcome to this valuable ring if you can show me that in the Bible." "Never mind the ring," I said, and quoted Micah 5:1 as the place of the Messiah's birth and Gen. 49:10 as the time of His coming and Isa. 53 the result of His



coming, all of which have been absolutely fulfilled in Christ Jesus. Then before leaving, I asked her, "Can you show me another person born in Bethlehem, a son of David, living in the time of the second temple, who was crucified and pierced for our sins?" This argument impressed her, and the women looked at each other as if to say, "We surrender."

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I found the mother of a family whom I wished to see, with several of her neighbors in the hallway of their tenement discussing some topics of the day. One of them, a great Zionist, boasted very much of the present Zionistic movement which, however, leaves out God from its leadership. I remarked that such a movement will never bring safety even in our own land, quoting Jer. 23: 5, 6, that only through the righteous branch of David, Jehovah our Righteousness Himself, shall Judah be saved, and Israel dwell safely, making clear to them who it is that can save Israel. Upon this, she immediately replied, "You don't mean to say that Jesus is the one?" "That is exactly what I mean," I said, "because only He has paid the price for our safety," quoting Isa. 53:5. "The chastisement of our peace was upon Him and with His stripes we are healed." Here another woman joined in, "Isn't it a fact, she said, 'that Christ's agents have always tried to destroy Israel instead of saving? Look at Pharoah of Egypt, or Haman of Persia, and many others.'" "Not at all," I answered, "Pharoah and Haman lived long before Christ, and couldn't be His agents. Christ's agents must obey the orders of their master to love the Jews as He did, even to laying down His life for them." Isa. 53:8, "..... for the transgressions of my people was he stricken." My hearers showed great anxiety to read Isa. 53 for themselves. Two were remark-

ably touched and greatly interested in their soul's salvation.

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One evening after a meeting, an intelligent Jew was so interested in the Gospel of Christ, which he heard that night, for the first time, that he accompanied me all the way to my home and even asked to be allowed to come up and speak more fully on the subject of Jesus the Messiah. I did so, and we spent until nearly midnight enlightening him of the truth. Many questions were asked and answered, and before leaving when I wished that the Holy Spirit would lead him to become a child of God through Jesus, our Messiah, he answered, "I think the Holy Spirit has done the job already," and left, rejoicing over the things he heard that evening. He needs sincere prayers. Would you, dear Christian friends, remember this earnest inquirer in your daily prayers?

By Mrs. M. W. Randolph

During the past few months two of our boys stopped attending the boys' club which meets on Saturday mornings for an hour of sociability and games, and closes with a Bible lesson, prayer and singing.

I called at their home and found that their father is a socialist. The boys had been telling him the Bible stories they had learned here and he forbade their attending the Mission. Their mother had become interested in what the boys had repeated of the Gospel story, and had attended the evening meetings and began to see the light. When the father heard of this also, he became greatly enraged and tried to persuade her there is no God. He forbade her to allow me to call again. But God had a strong hold on the mother's heart and she has been coming off and on to the evening meetings.

Two weeks ago their five children were stricken with Influenza, and the doctor told them there was very little hope. In his trouble, the father said if God would spare his children he would allow his wife and boys to come to the Mission, and he would come too. The mother met me and begged me to come to their home. I went and talked and prayed with her, and the great joy and light of salvation came into her soul, and her children are all restored to health again. The father is greatly touched by the way God answered our prayer, for his children, and I feel assured that before long he will become a believer also.

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A woman who used to attend the meetings here, became angry at the workers, because she was late in reaching the Mission two years ago to go on an outing. She would not attend any meetings and talked against the Mission, she told me, to everyone. But I called one day and talked with her and left a tract. The next time I called, she would not admit me, said she had no time to talk. I prayed for her, and last week called again, and she told me she was sorry for the way she had acted and had read the tract I had left, over and over. She asked me for a New Testament, and promised to come again to the meetings. It pays to hold on to God in secret prayer for the discouraging cases.

#### Harry Burgen's Report

The readers of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE will remember one of our staff, Mr. Harry Burgen, who now is in the service of our country. In his new surroundings, Mr. Burgen still has many opportunities to preach Christ, and has distributed many tracts, especially to the Jewish boys in his Company. Some of his tracts were destroyed by

those wishing to annoy him, but he keeps on faithfully urging his comrades to believe in Christ.

One day a rabbi called on his Sergeant, saying that he wanted to get the Jewish boys together and keep in touch with them. The Sergeant suggested that he see Mr. Burgen, who, he said, "is frequently talking about the Bible." The rest of the story is told in Mr. Burgen's own words as found in his diary:—

Tuesday, June 11th, 1918. Exercise in the morning. Worked till noon time. Reported to the Top Sergeant about my need of going to Brooklyn for a supply of tracts. Was very anxious to go, and even had my coat on, but something kept me, so I obeyed that still small voice and stayed in my room. All of a sudden the First Sergeant sent for me. Didn't know what had happened. When I went into the office, I found a man whom the Sergeant introduced to me as a Jewish rabbi. He told me that he has a congregation in the city and has come to unite the Jewish young men and to help them in any way possible, by giving them social times, etc. So I had a blessed opportunity of confessing Jesus Christ before him. Brought him up to my room, told him of my faith in Christ and how I found Him, and, Oh! how strangely he looked at me, and how disappointed he was hearing all this. His only question was, "Are you earnest? Are you earnest? If so, I give you credit." While we were having our conversation, two other Jewish young men came in, and of course I introduced them to him, and he soon asked whether these boys believed in Christ, too, and whether there are more in the same place that believe in Christ? I told him, not that I know of, but I have spoken to a number of them about Christ. Turning to one of the boys he asked him, "Do you agree with his ideas about Christ?"—pointing to me—and to my surprise, the young man answered, "Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ."

He was again greatly disappointed. He didn't say very much after that, but wished to have a conversation with me in regard to my faith in Christ. I gave him some tracts.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 1. *Is Divine Healing for the present day?*

Question 2. *Explain "the league of nations" and what it has to do with Bible prophecy.*

Question 3. *Was Christ rejected by Jews only or by Jews and Gentiles?*

Question 4. *Was He crucified by Jews only or by both Jews and Gentiles?*

—MRS. MARIE ARTHUR.

*Answer 1.* Most assuredly. God has not changed. "For I, Jehovah, am thy physician." Ex. 15:26. The Lord Jesus who healed all manner of diseases is alive, having the same power of healing. However, a child of God, led by the Holy Spirit to use a human physician in certain cases is not to be blamed, if he puts his trust in God first. King Asa was rebuked, in 2 Chron. 16:12, "because he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians," for the help of creatures must always be employed with reliance on the Creator, without whom the most skillful physicians are valueless.

*Answer 2.* It is to prepare the way for the rule of Antichrist. Rev. 17:13, speaking of the Beast having ten horns, meaning the ten kingdoms under his reign, corresponding to the ten toes of the image in Daniel 2, which are to develop before Antichrist comes, says: "These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast." As in the time of Nimrod, the originator of the corrupt system of rebellion against God, the people were all united to give him all the power of sovereignty, so at the consummation of that system, the people will be leagued and united in order the better to facilitate the enthronement of the beast over the whole union of the ten kingdoms which will soon come into existence.

*Answer 3.* The Lord Jesus, while on earth, in His human dress and form, was rejected by the Jews only, according to the Scriptures. Matt. 21:42. Luke 17:25, Acts 4:11. The rejection by the Jews was turned by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, to the benefit of the Gentiles. "But rather, through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles." Rom. 11:11. The reason for this proceeding is given in the following clause, "for to provoke them (the Jews) to emulation." The succeeding stage of that proceeding is that the Gentiles who received

the light by the blindness of the Jews shall turn around and bring that light to the Jew. What a great responsibility is that of the Gentiles! If they reject it, how great is that rejection!

*Answer 4.* While the actual killing of Christ's body was executed by the Romans, the Holy Spirit charges it to the Jews. Acts 2:36, 3:15; 4:10; 7:52.

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Question 1. *Will some Gentiles be saved after the Church is caught up?*

Question 2. *Amos 8: 11 and 12. When will that be?*

Question 3. *Amos 9: 11 to end of Chapter. Does that refer to the Millennium?*

Question 4. *Also Joel 3: 9, 10.*

Question 5. *Also verse 18. When will that be?*

—LEA A. CAUFMAN.

*Answer 1.* Yes, while the wicked will persevere in their wickedness, very many will be saved during the tribulation of God's judgments. "When thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness." Isa. 26:9, also Daniel 12:8-10. Rev. 6 shows that there will be great conquests made by the One on the white horse, with a crown and a bow. It refers to the Lord Jesus, the righteous and crowned King, whose word will conquer many during the judgment time. Prophecy foretold this by saying: "The bow will be made quite naked, even thy word." Habakkuk 3:9. Rev. 7:9, "A great multitude—clothed in white robes," refers to the saved ones during the tribulation.

*Answer 2.* This prophecy was fulfilled. The Jews used to resort to their prophets for counsel when in difficulties, but now since the destruction of the temple, they have no prophets, even in all the holy land. It is also a forecast of the scarcity of the word of God during the falling away of many and specially after the Church is taken up.

*Answer 3.* Yes.

*Answer 4.* This prophecy refers to the great battle of Armageddon. Rev. 14: 14-16, also Rev. 16:14; 19:19, also Joel 2: 9-12.

*Answer 5.* The great blessing of peace and prosperity will be enjoyed during the millenium.

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Meetings are held for adults, and for children. A Medical Department is maintained to assist the poor Jews. The Poor Fund enables us to relieve the distress of deserving Jews and to give a practical demonstration of Christian love. The Literature Fund is used to purchase Hebrew Bibles and Testaments and to print tracts in Jewish. Mr. Cohn has written seven Jewish tracts himself which have been used of God to the conversion of many. A complete schedule of all the varied activities of the Mission, of which the foregoing is but suggestive, will be found on page 2.

Our method is that of Paul, "To the Jew I became as a Jew." Our testimony is that of *Jews to Jews*. Mr. Cohn himself was formerly a Rabbi. Under God's wonderful guidance and mercy, the Williamsburg Mission to the Jews has grown and developed in a remarkable way. We earnestly covet

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## JEWISH NOTES

The first week of October when the news came that the brave troops of Great Britain had swept practically the whole country of Palestine clear of the Turk, the Zionists of Greater New York held enthusiastic meetings to celebrate the victory. There was rejoicing in Zionist circles all over the city. This signal event has made it clear that the object of establishing in Palestine a national Jewish homeland will soon be achieved.

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Dr. Weizman, the head of the Zionist Commission to Palestine upon his return from Jerusalem to London, reported in detail concerning the general situation in Palestine and that of the Jews in particular. He had much to say about the Jewish colonies there. He highly praised the heroism of the Jews who did not give up their colonies under the terrible persecution and awful dangers they had to face from the inhuman Turkish military officials. They endured all these things in order to rescue their colonies from utter ruin. Dr. Weizman also reported that the spiritual condition of the Jews in Palestine is very good. The study of Hebrew has been set back during the war owing to lack of Hebrew teachers, nevertheless Hebrew is the predominating language. The doctors and nurses of the American Medical unit which was sent out by the Zionists have been compelled to learn Hebrew in order to be able to speak to the Jewish people who refuse to speak any other language than Hebrew. Even the English officers learn to speak Hebrew.

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The activities of the Zionists are increasing in various directions. Realizing that the work of restoration must be done by the whole Jewish people the Zionists have started a campaign to invite every loyal son and daughter of Israel to participate in the movement by becoming members

and thus be entitled to an equal voice in Zionist affairs and so make Palestine a democratic land.

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One of the leading Jewish editors discovers a fulfillment of one of God's promises in the recent drive against the Turks in Palestine which resulted in the signal success of ridding nearly the whole of the promised land of Turkish rule. A part of General Allenby's army had to be sent to the Western Front and in their places fought the soldiers of the Jewish legion. The editor goes on to say that the soldiers of the Jewish legion brought the final salvation and showed in this final drive that the spirit of the Maccabees has not died out, but has suddenly come to life again. In the law of Moses, Lev. 26: 8, God promised that, "Five of you shall chase an hundred and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight; and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword." Napoleon with his great army could not take Acco (situated on a promontory at the foot of Mt. Carmel) after a siege of two months, but the Jewish soldiers in the last drive took it easily.

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Referring to the Jewish troops fighting with the British army in Palestine, the same editor remarks, "Jewish legionnaires from England and America are on the battle front in Palestine. Since the days when Bar Kochba fought so valiantly for the homeland no Jewish soldiers have battled to free Eretz Yisroel (Palestine) from the alien conqueror. As the Jewish troops rushed into the battle we can fancy the shade of Judas Maccabeus and the spirit of Bar Kochba leading them on. Hail to the Jewish troops!"

Bar Kochba was one of the many false Messiahs who succeeded in misleading the Jews. His attempts were made in the last year of the Emperor Trajan and the beginning of the rule of Hadrian his successor. It was an

unfortunate affair, for it ended in the death of not only Bar Kochba himself, but in the slaughter of the Jews en masse. When the remainder of the Jews experienced bitter disappointment in this false Messiah Bar Kochba, which literally means, the son of a star, they called him Bar Kozba, which means, the son of a liar. The great rabbi Akiba whom that generation considered their greatest leader applied to Bar Kochba that great prophecy, "There shall come a star (Kochab, in Hebrew) out of Jacob," etc. Numbers 24: 17. Agreeing with this prominent rabbi the Jewish public accepted and followed Bar Kochba as their promised Messiah and great deliverer.

It is so sad to see an intelligent Jew like this editor glorying in the spirit of Bar Kochba, or as they rightly call him Bar Kozba, the son of lies, and ignoring entirely the true Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ.

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According to the reports in the leading Jewish papers it has been discovered that the wealthy Jews of London, America, France and Italy, have conspired against Zionism and have been seeking to influence and cause the British Government to recall its promise to give Palestine to the Jews. At the head of this conspiracy they say is Major Lionel de Rothschild, of London. He called the wealthy American Jews to start a campaign against the rehabilitation by the Jews of the promised land. Based upon his request the American Jews started a movement for a Conference to be held the end of October. One

of the reformed rabbis, Rev. Dr. Philipson, invited many prominent Jews to that Conference. Mr. Jacob Schiff and Louis Marshall refused to join them on the ground that such a conference would be in opposition to the American Government and to the Allies. Consequently, the planned conference has been suspended. Still their work of opposition to Zionism is being carried on quietly.

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Rabbi Louis Grossman, a member of the faculty of the Hebrew Union College, in an article, wrote as follows: "Zionists are shouting their Hatikvah, while the East Side of New York is surging with vice, and the Zionist Press Bureau is flashing press despatches and Zionist agitators are flooding Congress with interviews and endorsements, while thousands of young Jews face death without the comforts and assurances of their faith."

The Orthodox Jewish papers denounced him for these sentences as a foul slanderer. They say, "The East Siders whose sons are shedding their blood on the battlefield are the people who have bought fifteen millions worth of Liberty Bonds, who have gone over the top in the War Savings Stamp drive and who have contributed liberally to the Red Cross Funds. The East Side is not vicious, but the man who says, 'The East Side of New York is surging with vice.' We have said on another occasion that what the Germans are to the world, namely Huns, these reform rabbis of the Cincinnati School are to the Jewish people—Huns. We reiterate that."

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